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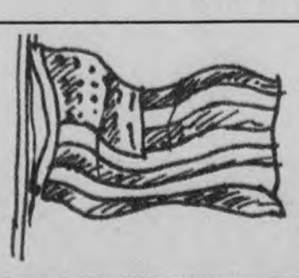

Plan your week with *The Bucknellian*'s new events calendar.

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ISR enhances information access

By Matthew Ellis
Opinions Editor

Over the summer the University's Information Services and Resources (ISR) made many changes to improve the network and Internet capabilities of the campus.

Four of the major changes are the addition of a new library catalog, Webmail, a new e-mail server and a new virus protection system.

"The new library catalog system is powered by the SIRSI Corporation's iLink software, which will provide the campus with access to the library's collections, allowing ISR to provide additional services via its catalog, such as a table of contents service, electronic renewal of books and quick cross references to related materials," said Isabella O'Neill, librarian and reference services program manager.

The new system differs from the previous system in that it allows students to complete more complex searches for more specific items. Some examples of the capabilities of the new system include the ability to sort search results by author, title, subject, relevance and publication date; display subjects related to your search results for easy cross reference; save or mark catalog records and e-mail or print selected catalog records.

"Migrating to new library catalog software provided by the SIRSI Corporation has allowed ISR to continue to provide to the campus a library catalog that is able to keep pace with modern technological developments," O'Neill said.

The new Webmail server provides students with a different option for checking their e-mail and gives them the ability to check mail when they are not on campus.

"Typically, Webmail servers are more user friendly and more people are familiar with how to use them," said Roberta Sims, University webmaster.

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—Isabella O'Neill, Reference Services Program

The biggest advantage to Webmail is that it allows students abroad to check their University e-mail accounts.

"We have received great response from students abroad. All they need to do is log on to any Web browser with their user name and password and they can check their e-mail from the University," Sims said.

The Webmail feature is much more popular than was expected, but students and faculty still have the opportunity to check their mail like they were previously able to. Webmail simply provides a useful alternative.

"The only disadvantage to Webmail is that you cannot have as many messages sent to your account," Sims said.

The University has also upgraded its e-mail server this year to be faster and have more storage capacity.

"We replace systems like this every three years, and it was time for this server. One cool aspect of the larger capacity is the fact that mail can be more easily left on the server. This is an important feature that was a prerequisite for the web mail server," said Eugene Spencer '76, associate vice president of ISR.

Many students may believe that ISR has blocked all MP3 servers. The internet system that the University uses prioritizes certain types of traffic in order to manage the internet connection—because MP3s are mostly for entertainment purposes, they are not given precedence over other types of traffic.

"At the very start of the school year, everyone has extra time to use recreational computing. The internet connection is fairly congested at the

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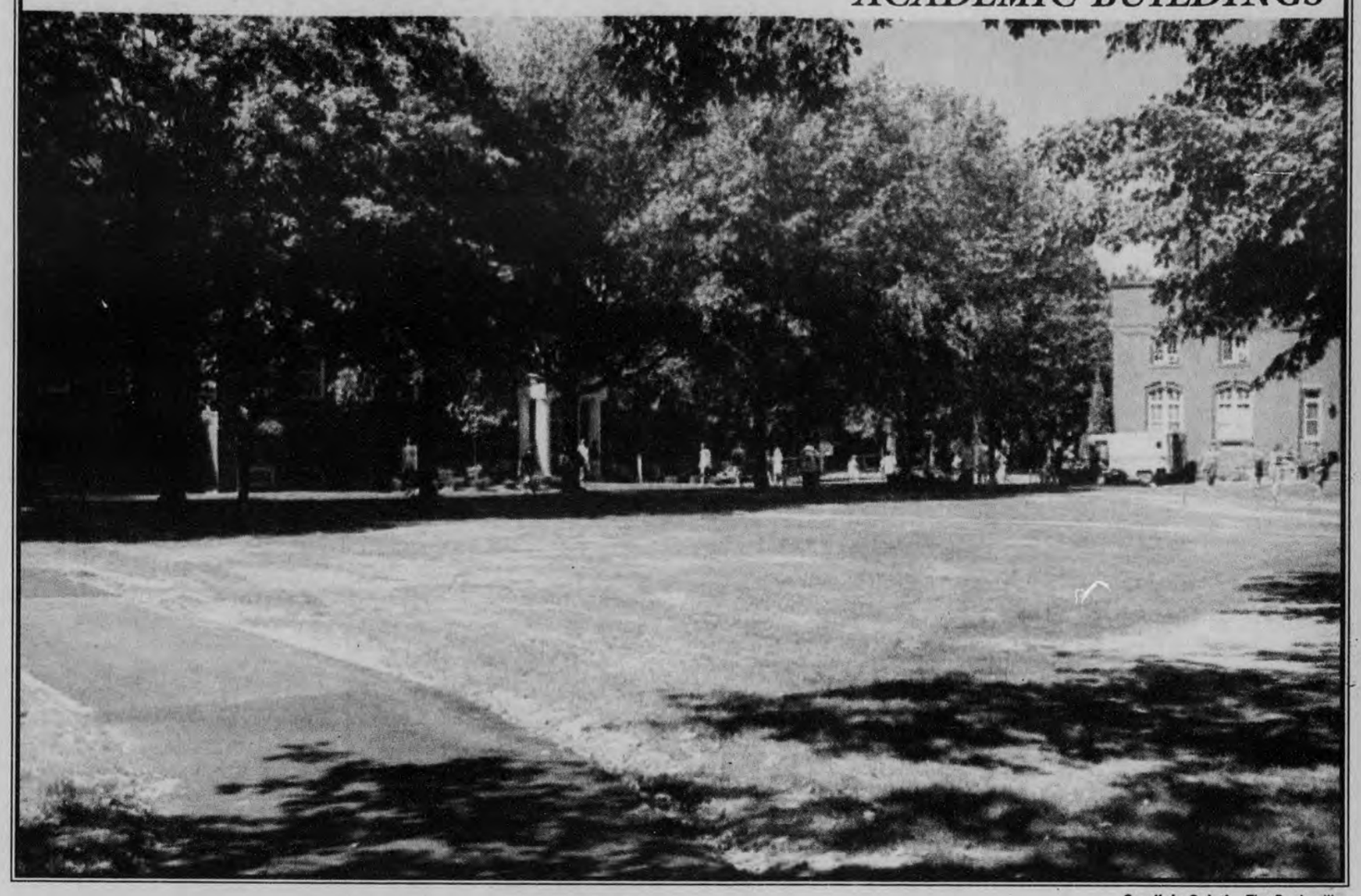
Wide Open Spaces: *New quad unites academic buildings*



Sandi-Jo Galati—The Bucknellian

University to honor author Morrison

By Alyson Walker
Features Editor

Author Toni Morrison will be awarded the first Janet Weis Fellowship in Contemporary Letters by the University on Oct. 17. The evening will include dinner, followed by a public lecture by Morrison in the Weis Center for the Performing Arts.

The Janet Weis Fellow in Contemporary Letters is funded by the Degenstein Foundation to honor Janet Weis through the University. The Janet Weis Fellowship in Contemporary Letters will be a University award given annually to "honor and recognize an individual who represents the very highest level of achievement in the craft of writing within the realms of fiction, non-fiction or biography," according to the description of the endowment.

The description states that the Fellowship will be awarded to an author "whose work has been accessible to a wide audience and has resulted in a broadly-based record of public recognition and appreciation."

Morrison embodies this description. She is the first and only African-American woman to win the Nobel Prize in Literature (1993) and has received multiple other prizes in literature, including the Pulitzer Prize in 1988 for the novel *Beloved*.

"Who better to begin this award with than Toni Morrison? She has all the credentials—a Nobel Laureate, a Pulitzer Prize, as well as being a popular, readable and academic author. We could not have found a better inaugural recipient," said Gary Sojka, professor of biology.

Morrison is a National Humanities Medalist, awarded in 2000 by former President Bill Clinton and sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities. She is also the Robert F. Goheen Professor in the Council of the Humanities at Princeton University and has held this position since 1989.

Morrison's visit will be a privilege for the University as well as an incredible educational experience for the entire community.

"It is a great honor for Bucknell to begin our new Janet Weis Fellow in Contemporary Letters series with such an important and profound figure in contemporary American writing," said John Rickard, chair of the English department.

Morrison's work appeals to scholars and students of many different departments, including English, women's and gender studies, African-American studies and other groups and organizations on campus.

"Toni Morrison is one of the most important novelists in the world today. Her books explore the intersection of history, language and consciousness and her art pushes beyond the limits of language as those limits have been constructed by a racist society," said Glynis Carr, professor of English and faculty member of the women's and gender studies program. "Thematically and formally, her work is transformative, startling and gorgeous."

Morrison was selected not only because of her academic stature, but also because of her widespread appeal to people and effect upon literature.

"When they gave her the Nobel Prize, the Swedish Academy praised Toni Morrison for the 'visionary force and poetic import' and the 'epic power' of her writing," Rickard said. "Her novels are among the most read and most discussed books in our country and indeed in the world—the opportunity to hear this powerful voice in person is a special treat for the University community."

Students are also eagerly anticipating Morrison's arrival at the University.

"As a student and researcher of contemporary women's literature, I am looking forward to Toni Morrison's visit to the University," Courtney Spohn-Larkins '03 said. "One of the reasons I admire Morrison's work is that she not only writes about women and racial issues, but she then critiques and challenges the literary environment in which we read about these issues."

Spohn-Larkins also believes that Morrison will be an inspiration and a challenge to the community to explore beyond previously accepted values.

"Her presence on campus can only succeed in further challenging students to seek out the truth. In addition, I believe her visit will aid in the campus' vision for intellectual and social diversity," Spohn-Larkins said.

The lecture will be free. Tickets will be required, and more information on obtaining them will be made

Uptown to begin hosting alcoholic events

Fourth friday of each month set aside for 'pub nights'; first night to be Sept. 20

By Jennifer Jenchura
Senior Writer

In an effort to encourage safe and responsible activities, Uptown will be providing alcoholic beverages to students over 21 on select Friday nights this semester. The first night is scheduled for Friday, Sept. 20 and future semester dates include Oct. 25 and Nov. 22 between the hours of 9:30 p.m. and 2 a.m.

Upon entrance to the upcoming "pub nights," University students over 21 must present a valid ID that will be checked against the registrar's list. Students will receive wristbands with three tabs for the night. Each tab will be removed by bartenders and are good for either one beer, glass of wine or soda. On these nights only University students will be allowed into Uptown, as opposed to other nights during the week when students can bring one non-University guest.

If the pub nights are successful in the fall they will continue into the spring semester.

"We want everything in place to give this new idea its best chance," said Kari Conrad, associate dean of students.

Due to age restrictions, mostly seniors are expected this semester with more juniors in the spring.

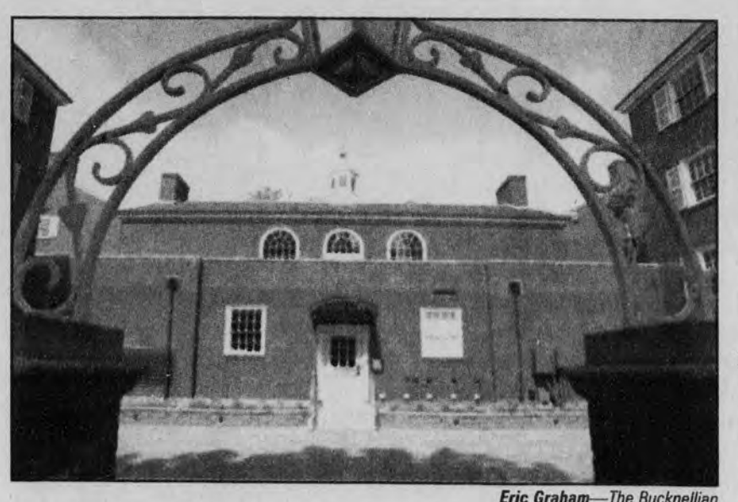
"If it works, the idea is to keep the fourth Friday of each month as Uptown 'pub night,' said Carolyn Strickland, associate director of campus activities and programs.

After nearly a year of discussion on the subject, the administration decided to commit to "giving the idea of serving alcohol at Uptown a go and see how it works," Conrad said.

Uptown has evolved the past few years largely based on student suggestions.

"Ever since Uptown opened, upperclass students have said it was a good nightclub environment, but they would also like to be able to have a beer there. None of us are opposed to consuming alcohol, just as long as it is in moderation," Conrad said.

Uptown is not permitted by law to sell alcohol and neither Uptown nor the University is currently looking into applying for a liquor license.



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Beginning Sept. 20, Uptown will begin hosting one alcoholic event per month. The decision comes with the approval of several deans as well as University President Steffen Rogers.

Also, Uptown is not considering moving to a BYOB policy for any events.

"We are not looking to compete with any local establishments or senior nights and I don't think we will. On a limited basis we want to be able to provide a safe, hang-out place central to campus," Conrad said.

Most likely there will also be a plain-clothes Public Safety or security official on hand as well as the regular staff.

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The Bucknellian won first place in the Best of Show contest at the Associated Collegiate Press (ACP)/College Media Advisers Conference in August. Competing against 30 other weekly college newspapers, *The Bucknellian* won the award for general excellence.

According to ACP Executive Director Tom Rolnicki, the newspapers are judged for overall coverage, quality of writing and editing and strength of the editorial page. Quality of design, photography and graphics are also considered.

Ian Newman, current board of directors member of the ACP and current newspaper adviser at SUNY, Rockland, was a judge in the Best of Show contest. "The paper responded very well to the needs of the readership, covering campus activities well, and having a good balance of campus, local, regional and larger issues," Newman said.

News

Public Safety Log

Tuesday, Aug. 27

ALCOHOL OVERDOSE/MEDICAL TRANSPORT—Public Safety responded to the bridge near Harris Hall for the report of an unconscious, intoxicated student. The individual was transported by ambulance to Evangelical Community Hospital emergency room for treatment and later returned to campus. The student will be charged with underage drinking and public drunkenness.

INFORMATION/SUSPICIOUS INCIDENT—An employee reported that unknown person(s) may have tampered with his office computer. The incident is under investigation.

Wednesday, Aug. 28

VANDALISM TO A VEHICLE—Public Safety responded to Harris Parking Lot for the report of a student's vehicle wrapped with orange fencing by unknown person(s). The fence scratched the vehicle. The incident is under investigation.

HARASSMENT BY COMMUNICATION—Two students reported receiving nuisance phone calls for three days in their Taylor House room. Lewisburg Police Department responded and charges will be filed against the suspect.

MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT—A student reported to Public Safety that another vehicle backed into his car, causing minor damage but no injuries. East Buffalo Township Police Department was notified.

Thursday, Aug. 29

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—Public safety responded to Roberts Hall and found that unknown person(s) activated a pull station for no reason. The incident is under investigation.

MEDICAL ASSIST—Public Safety responded to the Fieldhouse for the report of a knee injury. The student was transported by a friend to Evangelical Community Hospital emergency room for treatment and later returned to campus.

Friday, Aug. 30

INFORMATION/MISSING PERSON—Public Safety responded to Harris Hall for the report of a campus visitor who was missing. University officials assisted in locating the male, who was returned to his sponsor's room.

UNIVERSITY PROPERTY DAMAGE—Public Safety responded to Harris Hall for the report of a broken window. Glass fell on a student who was standing outside of the building. No injury resulted from this event. A student admitted to breaking the window while he was attempting to kill a bee.

Saturday, Aug. 31

ALCOHOL OVERDOSE/MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A call was received by Public Safety requesting an escort for a semi-conscious, intoxicated female. Upon arrival, Public Safety determined the student was under the age of 21 and needed medical treatment. An ambulance transported the individual to Evangelical Community Hospital emergency room for treatment and the student later returned to campus. The student was charged with underage drinking and public drunkenness.

POSSIBLE SEXUAL ASSAULT—Public Safety responded to Vedder Hall for the report of an intoxicated student. Friends agreed to watch over the student for the remainder of the night. Later, a University official notified Public Safety that the student may have been sexually assaulted. The Sexual Assault Survivor Advocate was notified and spoke with the individual, who denied the allegation. The complaint was determined to be unfounded.

MISSING PROPERTY—A student reported to Public Safety that the microwave had been removed from Leiser House. The incident is under investigation.

HARASSMENT BY COMMUNICATION—A student reported to Public Safety that she had received two harassing phone calls from an unknown person in her Vedder Hall room. The incident is under investigation.

MEDICAL ASSIST— A student contacted Public Safety and reported a swollen foot, possibly caused by a bee sting. The individual was transported by a Student Health Services driver to Evangelical Community Hospital emergency room for treatment and later returned to campus.

Sunday, Sept. 1

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—Public Safety responded to a Swartz Hall fire alarm activation. Unknown person(s) had activated a pull station on the third floor. The incident is under investigation.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT—A student reported to a Public Safety that he overheard a group of students at Vedder Hall stating they were looking for another student to cause him harm. A full investigation was conducted on all individuals involved. University charges were issued.

MEDICAL ASSIST—Public Safety and Lewisburg Police Department responded to Vedder Hall for the report of a student who threatened to harm himself. The individual requested treatment and was transported by ambulance to Geisinger Medical Center and was later released.

ASSIST POLICE—Public Safety responded to the intersection of RoUTe. 15 and Moore Avenue to assist Lewisburg Police Department and East Buffalo Township Police Department with traffic control for a motor vehicle accident involving a student and a non-University affiliated male. The vehicles were damaged but the drivers sustained no injuries.

MEDICAL ASSIST—Public Safety and University officials responded to Swartz Hall to investigate the report of a student who was treated at Student Health Services and transported earlier to Evangelical Community Hospital emergency room for further treatment of self-inflicted wounds. This female was later admitted to Geisinger Medical Center for observation and then released.

Monday, Sept. 2

MEDICAL ASSIST—A student contacted Public Safety and requested transportation to Evangelical Community Hospital emergency room for treatment of a rash. A Student Health Services driver responded and drove the individual to the hospital. The male later returned to campus.

MEDICAL ASSIST—Public Safety responded to the Fieldhouse for the report of a student suffering an asthma attack. The female refused treatment and was transported by Public Safety to her room where she medicated herself to control the asthma. Two friends agreed to observe the student's condition throughout the night.

MEDICAL ASSIST—Public Safety responded to the Langone Center for the report of an employee with an injured foot. A Student Health Services driver transported the individual to Evangelical Community Hospital for treatment.

Tuesday, Sept. 3

MISSING PROPERTY—A student reported to Public Safety that she lost her cell phone somewhere on lower campus. A report was filed for insurance purposes.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—Public safety responded to McDonnell Hall for the report of an unconscious student due to a medical condition. The female was transported by ambulance to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency room for treatment and later returned to campus.

Public Safety Notice: Joggers on public roads

Bucknell's Office of Public Safety has been receiving complaints from automobile operators and pedestrians concerning joggers and athletic teams that frequently use River Road, Smoketown Road, Stein Lane and other public roads on or near campus. A problem arises when these persons or groups travel two or more abreast on a public highway using part of the road. Automobile operators who approach these travelers must slow down and stop, or drive in a wide berth around them. When joggers or athletic teams do not yield the right-of-way to an automobile, the following can occur: if the automobile slows down or stops, it risks being struck in the rear by an automobile traveling in the same direction; if the automobile attempts to travel around the jogger(s) on the road by entering into the opposite lane, it risks being struck by another automobile traveling in the opposing lane. And of course, there is always the danger of the automobile striking the persons who are in the middle of the road. All these situations are especially dangerous on hills where visibility is limited.

Public roads are built for the use of licensed motorized vehicles and these vehicles have the legal right-of-way. Others have the right to travel on these roads as long as they do not impede traffic or create a safety hazard. Police officials have advised us that for safety and liability reasons arising from past incidents, they may begin to issue traffic citations to persons who fail to yield to automobiles on public roads or who create a traffic hazard while using public roads. I offer a simple solution which should enable us to avoid problems. When a vehicle approaches, joggers should form a single line, temporarily move to the shoulder of the road, and yield the right-of-way to traffic. Likewise, automobile operators should always drive in a safe manner, with a regard for joggers and other persons on the highways. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated and will make for safe traveling for everyone.

Vincent DeCerchio,
Director, Department of Public Safety

University and community prepare for Sept. 11 anniversary

Commemoration is planned for 5 p.m. at Rooke Chapel

By Sandi-Jo Galati
News Editor

Nearly one year ago, the University community united on the Academic Quad in support of one another and the nation. As the anniversary of the tragedies of Sept. 11 approaches, the community is again preparing to unite in remembrance of those lost and to focus on the future.

"We need to remember the people who died and the trauma that was caused on a worldwide basis and never turn our backs to it, but we must also move forward," University President Steffen Rogers said.

The official University observance, titled "9/11/02: Remembrance, Reflection, Renewal," specifically focuses on assisting the community in remembering the tragedy while positively approaching the future.

"The University has adopted 'Remembrance, Reflection and Renewal' as the theme for the ceremony because we need to do more than remember and reflect, we need to renew—and along with that I believe we need to move on with a new commitment to do what is right," said Kyle Tice McGee '04, co-president of Rooke Chapel Congregation (RCC). "We should treat everyone in the world as we wish to be treated; it is a lesson we should take out of the horrible tragedy which occurred that morning.'

Rogers is particularly emphasizing renewal, challenging the community to examine its values and encouraging continual transformation in its appreciation of diversity.

"We do need to remember and look back on that day, but we do not need to do it with fear," Rogers said. "We need to do it with an eye on the future and then decide for ourselves what we can do to live our lives a little differently, to try to make a difference on a person by person basis that will hopefully spread throughout all of our cultures."

The observance will commence with the ringing of the chapel bells at 8:47 a.m., the time when the North Tower of the World Trade Center was struck. At this time the campus is encouraged to pause for a moment of silence in remembrance of last year.

"One of the main things that people should be aware of is that they will experience emotions remembering that day and other painful days from last year," Rabbi Serena Fujita said. "People should ride those feelings; they are normal and healthy."

The campus community is invited to join in a ceremony coordinated by the Office of Chaplains and Religious Life at 5 p.m. in the Rooke Chapel garden. This ceremony will include a performance by the Rooke Chapel Choir. Faculty, staff, alumni and students will read reflections and readings. Concluding remarks will be given by Professor of Biology Gary Sojka.

During the ceremony, the University's Student Emergency Response Volunteers (SERV) will give a presentation honoring the emergency workers lost in the rescue effort.

Pictures, poetry and presentations commemorating Sept. 11 adorn the Rooke Chapel Meditation Chapel, which will be open all day for the community to gather and reflect. In addition, materials will be available for visitors to add their own thoughts and reflections.

"People should find a way to express their grief in a concrete way, either writing, drawing, attending the service or something to communicate their feelings and channel them in a positive way," Fujita said.

The campus religious organizations will also be conducting individual services. There will be a Protestant candlelit vigil at 10 p.m. at the amphitheater between McDonnell and Swartz Halls.

Hillel will be holding a Ma'ariv, a regular evening service that will include speaking about the victims of the tragedy. The service will begin at 10 p.m. at the Berelson Center for Jewish Life.

Catholic Campus Ministry (CCM) will be commemorating the day with candlelit Mass at 10 p.m. in the Chapel Garden.

"WHAT DOES THE LORD REQUIRE OF THEE BUT TO DO JUSTLY AND TO LOVE MERCY AND TO WALK HUMBLY WITH THY GOD"
MICAH VI:8
Class of 2002
September 11, 2001

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The University will host several events on Sept. 11 to commemorate the anniversary of last year's terrorist attack. Shown above is the 9/11 memorial dedicated by the Class of 2002, located outside of Rooke Chapel.

O'Leary Center anchors new uphill look

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Opening its doors for classes this fall, the O'Leary Center for Psychology and Geology is the cornerstone of the new uphill quad. Though the back lawn of the Biology Building was conceded to provide space for O'Leary, the loss was more than made up for with the addition of a park-like area in between the Dana and Olin buildings.

News

World Briefs

Compiled by Andrew Burr
Courtesy of MSNBC.com

Attacks spark chaos in Afghanistan

KABUL, Afghanistan—In what appeared to be a day of coordinated attacks on Afghanistan's fragile government, President Hamid Karzai survived an assassination attempt Thursday by an Afghan security guard. A car bomb that exploded in the heart of the Afghan capital reportedly killed at least 22 people and wounded dozens.

Arabs unify against attack on Iraq

CAIRO, Egypt—Arab states have resolved to stand together against any U.S. attack on Iraq, while calling on Baghdad and the United Nations to resume dialogue on weapons inspectors and other issues, Arab League foreign ministers said Thursday on a second day of talks in Cairo. The public Arab solidarity came a day after President Bush began a campaign to rally the congressional support he needs to remove Saddam Hussein from power, adding that he wants that support by the end of October.

U.S. to try letting pilots carry firearms

WASHINGTON—In a major policy reversal, the Bush administration is on the verge of announcing that some U.S. airline pilots will be allowed to carry guns in the cockpit on a trial basis, NBC News has learned. Meanwhile, flight attendants on Thursday asked Congress to force airlines to provide them with better self-defense training.

World Trade Center flag is missing

HACKENSACK, N.J.—The American flag that was raised by three firefighters over the wreckage of the World Trade Center, one of the most enduring images of Sept. 11, has disappeared. After it was removed from the site, the flag was believed to have been flown on U.S. ships serving in the war in Afghanistan, then returned to New York City officials in March. But the flag that officials preserved measures 5 feet by 8 feet. The flag the firefighters raised on Sept. 11 measured 4 feet by 6 feet, according to its original owners.

Earth Summit ends in discord

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa—The much-heralded Earth Summit II ended in acrimony Wednesday, with environmentalists heckling U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell and nations disagreeing on what was accomplished. The extremes ranged from Australia's proclamation of an "absolute success" to the "dialogue of the deaf" label given by Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez.

Man contracts HIV twice

SWITZERLAND—Swiss researchers have documented a rare case of a patient contracting a second HIV infection years later with a different strain of the virus. Doctors once assumed that patients' natural immunity would keep them from getting the virus more than once. However, researchers Thursday described the surprising case of a 38-year-old man who acquired a second strain through unprotected sex more than two years after he was first infected.

Settlement reported in church abuse suits

BOSTON—Civil lawsuits brought against the Boston Archdiocese by dozens of people who claim they were molested by a defrocked priest could avoid trial under a tentative settlement. Cardinal Bernard Law's attorney said Tuesday the Roman Catholic archdiocese and alleged sex abuse victims of John Geoghan have reached a provisional $10 million settlement.

Senate panel rejects judicial nominee

WASHINGTON—The Senate Judiciary Committee, in a strict party-line vote, rejected Texas Supreme Court Justice Priscilla Owen for a federal appeals court seat Thursday, handing President Bush a second major defeat in his efforts to put more conservatives in key judgeships.

Cuomo quits New York race

New York—Hobbled by poor poll numbers and a testy performance on the campaign trail, former Housing Secretary Andrew Cuomo quit the New York governor's race Tuesday and threw his support to the man with whom he has had a bitter rivalry, Democratic state Comptroller Carl McCall. Cuomo said that in the interests of party unity he'd decided to not broadcast negative ads that could have enabled him to beat McCall.

University alum and former *Bucknellian* Editor-in-Chief Bob Streeter '38 passes away

By Jim Leahy
Senior Writer

The Bucknellian lost one of its strongest supporters this summer while the presses were silent. Robert E. Streeter '38 passed away in Danville on Saturday, June 22 from complications following surgery. He was 85.

Streeter was a member of *The Bucknellian* advisory board that provides the newspaper with a direct link between the Editorial Board and the faculty, staff and administration of the University. He was a member of the board for many years.

"Bob was a gentleman of the 'old school,'" Professor of Biology Gary Sojka said. "He was a true intellectual with wide-ranging interests. We will certainly miss his presence on *The Bucknellian* advisory committee. I enjoyed listening to his keen observations based on years of experience and witnessing his genuine affection for students that showed itself in a well-seasoned tolerance stemming from a realization that college students are 'works in progress.'"

Bucknellian Adviser Jim Lee added, "Bob was the epitome of an academic—well read, well traveled and insatiably curious. Some of my fondest memories of Bob were his funny stories about his days as a *Bucknellian* editor. It was clear that the students he worked with at *The Bucknellian* appreciated his often irreverent sense of humor and they all knew that he cared deeply about them."

Streeter was born in Williamsport in 1916 and graduated summa cum laude from the University with an B.A. and honors in English as a member of the class of 1938. He did his postgraduate work at Northwestern University, receiving masters and doctoral degrees. He also held an honorary doctorate of humane letters that was awarded to him by the University in 1960.

During his undergraduate career, Streeter served as editor-in-chief of *The Bucknellian* and as the president of the Student-Faculty Congress.

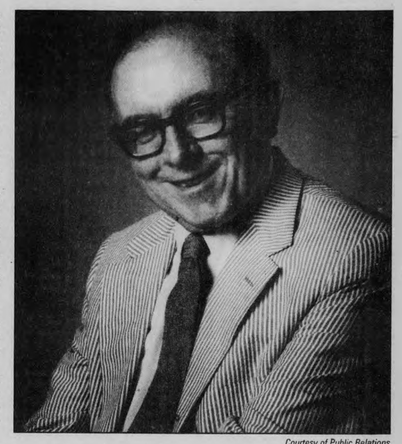
His involvement at the University did not stop following his graduation. He served as president of the Bucknell Alumni Club of Chicago, represented the University at the inauguration of four college presidents, received the Bucknell Association Award for Outstanding Loyalty and Service to Bucknell in 1995 and served on the Board of Trustees from 1966 until his death.

Streeter was the University's commencement speaker in 1969 and he returned to teaching here in 1988 when he took the position as the Phi Beta Kappa Visiting Scholar.

In addition, Streeter was the editor of *Now and Then: A Sesquicentennial Miscellany*, a collection of essays for the sesquicentennial celebration that the University had in 1996.

The career of Bob Streeter took him to many places. He served as a member of the editorial staff of the *Williamsport Sun-Gazette* from 1942-47 and was the American adviser to the English department at the Seoul National University in South Korea. He was named a visiting professor at the University of Chicago in 1947 and became a full professor in 1958. While at the University of Chicago, Streeter was associate dean of the undergraduate college in 1953 and became dean in 1954. He was also appointed dean of the division of humanities in 1963 and again in 1968.

In an article that appeared in the *Chicago Sun-Times* in June, the present dean of the graduate division of humanities at the University of Chicago credits Streeter with taking "the first steps toward what today is described as globalization and diversity." He finished his 39-year career in Chicago as the Edward L. Ryerson Distinguished Service Professor of Literature.



Courtesy of Public Relations

Bob Streeter's involvement in University affairs did not stop after he graduated in 1938. In later years, he served as president of the Bucknell Alumni Club of Chicago, sat on *The Bucknellian* advisory board and was the University's featured speaker at the 1968 commencement ceremonies.

Bucknellian makes staff and production changes

Melissa Karmondy—The Bucknellian

The fall semester *Bucknellian* editorial board poses for a photograph. They are (front row from left to right) Sandi-Jo Galati '04, Josie Cetta '04, Suzie Lee '05, Rachel Laskow '03, Jolene Hart '03, (middle row) Andrea Dill '03, Andrew Burr '04, Michelle Dombeck '05, Cecily Cairns '04, (back row) Alyson Walker '04, Aaron DeRosa '03, Matthew Ellis '05, Jason Rubinstein '04 and Kristi Johnston '03. Not Pictured: Gretchen Schrock '03, Eric Graham '05, Josh Fisher '04 and Maureen Oscadal '03.

By Rachel Laskow
Editor-in-Chief

This semester, *The Bucknellian* will see many changes, including the use of the Quark design software program to layout the newspaper and a new staff.

Until now, *The Bucknellian* was produced using Pagemaker. In an attempt to keep up with the publishing world and improve the overall quality of *The Bucknellian*, the Editorial Board used Quark for the first time this week to layout the newspaper.

Rachel Laskow '03 and Jason Rubinstein '04 will continue their roles as editor-in-chief and associate editor, respectively. After spending a year abroad, former features editor Jolene Hart '03 is returning to the newspaper as managing editor, overseeing the features, arts and entertainment and business and politics sections.

Andrew Burr '04 and Sandi-Jo Galati '04 remain news editors. Cecily Cairns '04 and Aaron DeRosa '03 will continue to form the core of the sports section.

After writing consistently for the opinions section, Josh Fisher '04 will fulfill the role of opinions editor. Former Features Layout Editor Matt Ellis '05 will do layout for opinions. Former opinions columnist Gretchen Schrock '03 is joining *The Bucknellian* Editorial Board as business and politics editor. After a semester in China, former Managing Editor Maureen Oscadal '03 returns to the paper as business and politics layout editor.

Kristi Johnston '03 and Michelle Dombeck '05 will continue their positions as arts and entertainment editor and layout editor, respectively. Former Features Writer Alyson Walker '04 and Features Editor Josie Cetta '04 will be in charge of the features section.

Former Copy Editor Andrea Dill '03 will join *The Bucknellian* Editorial Board as chief copy editor. Eric Graham '05 and Suzie Lee '05 will stay on staff as photography editors.

Scott McElhone '03 is starting his second semester as business manager. After a semester in France, Amy Peloquin '03 is returning as the national advertising representative. Michael Langdon-Phillips '05 will be the local advertising representative. Brian Klotz '03 will continue as circulation manager.

Ford Parsons '03 will join *The Bucknellian* staff as production manager. As production manager, he will act as both online editor and systems manager.

News

Danielle Smith '99 to replace Eloiza Domingo as director of multicultural affairs

By Elisabeth Salemme
Writer

Eloiza Domingo, director of multicultural affairs for the 2001-2002 academic year, left the University this summer to pursue a Ph D. in higher education. She has been temporarily replaced by Danielle Smith, who served in the Office of Multicultural Affairs (OMA) last school year.

"Eloiza's leaving seemed to stem from being so young in a place like Lewisburg where everyone in the area that was her age was a student. Her family was so far away that she could just not handle that anymore," said Kellen Smith '03, president of Brothers and Sisters Empowered (BASE).

Smith has been a part of the campus community for more than six years, as she earned her Bachelor's Degree in biology at the University in 1999 and worked with the OMA for the 2000-2001 school year, filling another interim position. During that time, Smith was part of the process that hired Domingo.

"I was born and raised in Milltown, so I am very familiar with this area and a lot of issues that surround it since I am of an ethnic minority," Smith said.

When she heard of Domingo's plans to leave, Smith offered her services as an interim director this year. According to Dean of Students Richard Ferarro, a search for a permanent director for the 2003-2004 school year will take place this year.

"Danielle is great. She has been a Bucknellian so she understands what Bucknell is like and she understands the community. She is a person of very good will," Ferraro said.

> *"As a Bucknellian, [Smith] realizes the importance of the Office of Multicultural Affairs and how we can help impact the experiences that we have here by doing things and having special events on campus."*
> ***—Kellen Smith '03**, Brothers and Sisters Empowered (BASE) president*

The position of director of multicultural affairs primarily involves working with students of diverse backgrounds. The director works a great deal with campus clubs and activities dealing with issues of diversity, as well as with the entire community through speeches and presentations. One presentation that Smith is working on for this year involves a house in this area that was used as part of the Underground Railroad.

Smith is also going to begin diversity training at the University.

"I am looking into training myself to be a trainer to help other students become trainers as well," Smith said.

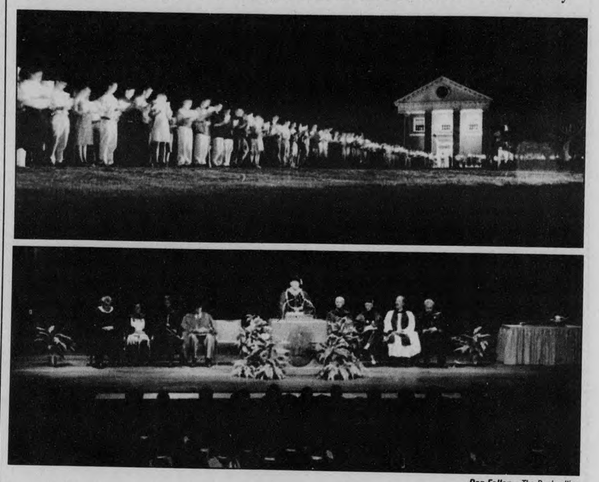
Jaynemarie Angbah '02, who has known and worked with Smith since she was a student at the University calls Smith "a remarkable administrator ... it is apparent that she cares about the students and ujilizes all her resources to help us whenever needed," Angbah said.

According to Susan Zingale-Baird of the OMA, Smith has signed up with all of the email lists of clubs dealing with diversity. Smith also works with the campus Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender group (LGBT), campus international student groups and campus women's studies groups.

"As a Bucknellian, [Smith] realizes the importance of the OMA and how we can help impact the experiences that we have here by doing things and having special events on campus," Kellen Smith said. "She feels that it is very important for us to have all of our organizations so that we all have a voice and that we all have as full of a Bucknell experience as possible."

High hopes for class of 2006

Most selective year in campus admissions history draws largest percentage of racially diverse students for University



Dan Fellon—The Bucknellian

Pomp and circumstance was abound again as another year began at the University. First-year students were formally introduced to their new home at traditional candlelighting (top) and Convocation ceremonies before classes.

By Michelle Dombeck
A&E Editor

With applications for admissions at a near-record high and the acceptance rate at a record low, the Class of 2006 represents one of the most competitive and diverse University classes yet. This class is not only racially and geographically diverse, but also full of potential.

A University news release reports that this year's acceptance rate was a record low of 38.6 percent, with the application pool being the second largest in University history at 7,760 applications.

"The acceptance rate has been moving downward (greater selectivity) since the fall of 1997, when it was 54 percent," said Kurt Thiede, vice president for enrollment management. "During this same time, the percentage of students offered admission who enrolled has increased from 23.7 percent to over 30 percent."

Another admissions record was set this year, with the Class of 2006 being the most racially diverse ever.

"Over 14 percent of the members of the Class of 2006 are representatives of the racial diversity found in our nation," Thiede said. "Our nation is becoming more diverse day by day and the world community is getting smaller. In order to provide the best learning environment possible to prepare our graduates for this diverse workplace, Bucknell must diversify its campus community in all areas."

Geographic diversity, similar to that of past years, is fairly high. According to a University news release, 10 percent of University students are from states in the West and Northwest and five percent are from foreign countries.

"We were concerned about the negative impact Sept. 11 might have on our geographic outreach," Dean of Admissions Mark Davies said. "We're pleased by the response we've received from these areas."

First-year student Rebecca Frimenko was drawn to the University because of its friendly atmosphere.

"When I toured the University, I loved the campus. The feeling I got from the people here was really encouraging and welcoming," Frimenko said. "I miss being at home and the familiar feeling of people I've been friends with for years, but Bucknell is starting to be home."

Thiede has high hopes for the Class of 2006.

"I hope that each and every student in the Class of 2006 realizes his or her full potential. Each student certainly has the ability. And, they are enrolled at a university that offers a myriad outstanding opportunities," Thiede said. "The combination of these two things can produce amazing results."

UPTOWN

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"We want to provide a safe environment but we don't want students to feel that someone is looking over their shoulder," said Strickland.

"A majority of the Uptown staff will be monitoring the first pub night in two weeks. The staff has all been TIPS certified," said Tasha Henderson, manager of Uptown.

The Training for Intervention Procedures (TIPS) programs teach servers, sellers and consumers of alcohol to prevent intoxication, drunk driving and underage drinking.

During these nights all University policies will be followed.

"As always, students who appear visibly drunk will be denied entry," Strickland said.

The decision to allow Uptown to serve alcohol to students of age was well thought-out by University officials. The discussion to permit alcohol at a college nightclub environment began over a year ago. Last spring the University began researching nearby colleges with facilities similar to Uptown. The most comparable school was Gettysburg.

Over the summer, University President Steffen Rogers granted approval for the alcohol served at Uptown.

"So far we seem to be receiving positive feedback and students seem to be excited. [These nights are] a chance for Bucknell students to show they can do this. It's not about getting drunk but having a good time with classmates. Students will hold each other accountable," Conrad said.

"Students will receive emails as the events get closer. There will be free food as well as the usual Uptown menu. We are anticipating a large crowd and hope it will be full and comfortable," Henderson said.

Neither the student activity fee nor the Bucknell Student Government (BSG) can fund the alcohol at Uptown since their funds cannot be used for alcohol. The source of funding is yet to be determined.

The idea for a non-alcoholic space on campus was thought of in 1995. After much research, Swartz Social Space developed into Uptown, which opened in January 2000. Since then it has grown over the past two and a half years to adapt to ideas that exist in the student body.

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ISR

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moment. That will even out later and traffic will flow better," Spencer said. The current internet connection costs roughly $200,000 each year and doubling the capacity would entail doubling the cost. ISR also added a new virus protection system that has been hugely successful.

The new server prevents e-mails with viruses from being sent to campus, from campus, and intercampus.

"The majority of the viruses that get sent around via e-mail just stop right there. On Aug. 26 and Aug. 27, the virus scanner stopped over 8,000 virus files. Those viruses could have done a lot of damage to the campus," said Spencer

Another change ISR has made is that it now requires that all student computers have anti-virus software installed. ISR provides Norton Anti-Virus for free and the Tech Desk can help with installation if necessary.

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News

New IFC Fraternity Rush Policies

On April 16, 2002, the Interfraternity Council (IFC) passed a new recruitment plan emphasizing new policies that are being incorporated into the Fall '02 rush.

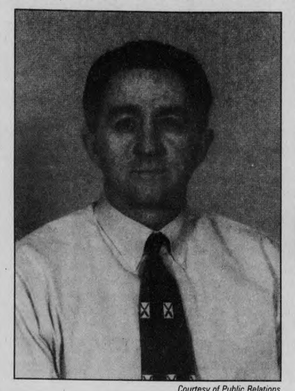
—IFC lengthened the overall length of rush from a week and a half to two and a half weeks to accommodate students celebrating the Jewish High Holy days.

—IFC now requires candidates to visit all 12 fraternity houses twice during round one of rush. Candidates will visit four houses each evening until all houses have been visited and then repeat this process. One evening during round one is reserved for candidates to visit the fraternities of their choice.

—After round one, candidates are required to rank their top six fraternity house choices in order to assist fraternities in determining candidate interest.

Baker departs from Greek system

Newly-hired Shauna Irwin to solely assume Greek duties until Baker's position filled



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Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Former Director of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs Roy Baker (left) departed from the University over the summer to accept a vice president position at Catawba College. Shauna Irwin, hired to jointly manage Greek affairs at the University with Baker, will assume most of the Greek responsibilities herself until another Greek director is hired.

By Andrew Burr
News Editor

A national search has begun to replace Roy Baker, former associate dean of students and director of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs. After nearly six years at the University, Baker left over the summer to join Catawba College as a vice president of student affairs.

Despite Baker's departure, Greek life has not been left without leadership. New Assistant Director for Greek Affairs Shauna Irwin, hired before the University was aware of Baker's future plans, has spent the summer familiarizing herself with both the University and Greek communities. Originally, Baker and Irwin were to work side-by-side this year overseeing the Greek system. The University still plans to establish a two-person administrative team to oversee Greek affairs once Baker's position is filled.

"He [Baker] was sad to leave, but it was too good of an offer to turn down," Dean of Students Richard Ferraro said. "Without him, the Greek Plan for Prominence never would have gotten off the ground. He was an asset to the University and gave his heart and soul to the Greek system."

With the Plan for Prominence firmly in place, Ferraro remains optimistic about the future of Greek life at the University. The search will continue for a new associate dean of Greek life, but in the meantime Ferraro will confidently place the Greek system in the hands of the newcomer Irwin.

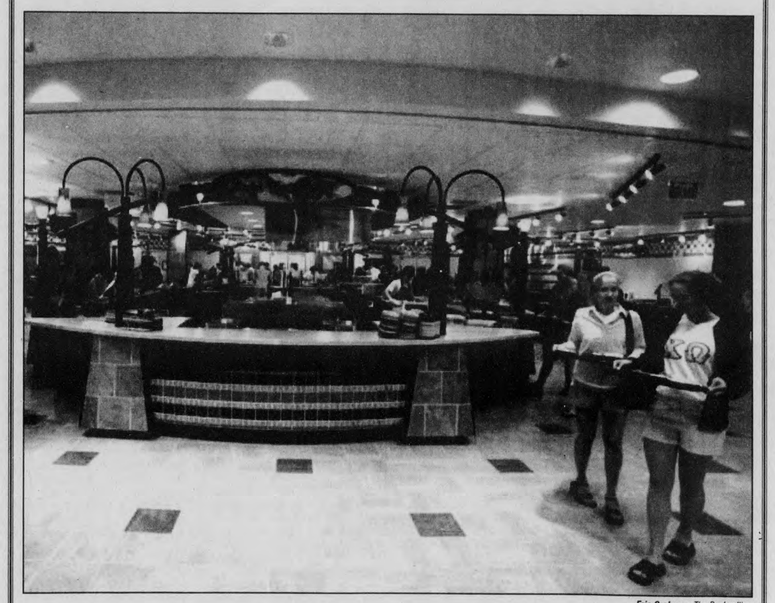
"The community has been very warm and welcoming and I can see it in the people and the students," Irwin said. "If the two months I've been here are any indication of things to come, I'm sure I'll enjoy it immensely."

Like Baker, Irwin made the choice to experience Greek life during her undergraduate studies, a decision she calls one of the best in her life. She credits her Greek experience (Zeta Phi Beta) as a driving force behind why she remains involved in Greek affairs today.

As area coordinator/Fraternity and Sorority Life at North Carolina Wesleyan College, Irwin witnessed that Greek system expand from four organizations to seven and add several culturally based groups. Here at the University, she hopes to continue many of the same approaches she used at North Carolina Wesleyan while simultaneously picking up where Baker left off.

"We can always be better—this is not an extremely large Greek community, but there are challenges we do face," Irwin said. One of her main focuses this year will be to serve as a liaison between Greeks and those constituencies affected by Greeks. She cites communication as a major key to maintaining a healthy Greek community.

Caf puts on a new face



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Bostwick Cafeteria reopened this semester after massive renovations that began last March. The remodeled dining hall features a brighter, contemporary atmosphere with new food stations and dining choices.

New smoking policy further restricts use of tobacco on campus

By Chris Styers
Senior Writer

Smoking was officially banned from all University buildings on July 1, marking the culmination of years of research and policy-making designed to promote healthfulness on campus.

"It's a welcome policy," Allison Hoffmann '05 said. "Even though I haven't really noticed smoking in buildings, this ensures buildings will not have lingering smoke odor and contact with cigarette smoke is minimized."

Many students hold similar views, especially in regards to second-hand smoke. The prohibition of smoking in University buildings is not a sudden change, however, it has been a gradual process that began several years ago.

Former Vice President of Finance and Administration Barry Maxwell created a committee aimed at examining the consequences of smoking in the campus community.

Based on the data they collected, the committee recommended a course of action that would limit the permissible locations for smoking. The new policy would be implemented in three main steps: a smoking ban in selected buildings, the removal of smoking from student residences and the prohibiting of smoking in all University buildings.

The goal of this policy would be to "promote the health and safety of all members of the campus community," as is stated in the University's Indoor Smoking Policy.

The health and safety of the campus can easily be jeopardized by unrestricted smoking. Information gathered from the American Cancer Society reveals that smoking and environmental tobacco smoke (ETS), or what is more commonly referred to as second-hand smoke, can cause cancer in the lungs, mouth and esophagus, as well as heart disease, bronchitis and emphysema. The American Cancer Society reports that that "cigarettes kill more Americans than alcohol, car accidents, suicide, AIDS, homicide and illegal drugs."

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency classifies second-hand smoke as a Group A carcinogen—meaning second hand smoke is categorized with familiar pollutants and cancer causing agents such as asbestos and radon.

"We must protect the environment within which we study, learn, and work," said Jo-Anne Lema, vice president for finance and administration. "We must be attentive to the very real needs and concerns of our students and employees, many of whom are allergic to smoke and/or find it distasteful if not actually harmful to be in a smoke-filled environment."

Although reports since the final stage of implementation of the policy have been mostly positive and supportive, some students believe that this is only the beginning and even more action needs to be taken in regards to smoking on campus.

Adam Clark '05 strongly supports the policy, but believes even more should be done to eliminate smoking.

"Smoking receptacles are too close to the entrance of buildings and many times unwanted smoke still reaches students via open windows," Clark said.

Clark also commented on the cigarette butts that litter high traffic areas on campus. He, as well as others, welcome the new smoking policy and voice the need to continue to take steps to improve the University environment.

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Alcohol at Uptown a positive step

When Uptown opened in the spring of 2000, its main purpose was to provide a substance-free venue for University students. Since its opening, the Uptown Committee, with suggestions from the University community, has been working to improve Uptown.

This month, the Uptown Committee will take one more step in attempting to increase the usage and popularity of Uptown. Uptown will have monthly "pub nights" for University students who are 21 and older.

On these nights, students will be allowed up to three complimentary beers, glasses of wine or non-alcoholic beverages. Also, students under the age of 21 will not be permitted to attend.

In the past, low attendance has been a concern at Uptown. Having alcohol is a step in the right direction because it will most likely increase attendance, especially of seniors. If students visit Uptown on alcohol nights, they will hopefully be more inclined to go to alcohol-free events at Uptown.

Uptown provides a club-like atmosphere, which is nearly impossible to find in the Lewisburg area. Students of age can go to the bar or the pub, but other than fraternity parties, which are open by invitation only, there is nowhere students can go to dance. Uptown provides this type of atmosphere almost every weekend, and it is free of charge.

Although alcohol at Uptown will most likely draw a larger audience than it has in the past, the crowd will be restricted to mostly seniors because of age. In fact, approximately three-quarters of University students will not be permitted to take part in the "pub nights."

On alcohol nights, those who are not 21 will not be able to enjoy Uptown for the purpose in which it was created, therefore having one less option to hang out. Yes, students can find other places to go, but Uptown is one of the few places on campus that provides a party-like atmosphere. Students of age can go to the bar or the pub, places that are not even an option for under-age students.

Ultimately, the "pub nights" can be a major success of major failure. The most obvious failure mode would be for of-age students to come to Uptown simply to drink the free alcoholic beverages and then go to their next venue. Not only would this not help Uptown attendance on "pub nights," but it would also not help attendance on alcohol-free nights. If this turns out to be the case, the next rational step for Uptown is to cancel or change the pub night concept.

Either way, it proves that Uptown is proactively identifying where changes need to be made. Providing alcohol at Uptown has the potential to increase Uptown's use among students and make it a more popular place.

Summer filled with outrageous events and poor reporting

By Tom Elliott
Senior Writer

There's no doubt that this summer was rich with interesting news. So before jumping into the new school year, let's briefly reflect on some of the more noteworthy events of the past few months.

Early June, the United States shocked the world when our soccer team beat Portugal in a stunning World Cup upset. This sparked what was to become a great Cinderella story. The success prompted many Americans to become abnormally excited about the sport. Numerous people sacrificed hours of sleep to watch team USA play during the wee hours of the morning. I was at a music festival when they finally lost in the quarter-finals to Germany; keeping the sudden popularity in mind, the management set up an area to view the game. Surprisingly, it was heavily populated, considering most were hippies who had awakened early to watch.

On to a person who probably wasn't cheering for a U.S. soccer victory: John Walker Lindh. Now here is someone who left the States so he could encompass himself within an Islamic state—good for him. But when Pakistan wasn't quite as fundamentalist as he felt the Quran mandated, he moved to Afghanistan. There, he was educated in an al-Qaida terrorist training camp, while enjoying his new life under the more "purist" Taliban. When American troops moved in after Sept. 11, Lindh requested to go to the front lines so that he could assist Taliban/al-Qaida forces. Upon capture, subsequent arrest and trial, he never expressed any remorse.

I don't care too much that he will be out of jail by the time he is 41 (if he makes parole), but I do care that he will be able to spend the rest of his life within the comfort of the United States Our judicial system has become so feckless that it won't even deport citizens who raise arms against our own troops.

Another episode of great disturbance this summer was the fires that ravaged much of Colorado, New Mexico, Oregon and Wyoming. Even today, California is burning. In all, more than six million acres burned to the ground —an area the size of New Hampshire. It's also twice the annual average loss of acreage. Unfortunately, last year also saw unprecedented burning (seven million acres). Naturally, the environmentalists are to blame. During the Clinton administration, the Environmental Protection Agency and the Department of Interior were corrupted by radical environmentalists who opposed fire-preventing techniques at every available opportunity. Controlled burnings and logging could have prevented such unabated burning to happen in the manner that it did. Instead, they insisted upon keeping such wilderness in its "natural" state. Perhaps they were unaware that Indians have been practicing such forest shaping techniques for thousands of years.

While on the subject of good environmental intentions gone bad, in early August, Greenpeace released two photographs that illustrated a large iceberg by Alaska. One was taken around 1900, the other, recently. It showed what seemed to be a clear melting of the iceberg. Many publications quickly printed the pictures, hoping to show the need for human intervention to combat climate change. A couple weeks later, it was revealed that the iceberg had actually melted around 1930.

Retractions were generally either non-existent or buried deep within the papers. Of course, let us not forget the tragic kidnappings that occurred. While each case was barbaric and unfortunate, the media reported the stories like kids were being snatched up like fish in a stocked pond. The reality was, of course, much different. The total number of cases for the year is at 100 right now, which is actually down from 200-300 annually during the 1980s.

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A market for child LoJack-type bracelets boomed, even though there's still a greater risk in taking your kid to the doctor than there is of your kid being kidnapped.

Finally, the recent journalism techniques of *The New York Times*, warrants comment. Howell Raines is their editor-in-chief, formerly editor of their editorial page-(a page that I doubt anyone would consider anything but liberal-slanted). His promotion means he now calls the shots on what goes on the front page. This is fine, so long as he keeps the stories to the standard Who, What, Where, When, Why and How aspects of a news story. Instead, he has allowed his personal biases to affect the decision making. Most specifically, this is seen in the *Times*' anti war-with-Iraq crusade.

Mid-August, story they ran a front page titled, "Top Republicans break with Bush on Iraq strategy." The meat-and-potatoes for the article was Henry Kissinger, who they claimed had come out against a preemptive strike. This was, however, nothing less than a lie. The former Secretary of State had actually broken with his long-standing tradition of a no first strike policy to accept Bush's strategy. He wrote in the *Washington Post:* "The terrorist threat transcends the nation-state; it derives in large part from transnational groups that, if they acquire weapons of mass destruction, could inflict catastrophic, even irretrievable, damage."

Two weeks earlier, they printed another motive-sketchy front page story. This one observed that a war would negatively impact an already sluggish economy (sound the alarm!). What wasn't reported was the probable economic impact of another terrorist strike, or the economic benefit of a liberated Iraq.

Government displays patriotism in wrong area

By Josh Fisher
Opinions Editor

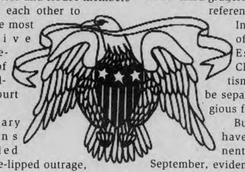
"Ridiculous," President George W. Bush sneered. "One of the most asinine things I have ever heard," House Majority Leader Dick Army grumbled. "Nuts," Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle ridiculed.

But in 1954, godless communists dominated our nightmare, and "under God" was inserted into the Pledge of Allegiance in order to weed these extremists out; Dwight Eisenhower wrapped himself in a religious cloak and signed the phrase "In God We Trust" into law, which was to replace the national motto, E Pluribus Unum, a Latin phrase meaning Out of Many, One.

Having third-graders daily repeat 'one nation under God' is not a solution to the troubling ills that plague this nation or the world.

The decision of the court, however, was not as interesting as the nation's reaction to it.

Within moments, politicians of both stripes were falling over one another to prove just how religiously devout and patriotic they are. Senators and House members vied with each other to deliver the most derisive denouncements of the appellate court decision.



Ordinary citizens responded with white-lipped outrage, as if the very pursuit of religious life in America were under siege—an absurd notion in a nation whose Attorney General, John Ashcroft, regularly composes Christian songs for his staff to sing; a nation where politicians use the subject of faith as a main avenue to garner votes.

Senator Robert Byrd, a Democrat from West Virginia, who was the only current remaining member of Congress who voted for the addition of "under God" to the Pledge in 1954, stated "I hope the Senate will waste no time in throwing this back in the face of this stupid judge." Soon after this statement, the Senate passed a resolution 99-0 expressing symbolic support for the Pledge.

The public outcry against the court's decision reflects a definitive reversion to the primitive struggles of the past in which such disputes resulted in some of humanity's most violent episodes. These theoretical arguments, thought resolved during the European Enlightenment, heavily influenced the founding fathers and they should not be squandered in a fearful reaction to a perceived national threat, historical or present. When faith based elements replace notions of logic and rationality in the affairs of nations, cycles of religious one-upmanship, "my god is bigger than your god," seem inevitable.

Having third-graders daily repeat "one nation under God" is not a solution to the troubling ills that plague this nation or this world. Rote references to monotheism every morning will not really forge decent, compassionate human beings out of children. The highest ideals of this country—freedom, justice, and equality—really do not depend on these third-graders making these references.

In the parlance of the Establishment Clause, patriotism can certainly be separated from religious faith.

But such displays have been prominent since last September, evidenced in the deluge of attempts to prove the authenticity of their patriotism and piety. Politicians may not realize that there are more tangible ways of expressing such convictions, if so inclined, than mere symbolic demonstrations and pseudo-simplistic cures.

The U.S. government throws hundreds of billions of dollars towards a constant military buildup while giving our educational system short shrift. We abide stolen civil liberties in the name of greater national security. We endure greedy corporate criminals and their political crony counterparts who steal billions of dollars (even with "In God We Trust" emblazoned on them!). Then when the company goes under, corporate heads fire their employees. Our hands are bloodstained with a perpetual war waged against human and non-human animals alike.

Too bad Americans can't work up a head of outrage over that.

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Juvenile executions believed to be cruel and unusual punishment

By Elisabeth Salemme
Writer

Prompted by the recent execution of death row inmate Thomas M. Patterson of Texas, who was 17 when he killed a cousin in 1995, three Supreme Court justices advised the court last Wednesday to reevaluate the allowance of sentencing juveniles to death. The suggestion by Justice Stephen Breyer, Justice Ruth Bader Ginsberg and Justice John Paul Stevens must be immediately considered by the Supreme Court, for the execution of juveniles is highly unjust and unconstitutional.

If a 16- or 17-year olds are not eligible to vote because of their juvenile state of mind then they should not be given the most extreme punishment possible

The decision of the Atkins v. Virginia case that went before the Supreme Court in June,banned the execution of the mentally retarded. The Supreme Court decided the mentally retarded act upon their impulses and, more-often than not, are followers rather than leaders. The same characteristics of the mentally retarded frequently apply to children. Federal law should ban the execution of the mentally retarded as well as juveniles.

According to the Death Penalty Information Center in Washington, D.C., of the 38 states that permit the death penalty, 16 set the minimum age at the time the crime was committed at 18, five set the minimum age at 17 and the other 17 states set the minimum age at 16. Whereas the Eighth Amendment of the constitution bans cruel and unusual punishment, the 1989 case, Stanford v. Kentucky, held that no consensus existed on the subject of the death penalty's constitutionality. Although the death penalty for responsible, knowing adults may not be a question of constitutionality, it is certainly a question for children, who are minors until they reach the age of 18.

American citizens under the age of 18 are not granted the right to vote because they are not considered responsible or mature enough to make such decisions. If 16- or 17-year-olds are not eligible to vote, based on their juvenile state of mind, then they should not receive the most extreme form of punishment possible when their actions are still considered those of minors.

Parental accountability, especially for 16-year-olds, should play a major role in the reconsideration of the death penalty for minors. If a child is capable of such a crime that would warrant capital punishment, it is highly unlikely that there would not be warning signs present in the child's behavior. If signs are detected, it is the parents' responsibility to seek their child immediate professional help.

Minors are still going through adolescence, which can be the most difficult period of a person's life. Teen-agers are often cruel, and make others feel isolated and alone, which often results in deep depression and anger. Whereas an 18-year-old is an adult and should be able to control his or her emotions and seek help, 16 and 17-year-olds are still vulnerable, and like the mentally retarded, may act on impulses or follow the ideals of a group that promotes violence or terror. It is, again, an adult responsibility to recognize that there is a problem.

The Supreme Court's decision to reexamine the laws that allow juveniles to be executed is a wise one. The Supreme Court must recognize the unconstitutionality of the current law and set the mandatory minimum age to be sentenced to death 18.

Appropriate Usage Policy is hypocritical

By Amanda Nogic
Writer

I have droves of friends in my hometown insanely jealous of my current situation. As a first-year college student, they are almost foaming at the mouth with jealousy at the opportunities I have through my enrollment here at the University. They envy the lax lifestyle, the general freedom in class choice and the basic fact that I basically get to do whatever I want.

My homebound friends are especially jealous of the fact that I have access to an insanely fast connection to the Internet and the network.

It sounds dorky enough, but I gloated to them that I would be able to download entire songs in one second while they would be at home for 20 minutes waiting for their lackluster 56K connection to get the last few notes of a song. I reveled in the fact that I would probably double my CD collection for a fraction of what my unfortunate younger counterparts would end up paying at the local music store. It seemed all part of the privilege of being a college student.

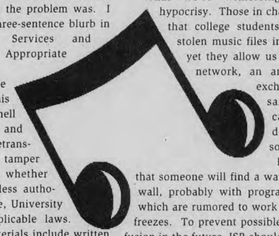
As moving day came and passed, and I finally got the chance to tinker around on my lovely new Dell, the shockwave hit me. My KaZaa would not work.

After a few frustrating restarts, I started asking my hallmates what the problem was. I quickly learned of a three-sentence blurb in the Information Services and Resources' (ISR) Appropriate Use Policy (AUP):

"Do not violate copyright laws. This includes using Bucknell computing facilities and resources to receive, retransmit, duplicate, destroy, or tamper with software or data, whether stored or transmitted, unless authorized by copyright, license, University policy and all other applicable laws. Examples of protected materials include written material, sound files, pictures, photos, animations, and software not originally created by you."

I struggled to understand this. According to ISR, I am not allowed to download songs or other materials copyrighted to people other than myself unless I have their permission. Yet I am allowed to access the network through the University, where other students possess hoards of music files that are easily copied and pasted into my own computer's music folders. But we're not allowed to download. Ha.

What we're witnessing here is pure hypocrisy. Those in charge have to know that college students carry dozens of stolen music files in their computers, yet they allow us to connect to the network, an arena full of free exchange of these very same files. Why can't we simply download these songs for ourselves?



I know for a fact that someone will find a way around this firewall, probably with programs like Blubster, which are rumored to work past downloading freezes. To prevent possible disciplinary confusion in the future. ISR should take swift action and remove the aforementioned clause from the AUP. Not doing so only promotes a gray area in dealing with disciplinary issues. Streamlining the policy would eliminate the hypocrisy from the AUP, and make University computing much more rewarding to the student body.

Transgendered face difficult issues

By Philip Martoma
Senior Writer

My women's and gender studies professor asked me in class a few days ago during discussion to consider a men's issue, as we had focused on women's issues that day. One student broached the topic of reverse discrimination, and how in some ways (especially with regard to college admissions) it seems that straight white men have it harder than anyone. It seems there is a new consensus from several of my peers that straight white men are becoming a new minority.

I do not entirely agree with this sentiment and have much to say on the topic, but I will save that for another article. This comment did catalyze my thinking about what are some issues of oppression men face, and as a gay man of color I was able to come up with something. Gloria Allred, a high profile attorney, has recently taken on the case of "Sandy," a person who, although born with male genitalia, identifies as a woman. "Sandy" applied to a beauty school and after being interviewed and accepted was later rejected after the discovery of the history of her sexual identity. Apparently it wasn't enough that she appeared female to this all-girls school or that she considered herself to be a woman. Instead, there was still concern by the administration as to where she would go to the restroom.

Interestingly enough, the administration chose this as its reason for denying her application. Though, she did try to accommodate their concerns by saying that she would go wherever they instructed her to go, or even leave the campus to "answer nature's call" she was still denied entrance to the beauty school.

First I would have to say that this beauty school has already lost the rational high ground to their arguments in that she already agreed to go wherever they told her. Had they a concern that she would disrupt the other ladies' education by sitting in her stall then they could have sent her to the men's room. The only other qualm they could have then have to be based on the fact that "Sandy" is a transgender and that would be illegal. Still, "Sandy" was willing to protect the school from such a lawsuit by doing her business elsewhere entirely, which was not acknowledged as viable. We must then conclude that the school does not consider her to identify as a female enough to make her an acceptable applicant. Thus, the presence of her male genitalia is a problem and thus she is being discriminated against as male.

Transgender issues are hard to understand often because they are mixed into such a gray area and hard to define as a gender. Although I have referred to her throughout this article as a woman as a form of respect and courtesy on my part, she has often been described as a man throughout the media.

On a brief appearance on the "O'Reilly Factor," Bill O'Reilly clearly felt a little ashamed (something I've never seen) to try and hard press her with questions. She sheepishly looked to Allred, her lawyer, throughout the interview. Which brings up another question of oppression as it relates to transgenders.

Oftentimes, transgenders find they are not taken seriously by peers without living up to some sort of hyper-effeminized version of their personality. Steven Makintosh addressed this issue when playing Kim Foyle (a post-operative transsexual) in the movie "Different For Girls." In the movie, she reported that her psychologist said that she was not serious about wanting an operation because she had shown up in blue jeans for her session. In order to be deemed as truly having an identity crisis she then started taking on a more effeminate lifestyle, acting more "appropriately."

Many other transsexuals have reported similar instances. Not only is this is a form of sexism, but it is also a men's issue as men are being asked to live up to a certain standard of feminine behavior to cast off their masculine identity. In the case of "Sandy," she will not be accepted by either O'Reilly or the media until she lives up to their hyper-effeminate expectations. That is the battle Allred is fighting for. Meanwhile, all "Sandy" wants to do is go school.

Sexual assault should be judged differently

By Katie Parker
Senior Writer

Sexual assault is a particularly problematic crime because in many cases it does not meet the courtroom standards of corroborative evidence. Although sexual assault victims may be bruised, have witnesses to their assault or have evidence that they were drugged against their will, in some cases (and especially on college campuses), it may happen independent of any of these factors. Then it becomes a case based purely on the testimony of the accuser reporting that he or she did not consent to sexual relations with the accused. Many college campuses have recently begun to see this "he said/she said" justice as a "credibility contest," and have begun to implement programs (such as the recent program adopted unanimously by Harvard University) to prevent these types of uncorroborated accusations. These programs require students to present preliminary evidence of sexual assault before the case is brought before a full judiciary board.

This type of system is set up in order to prevent false accusations of rape from filtering through a process meant only for truthful complaints. Preliminary charges will allow the judicial board to decide whether or not the accusations are grounded in any real evidence before a student is actually indicted in the crime. Presumably, this is to prevent students from being slandered by fabricated rape charges. This assumption rests primarily on the grounds that rape charges are sometimes false, and therefore must meet a burden of proof before they care worthy of consideration.

Statistics show that approximately 17.7 million women and 2.78 million men in the United States have been the victims of attempted or completed sexual assault.

I agree that this issue is extremely problematic and complex given that it deals with the individual rights and freedoms of students in both positions: accuser and accused. I do not challenge the notion that any individual has the right to a fair trial, and that the burden of proof should be met by the individual bringing the charges against that person. As I stated before, sexual assault can be a particularly difficult crime to prove, especially considering that in some cases, it is virtually impossible to determine by the physical evidence if the act is consensual or not. In those specific cases where corroborating evidence is impossible to provide, the individual who has been sexually assaulted is left without the possibility of confronting his or her attacker, and certainly he or she is deprived of the opportunity to bring that person to justice. Given that so much is at stake for both sides of this equation, it is important to examine the consequences of such a policy for the institutions that choose to implement it.

First of all, statistically it has been shown that false reports of rape are extremely rare. The FBI has reported that false reports of rape are not higher than false reports of any other crimes. According to this study, 3-8 percent of rapes reported in the United States are false accusations. This means that 92-97 percent of the time, the individual reporting the rape is telling the truth. Other statistics show that approximately 17.7 million women and 2.78 million men in the United States have been the victims of attempted or completed sexual assault. Statistics also show that only 42 percent of victims actually report or seek help for their sexual assault. Is it possible that the reason that many sexual assaults go unreported is because of the inherent difficulty in legally proving that you were sexually assaulted?

Although in many ways I understand and support the reasoning behind Harvard's policy shift, I wonder what negative consequences may result from the institution's decision. They have not only made it more difficult to report a sexual assault, but they have set a standard that it is possible to commit assault freely without needing to worry about being punished. Is the trade-off worth it? Will the institution benefit from less false accusations, but suffer from a lack of providing justice and support for students who have been sexually assaulted yet cannot meet the burden of proof? Indeed, it is important to examine whether or not these standards will confuse the presently coherent and clear policies on sexual assault—that sex without consent, regardless of whether or not it is malicious, violent or under the influence of drugs, is wrong and a punishable offense.

Letter to the editor

To the Editor:

Though I am not often in the habit of writing letters to the editor in any publications, I did feel the need as an active alumnus of the University, and a member of the Alumni Board, to share a couple of observations with University students who are approaching the "work world" in earnest.

Bucknell's Career Development (CDC) office has initiated a new "tool" to facilitate the job search process for its students, which are area sponsored job fairs at strategic places and times of the year. Last spring, I participated in the initial offering for the Chicago area, which was held over the 2001 Christmas break. Attendance was limited, but it was a start, and I commend the CDC for undertaking the event.

My intent, through this letter, is to urge the seniors and juniors at the University to make use of these opportunities. I serve as the vice president of human resources for a large multi-national corporation responsibility for building up our ranks of new "academic graduates" who show potential to grow into our middle management positions. My experience over the last seven years as we have pursued these outstanding performers at the University, and its various sister institutions, has confirmed for me the power of networking and personal contact in this process. Of course, you as an applicant are judged first and foremost on your academic and leadership record, but trust me, do not ever downplay the power of personal contact in the process. Multi-national companies, such as ours, give considerable weight to how we believe you can fit into a multi-cultural environment. That judgment alone can never be made on the basis of paper—particularly if that paper is marginal at best. Thus, the role of personal contact is of paramount importance to your process. You will also never obtain that advantage through the recruitment Websites that are marketed to you as the "answer" to your job search worries.

I can't urge you enough to seize any of the network, opportunities that are offered to you by your CDC. Also, get an early start, its still going to be one tough job market for new graduates over the next few years.

Sincerely,
J.K. MacKendree Day

BUSINESS & POLITICS

Logging wins over controlled burns; Bush outlines his latest environmental policies

By Charles Mitchell
Senior Writer

With this summer's legacy of forest fires and a controversial U.N. summit on sustainable development, the environment is a sensitive and popular issue at the moment.

Courtesy of Reuters

President George W. Bush gestures while surrounded by burned trees as he tours the site of the Squires forest fire near Ruch, Ore., on Aug. 22, 2002.

At the end of August, President George W. Bush made waves by calling for more logging in order to prevent another year of six-plus million acres of charred woodlands.

Standing in front of the smoldering Squires Peaks fire in southern Oregon, Bush declared that, "We need to thin, to make [forests] healthy by using common sense . . . it makes sense to clear brush."

He blamed current restrictions on clearing brush for providing fuel for wildfires. As he put it, "We need to understand, if you let kindling build up and there's a lightning strike, you're going to get yourself a big fire."

The president added that there is too much "red tape" and bureaucracy surrounding forestry policy and announced his intent to limit "endless litigation," alluding to lawsuits filed by environmental groups. Observers noted that Bush seemed to know that environmental groups would not approve of his "Healthy Forests" initiative, and they were correct.

The Wilderness Society, the Sierra Club and other groups quickly released a counterproposal calling for planned burns instead of logging, and many accused Bush of providing a "giveaway" for the logging industry. The president does not frame the issue in those terms, but he has been quick to note that increased logging would mean more jobs--as many as 100,000, according to the BBC--in these uncertain economic times.

Many state governors were on hand for Bush's speech, even Bush's chief foe in the 2000 Republican primary, Senator John McCain (R-Ariz.), who supported the "Healthy Forests" initiative. The president's supporters pointed out in particular that Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle (D-S.D.) recently snuck a logging regulation exemption for his home state into a bill; an exemption which has effects very similar to what the president proposed.

Shortly after Bush's speech, the U.N. World Conference on Sustainable Development opened in Johannesburg, South Africa. The president actually refused to attend the conference, sending in his stead Secretary of State Colin Powell.

After rejecting ratification of the Kyoto Protocol earlier in his presidency, Bush has not been seen as very receptive to the United Nations' environmental agenda.

Republicans are not the only ones who are upset with the Johannesburg summit. Many progressive activists have complained about the extravagance of the conference, according to the Associated Press.

The summit's 45 000 delegates, who reportedly ignored the recycling bins placed in meeting rooms, will generate 400 000 tons of trash. Flying the delegates around the world will also generate approximately 300 000 tons of carbon dioxide, a greenhouse gas. They will also consume an estimated five million sheets of paper.

The delegates are also eating the finest food and drink in a building surrounded by the poor--a phenomenon which many poverty activists find quite problematic, and not at all indicative of a sustainable level of environmental activity.

U.S. desire for oil hidden behind Iraqi military threat

By Michael Dudzinski
Writer

Now that the war in Afghanistan has come to an end and a United States-friendly puppet regime is in place, President George W. Bush seeks to accomplish what his father failed to do during the Gulf War. Ousting Saddam will undoubtedly be a difficult task, yet Bush is determined to complete it at all costs.

The campaign will not be any easier this time around. Adding hardship to the Bush administration's campaign is the mounting skepticism of the general public, our allies and even the president's cabinet. The high-risk operation would drag a peaceful nation into war to justify the hidden agenda to conquer Iraqi oil fields. Most Americans oppose the movement to allow a sitting president to remove the government of a country that does not pose a threat to the United States.

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According to CNN, Secretary of State Colin Powell and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein have suggested that the U.N. inspectors return to Iraq. During the 1990s, when U.N. officials were still inspecting Iraqi facilities, no one reported any activity that posed a threat to the United States. With U.N. inspectors reinstated in Iraq, it could be made certain that the country would not become a threat.

So why must the White House seek to perpetuate another war with Iraq, this time also replacing Saddam with a puppet regime? The only logical explanation is to conquer the rich Iraqi oil reserves. It is no wonder why big oil mongers like Bush, Vice President Dick Cheney and National Security Advisor Condoleeza Rice support a regime change in Iraq.

'The war on terror' encompasses a subliminal agenda among the Bush clan to amass great fortune by installing puppet regimes in the oil-rich Mideast that are complacent to U.S . oil interests.

If one backtracks to the Afghanistan scenario, the removal of the Taliban regime was ultimately justified by national defense. It should not be forgotten that the Taliban refused to allow U.S. oil executives to run a multi-billion dollar pipeline through Afghanistan. It was approved after the Taliban was removed.

What all this means is that this "war on terror" involves more than just the obvious. It encompasses a subliminal agenda among the Bush clan to amass great fortune by installing puppet regimes in the oil-rich Mideast that are complacent to U.S. oil interests.

It is quite evident why our allies and even some members of the Bush team are hesitant to oust Saddam. The risk is high and those in power do not want to sacrifice their accountability as well as national and global security for the potential benefit of the elite.

Pushing the Bush propaganda machine aside, war will only perpetuate anti-U.S. sentiment as well as terrorism. When our government stops oppressing and interfering with other countries is when the terrorists will go home. Terror cannot be fought by creating more terror.

Crisis of confidence plagues American economy

By Michael Neibauer
Senior Writer

Since last spring, the volatile economic and political environment has yet to recover from the weakness of uncertainty. The outcomes from the Enron and WorldCom outrages have yet to be resolved by congressional investigations and subsequent much-needed legislation. *The New York Times* reported of one WorldCom executive getting what amounts to $11 million dollars in legal kickbacks of hot stock information on 21 different occasions from investment bankers. This report has cooled investor confidence to say the least. The idea that there are two sets of rules for investors ("the privileged" and "the average") has infected the market strategies of many participants.

Uncertainty is the enemy of financial markets and we have plenty to spare.

This type of news and the previous scarcity of any arrests or meaningful property seizures have contributed to the general meltdown of confidence and the financial markets. Unemployment has begun to creep up again because job creation has failed to materialize since capital spending is slack. This is due to slowly recovering profits. Most recently the 15,000 jobs eliminated by the failure of Consolidated Freightways and the 4,000 layoffs at IBM added to the downturn. This abusive atmosphere has forced many smaller investors out of the fluctuating stock market and into savings accounts and the bond market.

On the political front, imported oil prices have gone up as the debate over the proposal of a preemptive attack by the United States on Iraq. The saber rattling by Vice President Dick Cheney and some "hawkish" administration members directly contribute to these market conditions. The war talk not only increases tensions in the Middle East, but also places a three to five dollar premium on the price of imported oil per barrel above the actual normal value in the commodity markets. As this dialogue continues, the increased price for heating oil and oil at the local pump will certainly show up. This will further confuse and confound productivity and the economic outlook.

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Uncertainty is the enemy of financial markets and we have plenty to spare. September and October (traditionally risky for markets) are going to be tough months as we draw close to the November congressional elections. Perhaps President George W. Bush can clear away some of this gloom and uncertainty on Sept. 12 when he speaks to the United Nations. The president has painted himself into a corner on the Iraqi question with his own rhetoric since last September. He must now not just be morally clear on a preemptive strike, but must prove his case by providing specific evidence for a preemptive strike. With little support from our traditional allies, Bush's U.N. speech can be a strong determinant for the economy and his political career for the next two years.

U.N. Summit tries to balance environmental, economic progress

By Dana Binnendijk
Writer

The world today needs to balance a strong economy with environmental stability. Nations and their people must pursue economic goals carefully if environmental stress is to be kept within the earth's threshold of tolerance.

The means of achieving this goal was discussed at the U.N. World Summit on Sustainable Development, which culminated in Johannesburg, South Africa this week.

More than 100 world leaders attended the meeting.

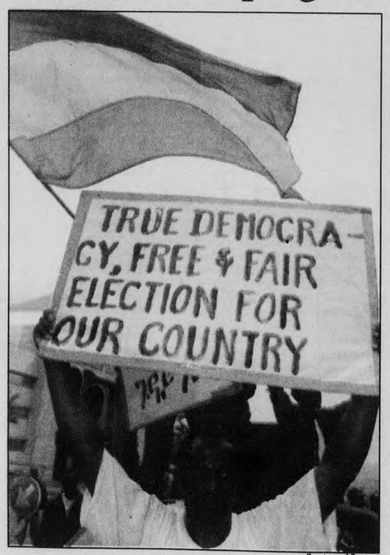
Countries with power and wealth, such as the United States, hope to maintain their high standard of living and strong economic growth while poorer nations work to boost their economies.

The Summit's goal is to improve living conditions around the world while increasing protection of the environment. Specifically, governments are agreeing to increase the number of people who have access to clean water, proper sanitation and modern energy services, such as electricity, while at the same time promoting a healthy environment and protecting the world's biodiversity and ecosystems.

Many environmental groups expressed disappointment with the results of the meeting, saying that we have moved a step backward and are worse off than we were nine days ago.

Mark Malloch Brown, administrator for the U.N. Development Program, disagrees.

"If you judge this summit for its new architecture for the world's environment and development, then yes, it certainly failed to provide that. But if you look at this summit as a bricklayers' summit where the world came to some agreements on how to build the structure, then there were some accomplishments that are worth noting," Malloch Brown said in a *Washington Post* article.



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One of the Ethiopian demonstrators holds a poster outside the center in which the U.N. Summit on Sustainable Development is being held in Johannesburg, South Africa.

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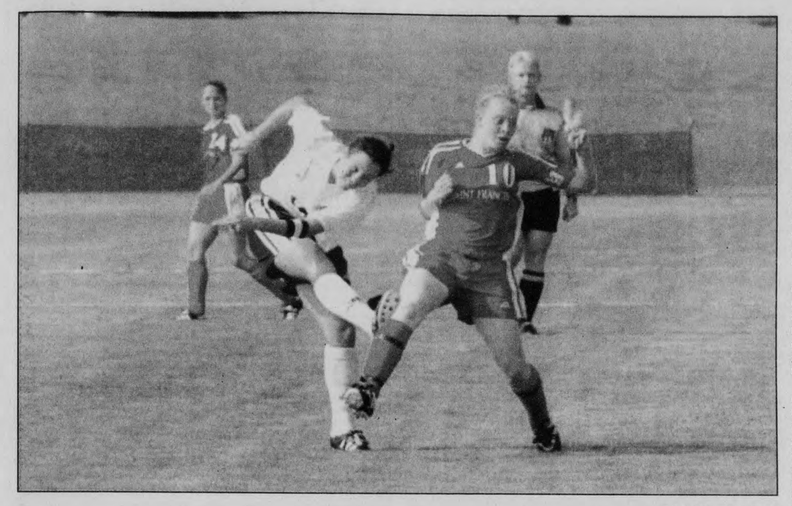
Howard crumbles in mammoth routing

Bucknell made Howard look foolish in a 7-3 romping in their season opener, but fell 1-0 to St. Francis the next day



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Though the Bison outshot St. Francis 23-7, they failed to make the shots that counted and fell 1-0 after a 7-3 victory over Howard the day before.

By Dave Cohen
Senior Writer

The Bucknell women's soccer team kick-started the season with a victory against Howard in a tremendous fashion on Aug. 31. Led by Megan Farrell '05, who netted two goals in the first half of play, the Bison coasted to a 7-3 home victory. Farrell wasted no time as she scored the first goal 5:34 into the first half, which set the tone for the Bison for the game and perhaps the season.

In a first half that was predominantly controlled by Bucknell, Michelle Santonacita '05 received a pass from Lauren Schwartz '03 and sent the ball through the goal to provide the Bison with a 2-0 padding at 21:44. Farrell's second goal from just inside the box came with 20:36 remaining in the half, which opened up a 3-0 BU advantage.

Although Howard's Raneika Bean attempted to keep her squad competitive by scoring once midway through the half and again with 2:29 remaining, the Orange and Blue proved to have too much firepower. After tallying two additional goals, Bucknell stormed into the half with a commanding 5-2 lead thanks to Margaret Emmitt '06, who was assisted by Ashley Dinscher '05, and Tara Utchel '03.

Utchel felt that it was imperative to win the first game by a significant margin because the squad's success from its previous season made the team reputable and has placed it under a scope this year.

"I think it was extremely important that we came out and made a statement because everyone is watching us really closely because we are defending our title. Anything that we do is going to impact the way teams look at us," Utchel said.

Less than eight minutes into the second half, the Bison continued to pour it on as Schwartz got involved again, this time with a goal. Rachel Prowler '06 got herself into the action as well, as she assisted Emily Keber '03 for the team's seventh and final goal. Keber was relieved to get the first game out of the way and look ahead to another potential league championship season.

"[The win] feels good," Keber said. "Obviously, we have something to prove this year and it's good that we have the first one under our belts. I am really excited for the remainder of the year. We are all really close friends and I am looking forward to success. We have three great captains and we look to them for leadership."

One captain, Schwartz, feels obligated to set the tone for the team regardless of the activity. Although she got the team going with an early assist in the first half and scored a goal early in the second half, she stressed that being a leader off the field is as important as it is on the field.

"Our goal in the second half was to not let them score on us," Schwartz said. "I wanted to let the team know that we still had another 45 minutes to play. I think as a senior and as a captain it is important to set an example for the underclassmen. Whether it's at practice or fooling around I want to set an example of doing things 100 percent. If they see me working hard it will push them to work hard as well."

Utchel also spoke briefly about maturing into a leader.

"I feel like last year I just followed the seniors' lead even though I was a captain, too," she said. "Now I am more experienced and I know the team looks up to me."

The Bison defense, which was formidable last year, continued its excellence in this first match-up of the season as it allowed starting goalie Laurie Purse '03 to face only three shot attempts in the first half. Kelly Kannen '05, who replaced Purse in the second half, saved two shots.

Bucknell (1-0, 0-0) returned to action Tuesday as it hosted Saint Francis of Pennsylvania.

Football squad enters season with high hopes

By Cory Nadler
Senior Writer

A Patriot League title is all that is on the minds of Bucknell's football team, after they were chosen to come in fourth in the league standings. After finishing with a 6-4 record last year, the Bison open their 2002 season against the Duquesne Dukes on Saturday, Sept. 7, in Pittsburgh.

The Bison have a strong core of seniors returning this season, especially on the defensive line. Defensive tackle Adam Lord '03 was picked as the Patriot League's pre-season defensive player of the year. Lord had an outstanding season in 2001, recording 42 tackles, five of them sacks. The Bison will be counting on their defensive line to set the tone for a team that has endless potential.

"I am very confident in the defense," kicker Chris Lundberg '03 said.

"The defensive coaches are really intense, and are doing a great job with the guys," Ken Lockard '03 said.

On the offensive side of the ball, the Bison have their veteran quarterback, Todd Wenrich '03, returning for his second season as a starter.

"Wenrich is a mastermind with the offense," tight end Lockard said.

With a new offensive coordinator, Kurt Beathard, Wenrich will be running a more complex offense, a task he has proved he can handle.

Wenrich will be working with many of the same scoring weapons that he became accustomed to last season. Wide outs Albert Marquardt '04 and Jim Horan '04 both return, and should prove to be trouble for opposing secondaries. The Bison have two veteran fullbacks returning in Todd Warmington '03 and Matt Kawczenski '03, and both have the talent to be big contributors for the offense this season. They will be blocking for Jess Brinson '04, who saw a good amount of action last season, and Raphael Darrington '05, who has emerged as a player with a lot of promise in the backfield.

Courtesy of Bucknellian archives

The Bison kick off the season with new players, new uniforms and a new look offense led by Coach Kurt Beathard.

The Bison graduated all but one starter from the dominating offensive line from last season.

"If we are up against a defensive line that is real experienced then we will have to grow up real quick," lineman Joe Bering '04 said. "Gaining confidence early will be key."

The success of the offense will rest heavily on the shoulders of the young offensive line.

"As long as we get it done up front, we should be as good as ever," lineman Jon Scharf '04 said. "We had a good camp, and I think we will surprise a lot of people."

The Bison have gone through a lot of changes on the coaching staff. Dave Kotulski has stepped in for Head Coach Tom Gadd, who is recovering from health problems. Gadd has been at the helm for the Bison for the past seven seasons, and the players have had to work together to help their coach through hard times.

"It is tough on the team, but coach Gadd is tough-willed, and everybody is pulling together," Lundberg said.

The coaching staff has also gotten younger in the off season with the addition of some new assistant coaches.

"The new young coaches are very enthusiastic, and the guys relate well to them. They are doing a great job," Lundberg said.

The Bucknell squad will look to rally together in order to prove its critics wrong this season.

"Once we get into league play we will have to take it one game at a time, everything will be close," Scharf said.

"Right now, we are the underdogs of the league, but I think we are going to surprise some people," Lundberg said.

Men's crew keeps head above water

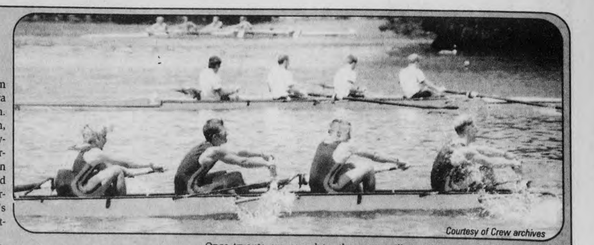
By Ben Pfeiffer
Writer

One year ago, the men of the University's varsity crew team was unsure its program would still exist this fall. In order to satisfy the NCAA's mandate for gender equity, the men's crew program was forced to endure a restrictive roster cap that could have meant the end for a team that thrives on annual growth and expansion. With the hard work and determination of team alumni and current rowers, a solution was developed in the form of a completely new athletic classification, club-varsity.

Working closely with University administration, members of the crew community developed the new classification in an effort to give growing club programs the opportunity to expand and compete without the handicap of limited roster sizes. Under the club-varsity classification, the men's crew program will also have new fundraising opportunities to complement perennial favorites like Rent-A-Rower, as well as access to many of the same benefits enjoyed by varsity athletes at the University.

With all of these new elements in place, the team is poised to begin a new era of growth and national level competition. Under the direction of a new head coach, Derek Updegraff '93, the team began tryouts this past Monday, following an interest meeting last Sunday evening. With an initial turnout of almost 50 men and women interested in rowing or coxing during the coming season, the team's prospects look excellent for a very competitive fall.

"I'm very confident that with the performances we've seen so far from the guys that have tried out, we will have a very large, very competitive novice squad by the end of the week," Team Captain Brian Albert '03 said.



Courtesy of Crew archives

Once tryouts are complete, the team will spend most of September and October training intensively on the Susquehanna River in preparation for their first race in Philadelphia on Oct. 26.

Sports

Men take 3-2 OT win over Robert Morris

Courtesy of Bucknellian archives

Senior Brian Johnson will help to lead the men's soccer team past a disappointing season last year.

By Dave Cohen
Senior Writer

The men's soccer team opened the 2002 season with a thrilling 3-2 overtime win against Robert Morris College on Saturday, Aug. 31. Eric Brunton '06 started his collegiate career off on the right foot, scoring a goal and assisting another.

"We played well, which is something we have struggled with on opening day in the past," Head Coach Brendan Nash said. "The first half we had control of the game. We came out very strong which was our game plan. It was Robert Morris' home opener and we had a four-hour bus ride so we could not afford to start flat."

The Bison got on the board midway through the first half. Chris Beekman '04 laid a pass off to Brunton, who then found Ori Adrabi '05 in front of the net for a 1-0 lead. The Orange and the Blue dominated the first 45 minutes of play and earned another goal from Brunton just four minutes later. John Hemmert '05 chipped the ball to Brunton, who sprung from the Colonial's defense and shot the ball between the goalie's legs and into the back of the net.

"It's my job as a forward to score goals," Brunton said. "I was just doing my job."

"Our two center midfielders, Nick Taylor '03 and Ori Adrabi, dictated the flow of the whole game," Nash said. "They both played great offensively and defensively. We went up 2-0 on two nice goals from Adrabi and Eric Brunton."

Bucknell's shutout in the first half was stripped away from them with a Colonial goal at the 7:12 minute marker. The Bison, in hopes of a third goal, got caught in their offensive third of the field resulting in a 2-1 score before the half.

The second half of the game remained scoreless until a penalty kick was called against the Bison with 9:29 remaining in the match. The Colonials were able to put the ball past the Bison's goalie, Adam Edwards '06 to tie the game at two. Both teams remained to scoreless for the rest of the game and headed into overtime.

"The whole overtime we high-pressured Robert Morris and kept the play in their half. With about 1:30 to go the Colonials had a counter attack breakaway and Adam Edwards made the save of the game. From the save we countered," Nash said. "Ori put freshman Scott Visnic in on a breakaway. The goalkeeper came out, got the ball and upended Visnic. Jon Hemmert saved the ball from going out and served a ball far post to Nick Taylor. Nick did a great job of keeping the ball in play heading it back to the penalty spot. At this time Visnic had gotten off the ground and made a run to the penalty spot and flicked the winner into the net."

The Bison finished the game with a 3-2 win and commenced the season with a record of 1-0. The players are pleased with their play and hope to continue to play well throughout the season.

"We got off to a good start," Alex Far '05 said. "We came out with urgency and stepped it up in overtime. That builds character on the team and it showed how hard we work day in and day out."

The Orange and Blue expect to make good things happen this year. The team's depth has increased with the new addition of the freshman class and the leadership is stronger than it has been in the past.

"We have big expectations this year. Last year we had great skill but lacked chemistry and intensity," Nash said. "The team is different because everyone now understands we can only win on skill and hard work not one or the other. Last season left a bad taste in our mouths, because everyone knew we were better than our record. This year we want to prove not only was last year a fluke, but we have improved dramatically. The Patriot League is up for grabs once again and I believe we have just as good of chance as anyone to win the trophy."

There are five new first-year students added to the 2002 roster. The coaching staff believes that all five will have a strong impact on the men's program for the next four years. The coaches are also depending on the three captains to help lead the young squad to become a fortified force.

"King is the leader of the defense. He is a smart player and quietly leads in the little ways. Taylor is our center midfielder," Nash said. "He is the engine of the team. He leads the play every day (offensively and defensively) in practice and games and shows others what we need. Ryan is the emotional leader of the group. In practice and games he is always giving 100 percent and asking/demanding the same of his teammates.

"Between the three of them we cover all of the different personalities on the team. It is also important that the rest of the program is willing to be led. We have put our egos aside for the better of the team this year. We have great leaders, but it is a group of student-athletes who want to be led to a championship, which makes the captains job easier and more rewarding."

The Bison continue their season play with away games against Binghamton on Wednesday, Sept. 4 and the Bulls Fall Classic tournament in Buffalo, N.Y., Sept. 7-8.

Courtesy of Bucknellian Archives

Volleyball starts 1-2

By Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

The Bison volleyball team launched its season this past weekend at the University of Buffalo's Hampton Inn-vitational, emerging from the tournament with a 1-2 record. The Bison contested their first match of the year on Friday against Canisus, and continued play on Saturday as they faced Buffalo and Coastal Carolina.

Although they dropped the first game to Canisus, the Bison battled back with two victories of their own to establish a 2-1 lead. The Golden Griffins proved difficult to dispose of, as they rallied to tie the game at 2-2. The Orange and Blue closed the deal in the fifth game, as they dominated Canisus with a 15-7, errorless effort in the final game. Leading the Bison charge were Brandi Trapasso '04 with 23 digs and 16 kills and Melanie Ghiz '03 with 24 kills. Jennifer Wrigley '03 also had a hand in the victory, tallying 15 kills and 18 digs.

Saturday's matches did not yield the same success as Friday's contest, as the Bison fell to both teams they faced. In the first match, the Orange and Blue took on the host, Buffalo, and fell by a score of three games to two. Breean Trapasso '04 and Ghiz kept the Bison alive with 43 assists and 17 kills, respectively. Brandi Trapasso contributed 22 digs.

In the second match of the day, the Bison were stymied by the Coastal Carolina Chanticleers, who swept the Orange and Blue by a score of 3-0. The Chanticleers went on to be crowned tournament champions. Wrigley had 11 kills and 16 digs in the match, while Brandi Trapasso had 17 digs. Breean Trapasso had 35 assists.

Although the Bison dropped the last two matches, the tournament showcased some of the potential on the squad this year. Ghiz and Brandi Trapasso were both named to the Hampton Inn-vitational All Tournament Team.

The team looks to regain a winning record this weekend in the Stony Brook tournament with Providence and Saint Francis on Sept. 6 and 7.

Cross-country ready to defend PL title

By Aaron DeRosa
Sports Editor

The Bison cross country programs are poised to continue their tradition of excellence into another season, as they prepare to launch the 2002 campaign in the Spiked Shoe Invitational at Penn State this Saturday. The women's team will take its first step in defending its four-year reign as Patriot League Champions, while the men's squad looks to regain top status in the league after finishing second to Army for the past two years.

Leading the charge for the Lady Bison is Theresa Dennis '03, who capped off an impressive season last year with a 73rd place finish in the NCAA Championship race. Her effort resulted in the highest finish ever achieved by a female Bucknell runner at the National competition. Dennis looks to continue her success this year and lead the Orange and Blue to another season of League domination. Helping her guide the Bison into battle will be Nikki Piper '03, who placed 30th in the Patriot League meet last season.

Although the team lost four of its top five finishers from last year's championship team to graduation, there are many young runners eager to step up and take the reins. Fifteen letter winners are returning from last year, including a strong sophomore class that has matured over the past year. In addition to the veterans, a massive first-year class will be vying for a chance to help the varsity squad in its quest for a fifth championship.

The men's team is hoping to return to league champion status after two years of finishing as the runner-up to a powerful Army team. Much of the Bison's hope rests on the shoulders of co-captain Greg Costello '03, who snatched an individual bid to Nationals last year after an impressive seventh-place effort in the regional meet. Bryan Johnston '03 looks to repeat his performance from last year's league championship meet, where he led the Bison with his fifth-place finish. The men will benefit from the experience of 23 returning letter winners, as well as from the addition of nine new first-year students to the roster.

Head Coach Kevin Donner will be at the helm of both championship drives, as he enters his second year as head coach of the cross country and track and field programs.

Both teams travel to Penn State this Saturday to compete in the Spiked Shoe Invitational, their first race of the year.

Poor start doesn't dim hope

Courtesy of Bucknellian archives

The field hockey squad hopes to bounce back from a disappointing 2001 campaign when they finished 7-10.

By Meghann Chipko
Senior Writer

After losing an important senior class and coming from a losing (7-10) season, the 2002 Bucknell women's field hockey team has room to be skeptical about the upcoming season. The players and coaching staff refuse to back down from this year's challenge.

The Bison have a busy schedule to kick off the 2002 season—they have already played teams from both Central Michigan and Monmouth. Though they began the season with an 0-2 start, many feel that the "adjusting" time is over and the team is ready to take on Drexel, its next opponent.

"Coming off two losses, our next game against Drexel will serve as an indicator for how the season should progress," Lindsay Knoll '05 said. "In our first two games we looked well-organized, but I feel like we need a little more spark to get going this season, and I hope we can find that in our next few games."

Meiko Boynton '05 is especially eager to see what will come.

"We got off to a rough start, but I feel that with our talent pool this year, there is only room for progress," she said. "I'm really excited to see what we can do in our next couple games."

Boynton is not the only one revved up and ready to go; only five players who saw significant playtime last year remain, and a lot of the sophomores and first-year students are ready to step up and take control of the season.

Kelly O'Brien '06 is showing a lot of potential so far. Her knack for scoring and agility on the field are assets that Head Coach Heather Lewis is looking for in the starting lineup.

The sophomore class also has a lot of potential to step up and lead the team this year. Boynton had time in 17 games last year, always "creating" on the field with her talented stick-handling; she has scored 3 goals thus far, including the Bison's first goal of the 2002 season. Knoll, known for her quickness on the field, is ready to make a difference with her improved shooting.

The Bison should also get a considerable boost from returning seniors Amy Marvel and Sonja Wettergreen. Marvel, senior captain and a four-year starter, will be an important leader for the team playing out of the center midfield, and All-Patriot League goalkeeper Wettergreen should also be a key in Bucknell's success.

The next game is in Philadelphia on Wednesday at 1 p.m. against Drexel University.

TO ANY ATHLETE
~Anonymous

There are little eyes upon you,
And they're watching night and day;
There are little ears that quickly
Take in every word you say;
There are little hands all eager
To do anything you do;
And a little girl who's dreaming
Of the day she'll be like you.
You're the wisest of the wise,
In her mind about you,
No suspicions ever rise;
She believes in you devoutly,
Holds that all you say and do
She will say and do, in your way
When she's grown-up like you.
There's a wide-eyed little girl,
Who believes you're always right,
And her ears are always open,
And she watches day and night;
You are setting an example
Every day in all you do,
For the little girl who's waiting
To grow up to be like you!!!

Bison Sports Calender

Field Hockey
v. Colgate
Saturday, Sept. 7
Mods Fields
12 p.m.

Women's Soccer
v. Delaware St
Wednesday, Sept. 11
Mods Fields
4 p.m.

M & W X-Ctry
@ Penn St
Spike Shoe Invitational
Saturday, Sept. 7
4 p.m.

Football
@ Duquesne
Pittsburgh, PA
Saturday, Sept. 7
1 p.m.

Sports

Cecily Cairns Classic Corner

Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

Nothing says summer like a minor-league baseball promotional stunt. Whether it's the baby-races between the third and fourth innings, a live appearance by the highly-revered entity known as Spongebob Squarepants or an all-out aberration of good taste like Jim Traficant night, the farm-team spectacles continue to hold up a tradition that would make Bill Veeck proud.

On rare occasion, such events may transcend the simplicity of mindless entertainment, captivating the media and fans alike with their complex storylines and unequivocal historical significance. One such event could only be looked upon as an "instant classic," destined to be retold and relived in all its vibrant glory for years to come.

Well, perhaps not years ... but the third annual installment of Man vs. Beast: Red Wings Derby did keep the fans buzzing for several innings. Maybe even a couple of days.

The event, which was inaugurated at Frontier Field in 2000, traditionally pits a Rochester Red Wings (AAA International League) player against a once-in-a-lifetime opponent in a grueling test of foot-speed and instant acceleration. The players have changed through the three installments, but the challenger has become a familiar face to the Rochester faithful—a very long familiar face. This daunting piece of athletic machinery is known to most as Zippy Chippy, and he's acquired a faithful following of sports enthusiasts from around the country.

He may be the best story in horse racing, and his trainer, Felix Monserrate, is making sure that he snags a few headlines on the professional baseball front as well. Why is Zippy, a scrawny-looking gelding with the grace of a dump truck, so famous? Because he knows how to lose. Very well. You won't hear any whiny excuses or cries of injustice (a la pampered media-darling War Emblem) from Zippy's camp. No, there are no excuses for Zippy Chippy. He just stinks.

While his losing ways have paved the path to fame for the 11-year-old plodder—Zippy Chippy is winless in an astounding 94 career races—Man vs. Beast III would ask him to do something he wasn't very well accustomed to: win.

Instead of Thoroughbreds, he was slated to face outfielder Darnell McDonald in a 45-yard dash. You may recall from Man vs. Beast II that Zippy actually had the upper hand in this matchup, after he shamed the young ballplayer with a come-from-behind defeat in 2001. McDonald was eager for revenge, but fate would see to it that he didn't get any chances to even the score, as a slight hamstring pull caused him to step aside.

Formidable base-stealer Brian Roberts accepted the challenge in his place, but the dominating presence of Zippy Chippy alone prompted Roberts to scratch himself moments before the duel with "flu-like symptoms." And so the dignity of the Red Wings was left in the hands of outfielder Larry Bigbie.

The two squared off a few minutes before game-time on Aug. 22, before a zealous crowd of 8,356 spectators. Bigbie, perhaps overwhelmed by the profundity of the contest, jumped the countdown and then faltered during his first few steps, allowing the bay whirlwind to streak by him and stride away to a four-length trumping that can only be described as Secretariat-esque.

Bigbie, his spirit humbled, pointed some of the blame at the mucky condition of the track. "The wet field had me a little scared," claimed the befuddled outfielder. Sure Larry, it was the wet field.

It will be another year until the two get a chance to duke it out over the sod in Rochester again, but in the meantime both will continue with business as usual. Zippy Chippy dropped his #1 Red Wings saddle cloth for a slot against his fellow equines in the first race at Northampton Fairground on Aug. 31, where he went right back to doing what he does best—finishing last, 20-some lengths behind the winner.

And what will become of poor Larry Bigbie? With the Red Wings abysmal season ending on Sept. 2, he'll have to settle for something perhaps more humiliating than losing to the world's worst race horse: playing for the Baltimore Orioles, who have cruised through a pretty impressive losing streak of their own over the past two weeks. Sure, he'll enjoy his stint in "the Show," as he plugs away as a pinch-hitter or part-time player during the waning weeks of the major league season, but will he ever forget that rainy day in August?

Perhaps when the late innings drag on and he grows weary of watching majestic home runs arch their way into the stands behind him, his mind will drift off to dreams of a brighter future, of what might have been had that field not turned up muddy on Aug. 22, had he not bobbled at the start. Alas, it will remain a mystery, and will surely stand as one of the greatest "what ifs" of our time.

But one thing is for sure. He'd make a hell of an exacta with War Emblem in the World Thoroughbred Championships' Breeder's Cup Classic.

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Aaron DeRosa
Sports Editor

The Commissioner Strikes Back

When I think "unholy succubous of integrity where life is devolved into the oblivion of this windmill samsara we call 'competitive athletics,'" I think of two things: Danny Bonaduce boxing Barry Williams and major league baseball, but at least celebrity boxing didn't vote to contract Paula Jones' meaty left thigh, which is, coincidentally, WAY over the cap.

Major league baseball, as we've been hearing for months now, is at a crossroad. Down one road, we have a system of capitalist anarchy where everyone is free to make and spend as much as they want, or "operation bouillabaisse" as it's called in some circles. This is the athletic equivalent of putting players into one of those giant spheres that blows money around and making them grab as much as they can in 60 seconds. This route is endorsed by the Player's Union and Yankees owner George Steinbrenner. It is also endorsed by convicts, airport vendors, the Ozbournes and various sundry ne'er-do-wells.

The second path is backed by the owners and institutes a luxury tax that will act as a veritable salary cap, curbing high spending by top payroll teams like the Yankees, Braves and Dodgers, or "operation cheapbastard." This is so that teams like the Florida Marlins can spend the absolute minimal amount of money on their teams, so that when John and Jane Baseball-Fan go to games and hand out the mortgage papers to their parent's home to buy two Buds without caps and a box of Cracker Jacks, those profits can go directly into lining the owner's Versace slacks. This plan is also endorsed by Bill Gates, Arthur Anderson, the Riddler, Penguin and Dr. Nefarious.

At the forefront of baseball's impunity is Commissioner Bud Selig, who must have weekly meetings with Satan and Ex-Enron President Jeffrey McMahon on how to be a corrupt despot who feeds off the blood of the weak ... of course, I don't know how much Selig charges them. Keyser Soce looks at Selig and says, "I would not touch that crazy SOB with a 10-foot mafia-pole."

Bud Selig, who holds a remarkable resemblance to Skeletor, is working day and night to hammer out a deal with the federal courts in the hopes that he can procure the secret key to Castle Grayskull before Prince Adam discovers him.

Once he finds the key, he'll be free to contract whatever team he likes, including his favorite "aberration," the Minnesota Twins, who just so happen to be the largest fiscal competitor for the Selig-owned Milwaukee Brewers. Can someone say "conflict of interest?" No, of course not, we're too busy choking on the fact that the players actually want to make MORE money.

Alex Rodriguez, the highest paid player in baseball, who came out last weekend and said he would give a percentage of his earnings back if it would help save baseball, recanted his comments a few days later saying it would be "unrealistic" to give the money back.

You know what's unrealistic, A-Rod? Your faux attempts at being Keanu Reeves a la The Matrix; "the one" who can mystically reunite baseball and propel it into a golden age. Do me a favor A-wipe, shut your smug, pretty-boy, pre-packaged, bobble-head mouth, pick up your paycheck and we'll see you at the Oscars. You want to know why there's no competitive balance in baseball? Check the number of digits on your next paycheck. Now if that number is greater than the number of people in the entire coal-mining industry, then perhaps you need to rethink your stance.

As for the rhetoric from players and owners and commissioners about "doing what's best for baseball," you can stick that in a sack. If you keep saying that you'd do anything for the sport you cherish, then how is it I have to fork over my first-born to get some stadium Skittles: taste the rainbow of bitterness.

I think we need to prioritize here people. We're not talking about bridging the gap between players and owners anymore, how about bridging the gap between fans and the sport. Why are people watching Little League? Those kids SUCK! I haven't seen gloves so stiff since the OJ trial. But people watch because it's supposed to be innocent. There's no money in the system to taint the game. Little Billy isn't throwing a hissy-fit on the mound because he wants another million added to his signing bonus, he just lost his retainer. Errors aren't made on the field because an agent called with a low offer, the poor kid is just despondent because Lisa was sharing a Yoo-Hoo with his best friend Tommy at lunch.

I'm not asking for innocence, because Lord knows that doesn't exist, and I'm not asking for money to be taken out of the game of baseball, because then I'd have to call my bookie, and now is not the right time ... let's just say I thought the Devil Rays would make a go at it. What I AM asking for is a little sanity to set things straight.

Players, stop whining about your contracts. Your average salary has risen from $1.2 million to $2.4 million since 1994. Meanwhile, the wage necessary to live increased from $17,000 to $21,000 in that same time period. I never want to hear you speak about money again.

Owners, stop using "competitive balance" as a shield to mask your own desire to line your pockets. Lower your ticket and vendor prices and we'll pour into your stadiums, no matter how dilapidated they are. Don't use your fans as political leverage to get what you want; it's more telling about your character than a Britney Spears' tube top on an Arctic tour.

However, none of this can take place so long as Darth Selig is still Imperator Supreme. Julius Caesar would faint at the power Bud wields and it's high time someone stepped in and told people to shut their wordholes and do what's right. No more bellyaching and ballyhoo.

Because we have to remember the important things; the fact that there is no crying in baseball. Unless you're a New York Mets fan ... then weep, gentle giant.

NFL back in action

Scott Kloss
Senior Writer

Are you ready for some football?! I'm glad you are, so sit back and get ready for a Cliff Notes version of the NFL 2002-2003 season to come. With every new season, each team is a Super Bowl favorite. In a league where parity is now accepted and dynasties are detested, every team has an honest shot at the Vince Lombardi Trophy. But games are still played and that injury bug can find anyone. There have been quite a number of adjustments to the game and personnel movements over the past off-season, so lets not waste another moment!

Where to begin? Realignment! In an attempt to ease flight travels and create tighter divisional races, upper management has rearranged the divisional structure. Ten teams had to make a jump or move to a new division. Both the AFC and NFC have a North, South, East and West division.

This certainly makes the Arizona Cardinals happy, who move from the NFC East to the NFC West, eliminating their constant 3,000 mile trips across the country for divisional games. And the animated ESPN analyst Chris Berman can now smile knowing he got his wish for a NFC "Norris" Division!

The biggest winner in this transformation is the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, who moved from the NFC Central to the NFC South. Leaving a division with The Packer "Cheeseheads" and "Purple People Eaters" [Vikings] and vaunted Bears' defense will make first-year Head Coach Jon Gruden's task that much easier. The fact that the Bucs have the easiest NFC schedule, facing only six teams with winning records in 2001, doesn't hurt either.

Following suit are the local favorite Pittsburgh Steelers. They take their smash-mouth style of football to the AFC North and in the process avoid divisional play against the always-dangerous Tennessee Titans. With a division consisting of the Bengals, Ravens and Browns, Pittsburgh should start out 6-0.

As far as personnel changes go, the Indianapolis Colts hope that Edgerrin James, Peyton Manning and Marvin Harrison can get on the same page and once again provide an explosive offense. While scoring points won't be a problem for Indianapolis, the defense will have new leadership in Defensive Specialist Coach Tony Dungy who echoes team president Bill Polians' views.

"A team with a dominant defense has the best chance, that's the lesson of free agency," Indianapolis Colts President Bill Polian said. "Now that's not to say that you can't win with a good offense and a mediocre defense—it's just a lot harder."

Taking a similar path, the Dallas Cowboys have done wonders this off-season to shorten the field for quarterback Quincy Carter—Jerry Jones' hand-picked successor to Troy Aikman. Sack specialist La'Roi Glover, who had a total of 25 sacks over the past two seasons, will bolster the front four. The linebackers, who have been the strength of the Cowboys since the Ken Norton days, added Kevin Hardy, a former fifth-round draft pick, to compliment Pro-Bowler Dexter Coakley and Day Nygen and provide what is arguably the fastest set of linebackers in the league. The Cowboys' last line of defense just got meaner, with the addition of first-round selection Roy Williams at free safety. He has stepped into the starting role immediately and brings with him a linebacker's mentality crossed with a cornerback's cover skills, completing a facelift of a defense that ranked a solid fourth last season.

Next is first-year head coach for the Washington Redskins, Steve Spurrier and his "Fun and Gun" offense, which was a big hit in the preseason. Averaging a thrilling 33 points per game, they leave fans wondering if the 'Skins found Spurrier from the Arena Football League! The verdict is still out on this Florida native, but his entire career has been marked with success. It's same to say that the trend will probably continue, even if he has only faced defensive alignments orchestrated in the Pop Warner days so far in the exhibition games.

Courtesy of Reuters

The newcomer Houston Texans enter a radically changed system, on the field and off.

Now for the big question: Who will win the Super Bowl? It's still hard to believe that the Rams lost last year's Super Bowl. One thing shining through though is that the Patriots were a true team in every respect and that makes a sports fan smile.

Last season's Super Bowl reminds me of a question a friend once asked me. He asked this question before the best college football team, say Florida State, and the worst high school football team with professional players Marshall Faulk, Randy Moss, LaVar Harrington, Rich Gannon, Larry Allen, Michael Strahan and Darren Woodsen all coached by Tony Dungy.

This puzzled me for a while, but what he was getting at carries significant weight. An impulsive response is to take the Pro Lead Team, but, as we found out last season, sometimes a "team" does outshine stars at prominent positions. The Patriots' decision to be introduced as a team during player introductions at the Super Bowl was a classy move and was an instant indicator that we were in for something special. But lightning doesn't strike twice in the same spot, right? So I think the Patriots will place near the bottom of the AFC East.

With the scrappy New York Jets, Curtis Martin and Company will continue their upward trend and again place highly in the AFC East, probably falling a little short of Rickey Williams' Miami Dolphins for the division lead. So when all is said and done, I'm taking a quantum leap and picking the Rams to win the Super Bowl! Not only is Marshall Faulk the most dominant player in the league, but Mike Martz has learned from his "Super Debacle" and is more focused than ever to have a defensive presence to get the job done this year.

Welcome to the 2002 season!

NFL Predictions

Justin McCarthy
Senior Editor

New York Jets at Buffalo

The Bills are expected to make a drastic recovery from their 3-13 season a year ago because of the acquisition of all-star quarterback Drew Bledsoe. I truly believe that the Patriots may regret dealing Bledsoe to a division rival. Don't be surprised if they flop, especially if the Bills' suspect offensive line can't protect Bledsoe adequately. The Jets didn't do much to fill the holes in their shaky defense, but they still have Curtis Martin, who remains one of the premier backs in the league. In this old divisional clash, the Jets will win.

Dallas at Houston

Finally, Texas has another football team besides the Cowboys. You know how much those crazy Texans love their football—remember "Varsity Blues?" The Texans will struggle, mainly because of their lack of talent at the skilled offensive positions, although they have a pretty good offensive line. The Cowboys may have had one of the most successful drafts this off-season and managed to plug a few gaps on both sides of the ball. However, they failed to address their quarterback concern. Sorry, but Quincy Carter just cannot get it done. In the end, experience will be the factor that allows Dallas to win this battle for Texas football supremacy.

St. Louis at Denver

The Broncos have one of the top receiving corps in the league, and although Terrel Davis retired, they will still have a great running attack with Gary and Anderson. Denver's only question on offense is whether or not Griese can play a full season. Unfortunately for Denver, the Rams have no questions on offense. Yet the Rams failed to make any moves to better themselves in the off-season, though that may not matter until playoff time. The Rams will win this offensive battle.

Minnesota at Chicago

Most people in Minnesota are glad that Denny Green is finally gone, and upset that Cris Carter decided to retire. However, they still have Culpepper and Moss, two of the most talented players in the league. Alexander will need to prove that he can take some heat off of Moss, and the Vikings as a whole need to prove they can run the ballor play defense. The Bears are the defending division champs, and their passing game has a lot of potential. With a defense led by Urlacher and one of the best linebacking corps, the Bears will be a serious threat. Look for the Bears to prove they were not just a one-year fluke.

Pittsburgh at New England

This is a rematch of last year's AFC Championship game where the Steelers handed the game over to the lowly Patriots. The Steelers were the team to beat in the AFC last season. This year, they return with essentially the same team that had last year's best AFC record. The one question for Pittsburgh remains how Stewart will handle the season. A maturing receiving corps starring Plaxico Burress may finally answer that question. As for the underrated Patriots, this season will test Brady's legitimacy, and more importantly, the team to see if they are more than just one-year-wonders like the 1999 Atlanta Falcons. The Steelers will begin their road to the Super Bowl with a week one manhandling of the defending champion Patriots.

TRIVIA

1. What is the MLB record for most consecutive victories?
2. Who are the only two MLB pitchers to record over 4,000 strikeouts?
3. Who holds the NL record for most innings pitched without surrendering a walk?

1. 26 consecutive wins by the 1916 N.Y. Giants (The Oakland A's are chasing and recently tied the A.L. record of 19 on 9/2/02). 2. Nolan Ryan and Steve Carlton. 3. Greg Maddux, with 72 1/3 innings pitched without a walk.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FRI
Friday
September 6

Samek Art Gallery Exhibit: Öyvind Fahlström: The Complete Graphics and Multiples Samek Gallery (through Oct. 16)

Fourth Sunday Choir Rehearsal, Meditation Chapel
2 p.m.

Hilltop Film Series: Henry Fool, Vaughan Auditorium
4:30 and **8 p.m.**

Panhellenic Recruitment
5 p.m.

Shabbat Service and Dinner, 632 St. George St.
5:30 p.m.

Aviation Enthusiast Club Interest Meeting, Rooke 116
5:30 p.m.

Christians in Action Meeting, McDonnell 241
6 p.m.

Susquehanna Valley Mall Shuttle, LC
6 p.m.

Mentalist: Alan Nub, Bison
9 p.m.

Uptown
9:30 p.m.

ACE Film: "Queen of the Damned," LC Forum
10:30 p.m.

Lewisburg First Friday: Live at the Brynwood, Brynwood Room, South 6th Street, Lewisburg
11 p.m.

Late Night Music: Brad Yoder, 7th Street Café
11 p.m.

SAT
Saturday
September 7

Jelani Interest Meeting, Fieldhouse Dance Studio
1 p.m.

Wal-Mart Shuttle, LC
1, **2** and **3 p.m.**

Susquehanna Valley Mall Shuttle, LC
3 and **6 p.m.**

Anime Society Viewing, LC 301
4 p.m.

Catholic Mass, Rooke Chapel
5:30 p.m.

Game Show Mania, Bison
9 p.m.

Uptown: Phantom Planet
9:30 p.m.

ACE Film: "Black Hawk Down," Rooke Chapel Lawn
10:30 p.m.

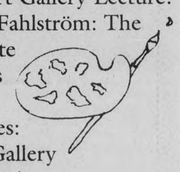
SUN
Sunday
September 8

Friends Meeting, Smith Library
10:30 a.m.

Interdenominational Worship Service, Rooke Chapel
11 a.m.

Bucknell Dance Company and Choreographers' Showcase Auditions, Tustin Dance Studio
2-5 p.m.

Samek Art Gallery Lecture: Öyvind Fahlström: The Complete Graphics and Multiples: Samek Gallery
4 p.m.



Catholic Mass: Rooke Chapel
4 p.m.

Anime Society Viewing, LC 301
5 p.m.

Circle K Meeting, LC 302
6:30 p.m.

Fefu and Her Friends Auditions, Tustin Studio Theatre (All Female)
7-9 p.m.

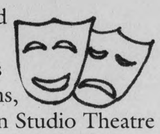
West Branch Fiction Reading: Edith Pearlman, Bucknell Hall
8 p.m.

Catholic Mass, Larison Dining Hall
10 p.m.

MON
Monday
September 9

Zen Meditation, Meditation Chapel
4 p.m.

Panhellenic Recruitment
5 p.m.



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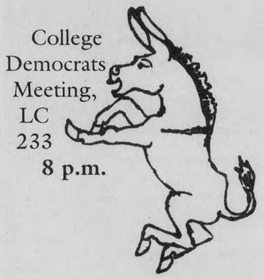
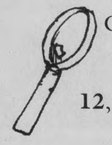


College Democrats Meeting, LC 233
8 p.m.

TUE
Tuesday
September 10



CDC Job Search Strategies, LC 213
12, **4** and **6 p.m.**

Hillel Lecture: A Young Israeli's View of Present-day Israel, Zoe Weiman-Kelman, Olin Science Auditorium
7 p.m.

Bucknell Brigade Session, LC 301
7 p.m.

SAAB Meeting, LC 301
8 p.m.

Panhellenic Recruitment
11:45 p.m.

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WED
Wednesday
September 11

Samek Art Gallery Installation: Artist, Object, Installation, Meaning: Randy Williams, Samek Art Gallery

Observance: 9-11-01: Remembrance, Reflection, Renewal, behind Rooke Chapel
5 p.m.

Christians in Action Meeting, McDonnell 242
6:30 p.m.

9-11-01 Mass, behind Rooke Chapel
10 p.m.

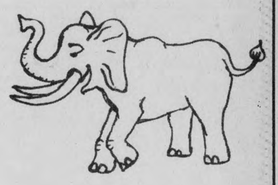
Jewish Ma'ariv Service, 632 St. George St.
10 p.m.

ACE Film: "The Royal Tenenbaums," Vaughan Lit
10:30 p.m.

THU
Thursday
September 12

Fourth Sunday Rehearsal, Meditation Chapel
5:30 p.m.

Conservatives Club Meeting, Taylor 115
8 p.m.



The Well Worship Service, LC 213
8:30 p.m.

Information on *The Bucknellian* Calendar

This issue marks the kickoff of *The Bucknellian's* first "Calendar section." Events here were compiled from Reservations, Information and Conference Services (RICS), Activities and Campus Events (ACE) and the Office of Public Relations. In the future, please feel free to submit event information (event name, day and time, location) to **bucknellian@bucknell.edu**, using "Bucknellian Calendar" as the subject.

The sporting event calendar continues to run in the Sports section, this week on page B2.

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FEATURES

An Abroad Perspective: Semester at Sea

Courtesy of Katie Kleissas

Castle of the Counts in Ghent, Belgium.

Courtesy of Katie Kleissas

Panoramic view from the top of the belfry in the medieval town of Brugge, Belgium.

BY KATIE KLEISSAS
Contributing Writer

This summer I traveled in Europe with the Semester At Sea program as my study abroad. In a span of 10 weeks, I sailed on the MTS World Renaissance around the coast of Europe, porting in nine different countries: Greece, Spain, Ireland, Norway, Russia, Poland, Belgium, Italy, and Croatia. We spent four to five days in port, traveling and experiencing the countries, and two to six days on the ship sailing between the countries. I took classes while on the ship. Here's just one of the many adventures I experienced.

July 27, 2002 10 a.m.
Sitting on a Belgian train

This morning I decided to go to Brugge. It is only a two-hour train ride from Antwerp and the tickets were cheap, so here I am speeding past the Belgian countryside. This is what I love about Semester at Sea and about studying abroad: the freedom and the ability to constantly be moving. I don't think I've ever stayed in one place in Europe for more than two days since I arrived in Athens seven weeks ago. There is always some new building to see or street to wander down or water to sail on. When you're visiting nine countries in two months, you've got to move.

Trains seem almost magical to me, despite the old orange leather seats sticking to my legs and the large dingy windows in the car. You step inside of a train and then with a roll of the wheels and the lurch of your seat, you are off and away, arriving in another part of the country, or even a different country, if the wheels roll for long enough. It's thrilling to be able to pass by people's homes and heartlands like this. I'm extra excited/nervous/free on this trip, because I am doing it alone. Just me and my train ticket across the country of Belgium. At first I was rather intimidated by traveling alone, but now I crave it. Traveling alone is a completely different experience than traveling with a group. There is no American comfort zone. There are no distractions. Without a traveling buddy to confine yourself to, you can really observe the scene you are in and strike up a conversation with people around you. The old couple across from me was eager to use their English when telling me about a music festival at Ghent that they were going to. A grandmother was playing cards with her young grandson behind me, instructing him in what sounded like Flemish, a version of Dutch. I love hearing the different languages of Europe. It's like an audio garden; each sound has its own color, its own shape and form, distinct and not familiar. When you are traveling alone, all you can do is listen, and the garden is all the more richer.

We are rolling into the Brugge station now.

July 27, 2002 13:30
Sitting at a café in Brugge's main square

What a beautiful town! Brugge is a perfectly preserved medieval town, which means that all the streets are narrow and cobblestone and that large stone buildings are all the rage. There are towers and turrets everywhere!

The first thing I did was go on a canal ride, for Brugge is littered with calm canals and quaint bridges. Unlike the usual steel skyscrapers that form the skyline in American cities, Brugge's skyline is dominated by two extraordinary structures, the Church of Our Lady's and the belfry. I went to the Church, because Michelangelo's *Madonna* was on display.

The Church itself was incredible. It has huge ceilings and a decorative altar. The voices of singing monks floated through the air, lulling the atmosphere into one of serene feelings. On the right-hand side of the church, the *Madonna* statue stands on its own alter with the Last Supper painted behind it. She looked serene and quiet, as if she too can hear the monks. The experience was not as awe-inspiring as when I saw his *David* in Florence, but beautiful in its own way. I climbed to the top of the belfry after lunch.

The square I am sitting in is Brugge's main square, and by far one of the largest I have seen in Europe. It is probably bigger than three football fields. The side of the square is lined with cafés advertising fresh mussels and fish. To the right is a street of lace stores (Belgian lace is world famous) and souvenir shops. Directly across from the cafés is the imposing gray stone belfry. To the left is a majestic and very large white stone castle now used for the town offices and courthouse.

And the people! Oh, they are everywhere in this square. Many are waiting in line for carriage rides, while others are sitting and talking in the cafés. Couples holding hands and families in loud groups are simply walking around the square, while children stop to gawk at the juggler and the mimes. There is such a flurry of tourist activities that even the pigeons look startled.

For lunch, I had piping hot Flemish stew and cold Belgian white beer. Eating in all these great open-air cafés throughout the summer made it hard to go back to the caf.

July 27, 2002 6:30 p.m.
Back on the train

I was frazzled walking back to the train station on time because I became lost in thought about my great European adventure. Suddenly, I realized that I was literally lost as well! Fortunately, my keen sense of direction and amazing map-reading skills, just discovered this summer, got me quickly to the station, and I only had to wait an extra 15 minutes for the late train. I'm not complaining because it was the nicest train ever! Its carpeted floors, large cushioned seats, cool air and elevator music calmed me down.

July 27, 2002 6:37 p.m.
Back on the SECOND CLASS train

Oops. I knew it was too good to last. Seven minutes of first class. I honestly didn't even realize that I had gotten on the wrong car. The mean ticket guy was going to make me pay more money, but I only had a single Euro coin left! I think my heart was beating faster than the train was moving. Fortunately, he lightened up and allowed me to slink back to second-class, leaving the transportation paradise behind. Second class isn't that bad, but it's not as serene. Traveling lesson No. 546: Don't spend all your Euros on ice cream. You just might need them to get home. Traveling lesson No. 547: If it's too good to be true, it's probably first-class.

The rest of my time in Brugge was lovely. After lunch, I walked up the dizzying 366 steps to reach the top of the belfry. 366! And these ain't no carpeted stairs either. The staircase was extremely narrow and circular with smooth stone steps. People could only go up or go down one at a time; traffic could not safely go both ways on those steps. I had to climb a bit, and then wait on a ledge for other people to pass, then climb again, then wait again.

Finally, I made it to the gear room, just below the top where the bells are. It was 4 p.m. when I got there, and I could see the great gears spinning and clicking in a mechanical effort to ring the bells. In that room, I could barely hear the bells, but as I ascended the last remaining stairs and stepped into the top of the tower, their mighty ringing thundered through my body. Oh the view! I could see all of Brugge plus the country around it from that height. The canals, the orange-tiled roofs, the church steeples, the roads cutting through great clusters of buildings.

I love surveying the world like this. I'd be a great bird. The world seemed so big, yet looked so small. The land stretched for kilometers, making the town buildings tinier in perspective. I tried to imagine the thrill of a person in medieval times, having never been on a plane or having never seen SkyCam news, must have felt being that high up. Eventually, I descended the stairs, which again involved a lot of waiting and shuffling past people, trying not to lose my step.

Courtesy of Katie Kleissas

Kleissas standing in front of the Powerhouse Gardens in County Wicklow, Ireland.

Once I was back on the ground, I wandered around the streets for a while, looking in shops and eating ice cream. I think ice cream is a separate and necessary food group for Europeans. I, of course, ran into Semester At Sea students that I knew. No matter how hard you try, you just can't get away from them. Ah well.

That day was fabulous. There is a certain sense of pure and exhilarating freedom when you travel across a country and make it back to where you started. The town of Brugge is unlike any place I have ever seen. Now it is a fantastic memory like no other I hold.

The rows of green trees and fields give way to brick houses and dead-end streets as I approached the Antwerp station. The train slackened its pace, seeming to heave a sigh of relief at the thought of its home destination. Passengers packed up their books and drinks and headed for the door.

There was a final click of the wheels and then the train stopped. People filtered out of the train, chattering and laughing about the ride and their trips. The train car was empty, but resonating with the life that had just filled it. Resonating with life that moves.

When I go back to the University, I know people are going to ask, "How was your summer?" I will think of moments like that, sitting there on an empty train, bubbling over with enlightened emotions, wide-eyed from the new sights and itching to stay on the move. I will smile slightly and say, "Oh, I was simply traveling," as if there was anything simple about it.

McDayter and Nyquist rewarded for teaching excellence

BY JOLENE HART
Managing Editor

For Ghislaine McDayter, professor of English and assistant dean at the University, love of literature, talent for teaching, the passion to continue learning and a measure of flexibility have each contributed to her perpetual success in and out of the classroom.

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Ghislaine McDayter

At the University's graduation ceremony in May 2002, McDayter was honored as one of two recipients of the Presidential Award for Teaching Excellence, highlighting her outstanding achievements in teaching. During the award presentation, University President Steffen Rogers' citation recognized McDayter "for bringing good humor, sharp intelligence and a genuine passion for learning to her teaching."

McDayter's contributions greatly impressed the selection committee, and the citation acknowledged that, "She focuses on her teaching goals and constantly refines her teaching methods, pushing herself and her students to new levels of excellence."

It is clear that after just five years of teaching at the University, McDayter has already made a lasting impression on staff and students. Julianna Pietak '04 has enrolled in two of McDayter's English courses.

"Professor McDayter's enthusiasm and animated teaching style takes what may originally seem to be an outrageous interpretation and makes it real. She makes you think creatively and critically about aspects of the text you never considered and is able to teach in an excited yet approachable way," Pietak said.

John Rickard, English department chairperson, also spoke highly of McDayter. "In five years she has become one of the most effective and sought-after teachers and advisers at the University. Students are aware of her deep knowledge of subject and her ability to convey excitement and enthusiasm that comes from her love of the material. To me, that is what defines the best professors in a field," Rickard said.

Apart from her duties as a professor of English, McDayter works as assistant dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. Elaine Garrett, Associate Dean, commented on McDayter's contributions as a Dean.

"We were excited for her presence in this office," Garrett said. "She works well with students, understands the University's policies and is always a good team player."

McDayter is Canadian-born and spent her undergraduate years at the University of Toronto, later enrolling in Duke University as a graduate student. While working toward her Ph.D., McDayter chose to concentrate her studies on the Gothic writers of the Romantic period, particularly Lord Byron and Percy Bysshe Shelley.

It was also during her time as a graduate student that McDayter resolved that she would teach. "My father was a teacher of English and I spent time in his classroom when I was younger," McDayter said. "But in graduate school I knew."

Her specialties as an English professor are broad, encompassing the genres of 18th and 19th century English and romantic literature, as well as literary theory and gender studies. Some of the courses she regularly teaches at the University include The Early English Novel, Victorian Literature and English Romanticism.

McDayter's favored authors in the classroom, Bram Stoker, Shelley, Virginia Woolf and Mary Wollstonecraft, are reflections of her affinity for both the romantic and the innovative aspects of English literature.

McDayter encourages students to become familiar with different literary periods through historical studies that add context to particular works of literature. She also hopes that students see reading as an enjoyable activity, regardless of the text.

"Students should become accustomed to the pleasure of reading. If it is necessary to read a particular text for a course, carry it with you and indulge in it rather than see it as a chore," McDayter said.

Though McDayter enjoys teaching all genres of English, she has never strayed far from her passion. "Byron tends to be where I always return," she affirms.

She has found that her teaching career allows her to maintain her studies on Byron, among others, and continually progress academically. McDayter has already published several collections and articles and recently edited a Bucknell Review on psychoanalysis and romanticism.

The current product of McDayter's research and study is a book that explores Lord Byron and the acclaim he experienced during his career. She hopes to publish the book, entitled Convulsions in Rhyme, in the near future. Regarding her experiences in the classroom, McDayter is quick to point out that flexibility is an invaluable tool.

"Every class, every group of students is different. It is important to adjust modes of teaching to reflect the unique chemistry," McDayter said.

It seems that this methodology has only helped McDayter to flourish in her profession, earning her a distinguished place in the eyes of the University community.

BY JOSIE CETTA
Features Editor

Sally Nyquist, Associate Professor of Biology, received one of two Presidential Awards for Teaching Excellence awarded by President Rogers at Commencement on May 19, 2002.

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Sally Nyquist

Created in 1998, the award recognizes the outstanding achievement of faculty members with superior teaching techniques. Nyquist also was awarded the Burma-Bucknell Award for Promoting Intercultural and International Understanding, along with Sofia Abraham '02.

"Professor Nyquist was very approachable in and outside of class," said student Trisha Elseroad '04. "She cared about all of her students and never hesitated to go out of her way to help a student."

Nyquist has taught at the University for 30 years. Prior to that, Nyquist spent a year in India on a Fulbright Senior Lectureship. Following her undergraduate degree, Nyquist spent two years in the Philippines through the Peace Corps, where she worked with the Bureau of Public Schools in a General Science Curriculum Development program for ninth grade students.

Nyquist believes that her experiences in Third World countries helps her to better understand the changes that international students at the University go through. She is always willing to lend them a helping hand.

"Working with international students is as much for yourself as it is for them," Nyquist said.

Nyquist's experiences in the Philippines also inspired her to teach. Nyquist offers a foundation seminar called Supermarket Biology, which focuses on first-year student development in areas such as critical thinking skills, writing, speaking, collaborative group work and use of the computer and Internet. The class looks at issues that can arise from a supermarket, such as the content on nutritional labels, food additives and looking at vegetarian and non-vegetarian diets.

"In her very popular foundation seminar on Supermarket Biology, Nyquist helps students hone informed critical thinking skills which they can appreciate the rest of their lives," the citation at Commencement said.

Nyquist also teaches cell biology, where students are responsible for maintaining a cell culture line.

Students feed the cells and transfer them to new flasks, tasks which require students to return to the lab regularly.

"I want University students to become passionate about biology, to get hooked on the discipline and begin to think like biologists," Nyquist said.

Nyquist also teaches Micro-Anatomy. According to Nyquist, upon completion of this course, students should be able to recognize and understand tissue sections obtained from any part of the body.

"Students taking this class learn to think three-dimensionally at a two-dimensional piece of tissue," Nyquist said.

Nyquist plans to retire in two years to a life of traveling, gardening and possibly volunteer teaching.

"The rewards of teaching lay in the interactions with students—to be able to watch students with time, see where they go and what they do," Nyquist said.

FEATURES

Reflections: Orientation 2002

First-Year Student

BY KATIE MULRINE
Contributing Writer

Like many other first-year students, many thoughts raced through my mind as I arrived on campus on Friday, Aug. 23. Will I have fun? Will I like it here? Will I miss home? My nervousness and excitement increased.

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Starting at check-in, lasting right up until I fell asleep, eager for classes to start on Wednesday, orientation left no room for doubt that my time here would be amazing.

There was no time for homesickness or boredom. I was too busy arranging my room and meeting my hall mates.

I was having too much fun at Playfair, watching comedy skits, listening to talented, entertaining musicians and trying out my artistic talent at the Craft Center.

Guided from lectures to lunch and from meals to matriculation by my wonderfully cheerful and helpful OA's, I became acquainted with and took in the sights of this beautiful campus.

I experienced the beauty of the sun setting over Rooke Chapel, and was charmed by the lovely reception by the cute, cozy town of Lewisburg.

Though a little overwhelming at times, Orientation provided a wonderful welcome to the University. It gave me the opportunity to turn complete strangers into friends. It made a huge unknown campus feel like home.

There were smiles waiting for me everywhere. They could be found in a brightly colored t-shirt, on the faces of the faculty and staff or the others, like me, trying to find their place in this community.

Each place, opportunity and person I have encountered so far has become a tiny picture in my developing mosaic of experiences here at the University.

Orientation 2002 was not only an introduction to the University; it was an introduction to a whole new world with an ever-expanding palette of opportunities and experiences for all of us to embrace.

Orientation Assistant

BY JUNAID HASHIM
Contributing Writer

Friday, Aug. 23, 2002 — The University's Class of 2006 arrived at the place widely regarded as one that will change their lives forever ... college! In the early morning, first year students come, having left behind everything and everyone they held dear for the last 18 years. They're immediately flung into the deep end of the pool, and it was my job as an orientation assistant (OA) to ease them back into the shallow end.

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An OA's success is dependent on the guidance he gets from the higher powers of the orientation hierarchy, which this year consisted of Assistant Dean of Students Amy Badal, Orientation Coordinator Jonathan Lang and Assistant Orientation Coordinator Patricia Elseroad.

In our first orientation meeting, I was awestruck at the rigorous training and orientation schedule presented. If anything, it manifested in all of us that Orientation was being taken seriously this year. We were expected to be dedicated to the care-taking of the first-year students and also have some serious fun at the same time.

If we could be dedicated, we would create a high-energy atmosphere that would keep the first-year students enthused throughout orientation.

We succeeded in creating an energetic atmosphere in events such as Playfair and the ever-popular Color Games. Of course, our efforts would've amounted to nothing without the cooperation of the first-year students themselves, and this year, they reached out for our hands and helped us to move them into the shallow end.

It was definitely harder for the first-year students to find energy than it was for the OAs. I can't know for certain where the first-year students got it from, but I'm thankful to all of them for showing up bursting with energy.

For us, the energy came as Badal, Lang and Elseroad addressed us in the Inspirational Meeting early Friday morning, visibly tired from a summer's worth of dedicated work. We felt that we owed it to them to go above and beyond the call of duty and make this the most successful Orientation program to date.

This was never better illustrated than when people parted like the Red Sea on the stairwells in Smith Hall as Joey "Moses" Alfano solely carried a refrigerator half his size up two flights of stairs into the room of a first-year student. It's experiences like this which show the true spirit of Orientation 2002. It was a great time!

Music piracy blamed for music slump

BY LINDSAY BETZENDAHL
Senior Writer

As the age of the Internet hits full throttle, there begins a spawn of Websites capable of allowing users to download MP3's, the computer format for music files. Possibly, shifting the age of the store-bought CD aside. Many have heard the complaints record labels and musicians have made about "stealing" free music off the Internet and the subsequent decline in CD sales.

Is the music industry's slump due solely to the new rave of high-speed music downloads or are there other variables, such as the recessing economy, that might also be attributing to the drastic fall in music sales?

Most Americans who have access to the Internet have most certainly heard about Web-based music downloading sites such as Napster, Scour, Audiogalaxy, Kazaa, or Imesh along with many others. *The San Francisco Chronicle* reported that according to a survey by the research firm Odyssey, an average of 31 percent of U.S. Internet users over the age of 16, accounting for about 40 million people, have downloaded music during the last six months. The same group has downloaded an average of 11 songs per week.

As many music-savvy people know, it is convenient to download free songs in a matter of seconds and then burn a blank CD with a few mouse clicks.

With the access of free music, people would be more inclined to record their own CD's, rather than spend the money and time to go out and buy one. There has been debate that the accessibility to music on the Internet has brought many previously unknown artists into the limelight, initiating people to buy the entire album.

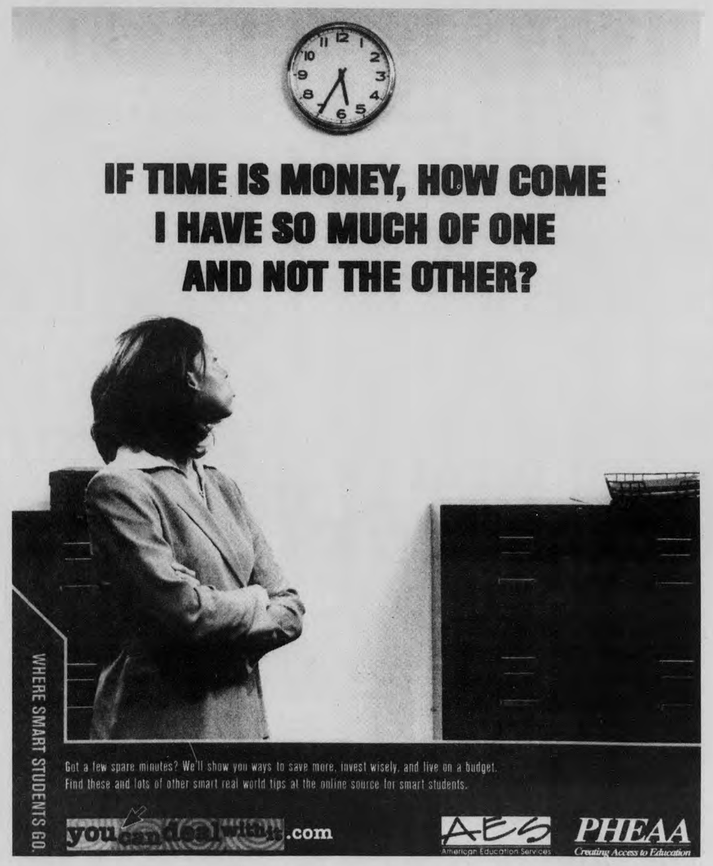
There has been much debate about whether or not this popular trend of "stealing" music off the Web actually increases or decreases the sale of CD's. According to an article in the *Houston Chronicle*, the record labels' true threat is the recessing economy. A report showed that downloadable music could possibly provide more than $2 billion in new revenue over the next two years for music labels.

The United States accounts for 40 percent of the music market and has been down five percent in recent years, and worldwide there was an overall five percent decline in the first half of 2001, according to *BBC News*. Even though music sales have fallen recently, *BBC News* reported that over the past five years, music sales have gone down 1.5 percent each year, which is not a sudden slump in sales.

Keith Jopling, director of market research at the International Federation for the Phonographic Industry (IFPI), blamed the economic slowdown on the growing popularity of CD burning, which allows music fans to copy song tracks onto recordable CDs, for the decline in sales, according to *BBC News*.

It may be safe to assume that the heightened use of downloadable music is not the only factor causing the music industry's constant concern about the state of CD sales, but rather the down-turning economy as a viable reason for this slump. In a recession, many people are not going to be jumping at the chance to spend the usual $17 for a CD when there are a free versions on the Internet waiting to be downloaded.

The industry is "caught in a perfect storm, buffeted by the combined effects of mass copying and piracy, and the economic downturn," said Chairman of IFPI Jay Berman, according to the *San Francisco Chronicle*.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Reality Barbie goes public

BY RACHEL GOLD
Senior Writer

Every day, women are confronted with images of how we are "supposed to" look, act and dress. The University's Women's Resource center, Craft Center and students worked together to create a "life size" Barbie. Unlike the doll young girls play with, model after and worship, the life-size model would not be able to stand on her own two feet.

The University's "Barbie" made her first appearance on live television this past summer. WVIA-TV's "Woman to Woman" was dedicated to examining issues on body image and the show included a segment featuring Gretchen Heuges from the Craft Center, Director of Service Learning at the University Janice Butler and Women's Resource Center Intern Phillip Jones '02.

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She feels that women are under self-imposed pressure to look, act, and dress in a certain way.

"Images of women as sexual objects are attractive to women as well as men. It is at this point that a women should consciously decide how real these images and expectations are. Women have the responsibility of analyzing these 'ideals' and not just accepting them without thought. Would looking this way, acting this way, dressing this way, make me the kind of person that I admire?" Heuges said.

Both Heuges and Butler agreed upon the main purpose the life-size Barbie served.

"The project was an attempt to demonstrate that our nation's standards of female beauty and desirability are distorted. The doll was created to appeal to girls as a symbol of grown-up glamour and has for over four decades become an international fashion idol. Our aim was to show how unrealistic Barbie's proportions are for adult women and to generate dialogue on campus about body image," said Butler.

"The Barbie project brings to light one of the issues that face women on a daily basis: 'How do I look?' Unfortunately many women make beauty their main purpose. We judge ourselves harshly and others unfairly if we consider only the surface and not the character that lies beneath. If we strive for an unattainable ideal we will be disappointed or unsatisfied with ourselves as well as others," said Heuges.

The life-size Barbie, with her completely unlivable proportions, gave University students a new perspective on beauty and image.

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Courtesy of cnn.com

"Greek Wedding" a surprise hit

By Jessica Cortese
Senior Writer

Movie Review
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You don't have to be Greek to enjoy "My Big Fat Greek Wedding." This surprise hit of the summer has so much heartfelt comic appeal that, though it may look and sound like a chick flick, you don't have to be missing the Y chromosome to enjoy it.

The movie incorporates humor that can be universally applied to anyone who has a large family, or even knows someone who knows someone who has a large family. Toula (Nia Vardalos,who also wrote the screenplay for the film) is a 30-year-old Greek woman who has yet to fulfill her duty to find a nice Greek husband and having lots of Greek babies, much to the disappointment of her family. Then she meets the perfect guy (John Corbett). The only problem is, his name is Ian Miller, and he is definitely *not* Greek. However, he *is* willing to do whatever it takes to get her family to accept him, and for once love really does conquer all as Toula comes to terms with her family and heritage.

It's simple, it's smart, and most importantly, it has more genuine laughs than all three of the Austin Powers movies combined. I have yet to meet a person who has not enjoyed "My Big Fat Greek Wedding." It truly is a must-see movie.

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

A surprise summer hit, "My Big Fat Greek Wedding," is currently playing at the Campus Theatre.

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TV show captivates nation

"American Idol" proves to be the smash hit of the summer

By Kristi Johnston
Arts and Entertainment Editor

This summer, the entertainment world was defined by yet another addition to the already overcrowded realm of reality television. This time, instead of the usual attention-getting antics and absurd contests, FOX's "American Idol" was a true showcase of talent and poise. In a modern day "Star Search" format, "American Idol" drew record viewers and immense media coverage, a trend that has only intensified in its final weeks.

"American Idol" takes a basic idea, thousands of would-be song artists competing for a record deal, and adds a new twist—instead of leaving it to the professionals, the viewers themselves determine who moves on to the next week, and who goes home reveling in their 15 minutes of fame.

That is not to say that America didn't have help deciding whose talent was worthy of idolatrous glory. Three judges, Randy Jackson, Paula Abdul and the now infamous Simon Cowell, were given the opportunity to give their two cents on each hopeful's talent, song choice and general appeal after each performance. At times, the judges' differences of opinion became the highlight of the show, bumping the singers to secondary status.

When the talent pool had been depleted to a mere eight contestants, "American Idol" changed formats - each week, the finalists performed a song of their choice on Tuesday night. Viewers were then given two hours following the show to vote via telephone for who they liked best. Then, on Wednesday nights, the contestants, judges and viewers found out who was eliminated from the contest by receiving the fewest votes.

"American Idol" saw its fair share of controversy throughout the summer. Cowell's callous commentaries often led to conflicts among the judges, including near fisticuffs between Cowell and Jackson. Then, in the midst of the final rounds, apparent front-runner Justin Guarini received the second-fewest votes, nearly eliminating him from the contest. Perhaps the most shocking event was the elimination of Tamyra Gray, who was expected to be among the final two contestants and was a clear favorite of all three judges. Gray's elimination bought another chance for Nikki McKibben, whose reprieve was short-lived. McKibben was voted off the next week, leaving only Guarini and expected winner Kelly Clarkson to battle for the title on the show's finale, which aired Sept. 4.

Courtesy of Reuters

Justin Guarini and Kelly Clarkson are the finalists for FOX's "American Idol."

" 'American Idol' has become the hit of the summer — such a hit that it's fulfilling an irony of the television business: In an industry where name recognition is everything, the highest form of a success is when people stop using the name of your show," according to cnn.com.

Cnn.com continues, "The water-cooler buzz after the Wednesday night episodes, in which contestants are voted off the show, has been reaching aircraft-engine levels. The comments don't even need a reference: 'Did you watch it?' 'What did you think?' 'It was outrageous what they did to her!'"

Naturally, plans are already underway for "American Idol 2." The success of the original has also prompted CBS to announce the return of "Star Search." One thing is for certain—"American Idol" has swept the nation and has undoubtedly paved the way for a number of new talents trying to make it in the entertainment industry.

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Seven international students unable to enroll at University

By Michelle Dombeck
Arts & Entertainment Editor

Due to delays with obtaining student visas, seven University students were unable to enroll this semester. Six were first-year students, while one was a returning student. All were male and from Islamic countries.

NAFSA, the association of international educators, reports that the events of Sept. 11 have caused visa applications to be subject to a greater degree of scrutiny than in the past.

"While our consular officers strive to offer visa applicants as expeditious service as possible, their primary responsibility is to carry out U.S. law and to ensure that applicants to whom they issue visas will not pose a threat to the safety and security of the United States and its inhabitants," the official statement on NAFSA's Web site says.

Now, the government is requiring security checks of some applicants, which can take months. This delay can be detrimental to international students, who need to obtain a visa before arriving in the United States.

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"No one has actually been denied a visa. Due to the time it takes to conduct a security check, which has never been imposed by our government in the past, it took too long for [the first-year students] to be able to matriculate," International Student Adviser Susan Zingale-Baird said.

International students are assigned an F-1 visa. This visa type has a direct connection to Sept. 11.

"Two of the hijackers were in Florida with F-1 visas, attending pilot training schools," Zingale-Baird said. "The students who were unable to enroll were forced to make other plans."

Five of the first-year students are from Saudi Arabia. They will enroll in Heriot-Watt, a school in the United Kingdom.

The other first-year student is an engineer from Malaysia. He is currently taking classes in Malaysia and has to work with the dean of engineering in order to gain permission to enroll in the spring.

"The only conclusion I can come to is if it's an Islamic country and a male student, they had to do the security check," Zingale-Baird said. "Two female students from the class of 2006 came from Indonesia, an Islamic country, but they received their visas on time."

The returning student, Ahmad Hassan '04, could not re-enter the United States because his visa had expired.

"The visa is to gain entrance to the United States. Once a student is in, it can expire and there isn't a problem," Zingale-Baird said. "If students choose to go home and their visas expire, then they have to get a new visa. Because of the security check, however, Ahmad couldn't get a new visa in time."

Hassan, who is an engineer like the Malaysian student, will also have to work with the dean of engineering in order to gain permission to enroll in the spring.

Other international students are upset about Hassan's situation.

"Although I do understand that the process may seem necessary and indispensable to the authorities, I think it is a shame that college students like Ahmad fall victims to the system," Satiya Abouzaid '04 said.

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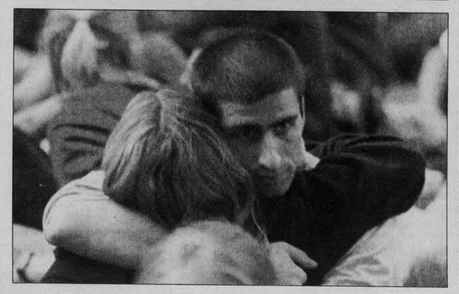
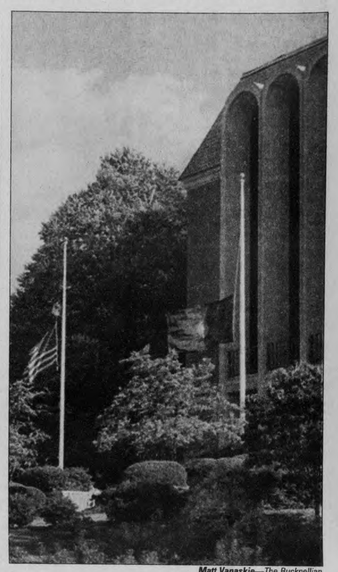
Remembrance, reflection, renewal

University hosts events and services to honor victims of last year's terrorist attacks





Matt Vanaskie—The Bucknellian

Classes went on at the University Wednesday, as the campus community commemorated the one-year anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks. A campus-wide moment of silence was observed at 8:47 a.m. and events continued throughout the day for students and faculty to remember those lost.

By Elisabeth Salemme
Staff Writer

The University joined the nation Wednesday to observe of the one-year anniversary of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on America.

All campus activity was paused at 8:47 a.m., the time the north tower of the World Trade Center (WTC) was struck by American Airlines Flight No. 11, for the tolling of the Chapel carillon and for students, staff and faculty to observe a moment of silence.

"It gave me goose bumps," Matthew Beyel '06 said of the moment of silence. "It was moving and it made me remember all those lost."

A student support space was available all day Wednesday in the Langone Center Walls Lounge with food, phones and media, as well as on-call counseling next door in room 211. Counseling was also provided at the Lowry house.

At 10 p.m., special religious services were held including a Roman Catholic Mass behind Rooke Chapel, a Jewish Ma'ariv Service at the Berelson Center for Jewish Life and a Protestant candlelight vigil at the amphitheater.

An all-campus gathering was held behind Rooke Chapel at 5 p.m. for a Remembrance, Reflection and Renewal ceremony. Speakers included Rabbi Serena Fujita, Vice President of Development/University Relations Robert Kallin, Associate Director of Chaplains and Religious Life Father Martin Moran, Chaplain Ian Oliver, Vice President for Student Affairs Charles Pollock '70 and Professor of Biology Gary Sojka, along with other students, faculty and staff. University President Steffen Rogers could not be present for the ceremony, as he was in California.

"We all experienced fear that day. And anger. And doubt. And grief. And so much confusion. But Bucknell's essence prevailed and it kept prevailing in the days and weeks that followed. We rallied in support of one another. And who can forget the blue ribbons of solidarity, the private moments of consolation, the public moments of memorial," Pollock said at the ceremony.

The ceremony included an all-campus choir directed by Professor of Music William Payn as well as reflections, poetry and presentations by students, faculty and staff, which were coordinated by the Office of Chaplains and Religious Life.

Also included in the ceremony was a presentation by Student Emergency Response Volunteers (SERV), honoring emergency workers who risked their lives for those of attack victims. They presented a demonstration of the 5555 alarm that was heard by New York Service Personnel on the day of the attacks.

Kallin read the names and spoke of those who died in the attacks who were a part of the University community or who were immediate relatives of University students.

In his absence, Rogers prepared words for Pollock to read to the campus.

Pollock said for Rogers, "The phrase 'United We Stand' appeared across the country and took on an intensity unknown since Pearl Harbor. Here on campus, although our pain was still intense and had been excruciatingly personal due to the loss of family and Bucknellians, we returned to classes and responded

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Diversity Report yields encouraging results

Religious and ethnic diversity continuing to increase at University

By Meghan Fox
Writer

Last April, the Committee for Campus Diversity (CCD) published the Annual Diversity Report for the 2000-01 and 2001-02 academic years. The report summarizes the University's findings on its current state of diversity.

In 1999, former University President Bro Adams created the CCD to implement his Plan for Diversity. His plan also required an annual assessment of campus diversity in the form of the report.

According to the Annual Diversity Report, "The results (of the study) indicated that Bucknell has much to do to eliminate derogatory remarks and other forms of harassment directed at women and men, racial and ethnic minorities, religious groups and other identified groups, including especially LGBT persons."

"It's difficult to be very diverse or openly out at Bucknell," said Frances McDaniel, head of the office of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transsexual (LGBT) awareness. "To be an independent, ethnically diverse, out at Bucknell is hard."

However, the diversity report indicates improvement in the past few years. According to the report, the percentage of students of color had increased to about 12.5 percent of each class, an increase from the 9.5 percent of each class in 1997.

"At that time, the whole country was realizing that diversity was important. We needed to make sure that our students were ready to work in the very diverse world outside of Bucknell. We also realized that the educational experience of our students would be greatly enriched if the student body and staff were more diverse," Associate Dean of Arts and Sciences Elaine Garrett said.

In the spring of 2001, the University participated in a nationwide study of diversity-related campus climate.

"I think there has been some gratifying progress in each of the main areas of concern," said Charles Pollock '70, vice president of student affairs. "In student life, a breakthrough of the plan was to promote diversity of activities and social opportunities for students and we've made great strides there."

Pollock listed Uptown as such an example. The Choosing Healthy Options in a Community Environment (CHOICE) program was also created to "provide growth in alcohol-free and non-Greek social programming," as stated by the report.

"Bucknell has, in the last semester, made a strong effort to increase diversity awareness and address the issues of being a minority (both in the United States and internationally) at the University," said Jakita Price, multicultural chair for the President's Council and a member of Bucknell Student Government. "With the help of the Admissions and Multicultural offices, there has been an increase in enrollment and retention rates, and a lot more programs designed to help diverse students handle being a part of the University system throughout their collegiate careers."

Upon creation, the CCD consisted solely of administration. It was not until a year ago that University Chaplain Ian Oliver was added to the committee.

"We see religious diversity as a diversity issue as well," Oliver said.

With the enrollment of the Class of 2005, the number of Jewish students increased from 33 in the previous year, to 57 students.

Both Oliver and the Report attributed this increase to the recent construction of the Berelson Center for Jewish Life and the hiring of a Jewish chaplain.

"We continue to generate new ideas and are looking for ways to include more students and faculty directly," Oliver said.

Oliver mentioned last year's diversity week, open forums and guest speakers as ways in which the University has sought to educate students about diversity.

Pollock also indicated that there may soon be a change in the composition of the CCD to directly include student and faculty members.

"Overall, the University still needs to improve its relations with the multicultural population both within the administration and student government. Improving the multicultural environment should occur every day; not when something tragic happens," Price said.

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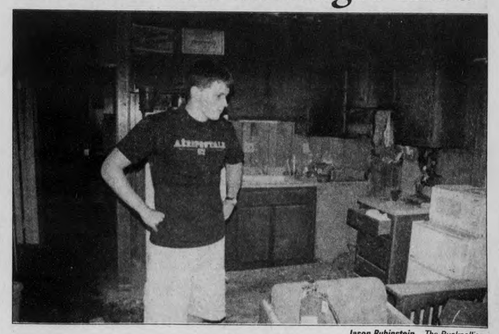

Jason Rubinstein—The Bucknellian

A resident looks at the damage in his mod after a fire burned much of the kitchen.

By Rachel Laskow
Editor-in-Chief

A small fire damaged the kitchen area in mod five, located in Bucknell West.

According to Deputy Fire Chief for the Lewisburg Fire Department Bill Hoden, the fire was caused by a stove burner that was accidentally left on.

Most of the damage was in the kitchen area, but there was smoke damage throughout the mod. There was also no power to the mod.

According to Hoden, the five residents of the mod were not present at the time of the fire. They were allowed back in to clean, but the damage was bad enough that the residents will not be able to return to the mod for some time.

Students were given the option to live in vacant rooms across campus.

According to Dean of Students Richard Ferraro, the students are not in any of trouble, nor will they be sanctioned.

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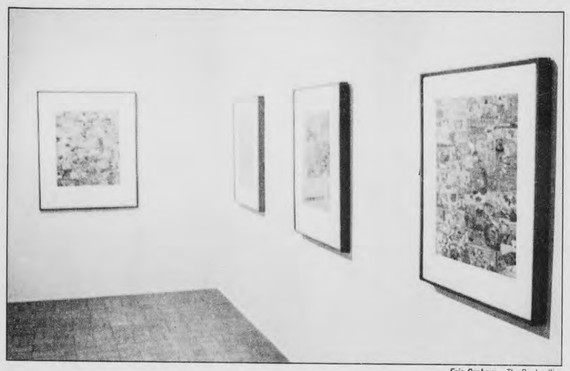

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Best R&B Video
Mary J. Blige - "No More Drama"

Best Hip Hop Video
Jennifer Lopez Featuring Ja Rule - "I'm Real (Remix)"

Best Rock Video
Linkin Park - "In the End"

Best Pop Video
No Doubt Featuring Bounty Killer - "Hey Baby"

Best Dance Video
Pink - "Get the Party Started"

Best Video from a Film
Chad Kroeger featuring Josie Scott - "Hero" from "Spiderman"

Best Choreography
Kylie Minogue - "Can't Get You Out of My Head" (Choreographer Michael Rooney)

Best Special Effects
The White Stripes - "Fell in Love With a Girl"

Best Editing
The White Stripes - "Fell in Love With a Girl"

Best Cinematography
Moby - "We Are All Made of Stars"

Best Art Direction
Coldplay - "Trouble"

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"Greek Wedding" a surprise hit

By Jessica Cortese
Senior Writer

Movie Review
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You don't have to be Greek to enjoy "My Big Fat Greek Wedding." This surprise hit of the summer has so much heartfelt comic appeal that, though it may look and sound like a chick flick, you don't have to be missing the Y chromosome to enjoy it.

The movie incorporates humor that can be universally applied to anyone who has a large family, or even knows someone who knows someone who has a large family. Toula (Nia Vardalos, who also wrote the screenplay for the film) is a 30-year-old Greek woman who has yet to fulfill her duty to find a nice Greek husband and having lots of Greek babies, much to the disappointment of her family. Then she meets the perfect guy (John Corbett). The only problem is, his name is Ian Miller, and he is definitely *not* Greek. However, he *is* willing to do whatever it takes to get her family to accept him, and for once love really does conquer all as Toula comes to terms with her family and heritage.

It's simple, it's smart, and most importantly, it has more genuine laughs than all three of the Austin Powers movies combined. I have yet to meet a person who has not enjoyed "My Big Fat Greek Wedding." It truly is a must-see movie.

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

A surprise summer hit, "My Big Fat Greek Wedding," is currently playing at the Campus Theatre.

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TV show captivates nation

"American Idol" proves to be the smash hit of the summer

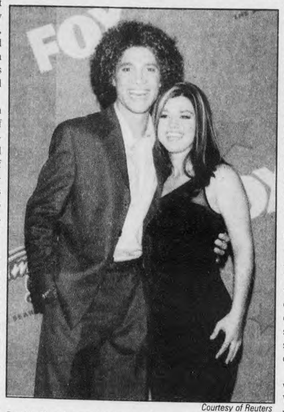
By Kristi Johnston
Arts and Entertainment Editor

This summer, the entertainment world was defined by yet another addition to the already overcrowded realm of reality television. This time, instead of the usual attention-getting antics and absurd contests, FOX's "American Idol" was a true showcase of talent and poise. In a modern day "Star Search" format, "American Idol" drew record viewers and immense media coverage, a trend that has only intensified in its final weeks.

"American Idol" takes a basic idea, thousands of would-be song artists competing for a record deal, and adds a new twist—instead of leaving it to the professionals, the viewers themselves determine who moves on to the next week, and who goes home reveling in their 15 minutes of fame.

That is not to say that America didn't have help deciding whose talent was worthy of idolatrous glory. Three judges, Randy Jackson, Paula Abdul and the now infamous Simon Cowell, were given the opportunity to give their two cents on each hopeful's talent, song choice and general appeal after each performance. At times, the judges' differences of opinion became the highlight of the show, bumping the singers to secondary status.

When the talent pool had been depleted to a mere eight contestants, "American Idol" changed formats - each week, the finalists performed a song of their choice on Tuesday night. Viewers were then given two hours following the show to vote via telephone for who they liked best. Then, on Wednesday nights, the contestants, judges and viewers found out who was eliminated from the contest by receiving the fewest votes.



Courtesy of Reuters

Justin Guarini and Kelly Clarkson are the finalists for FOX's "American Idol."

"American Idol" saw its fair share of controversy throughout the summer. Cowell's callous commentaries often led to conflicts among the judges, including near fisticuffs between Cowell and Jackson. Then, in the midst of the final rounds, apparent front-runner Justin Guarini received the second-fewest votes, nearly eliminating him from the contest. Perhaps the most shocking event was the elimination of Tamyra Gray, who was expected to be among the final two contestants and was a clear favorite of all three judges. Gray's elimination bought another chance for Nikki McKibben, whose reprieve was short-lived. McKibben was voted off the next week, leaving only Guarini and expected winner Kelly Clarkson to battle for the title on the show's finale, which aired Sept. 4.

"'American Idol' has become the hit of the summer — such a hit that it's fulfilling an irony of the television business: In an industry where name recognition is everything, the highest form of a success is when people stop using the name of your show," according to cnn.com.

Cnn.com continues, "The water-cooler buzz after the Wednesday night episodes, in which contestants are voted off the show, has been reaching aircraft-engine levels. The comments don't even need a reference: 'Did you watch it?' 'What did you think?' 'It was outrageous what they did to her!'"

Naturally, plans are already underway for "American Idol 2." The success of the original has also prompted CBS to announce the return of "Star Search." One thing is for certain—"American Idol" has swept the nation and has undoubtedly paved the way for a number of new talents trying to make it in the entertainment industry.

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Seven international students unable to enroll at University

By Michelle Dombeck
Arts & Entertainment Editor

Due to delays with obtaining student visas, seven University students were unable to enroll this semester. Six were first-year students, while one was a returning student. All were male and from Islamic countries.

NAFSA, the association of international educators, reports that the events of Sept. 11 have caused visa applications to be subject to a greater degree of scrutiny than in the past.

"While our consular officers strive to offer visa applicants as expeditious service as possible, their primary responsibility is to carry out U.S. law and to ensure that applicants to whom they issue visas will not pose a threat to the safety and security of the United States and its inhabitants," the official statement on NAFSA's Web site says.

Now, the government is requiring security checks of some applicants, which can take months. This delay can be detrimental to international students, who need to obtain a visa before arriving in the United States.

> *"Due to the time it takes to conduct a security check, which has never been imposed by our government in the past, it took too long for [first-year students] to be able to matriculate"*
> *—Susan Zingale-Baird, University international student adviser*

"No one has actually been denied a visa. Due to the time it takes to conduct a security check, which has never been imposed by our government in the past, it took too long for [the first-year students] to be able to matriculate," International Student Adviser Susan Zingale-Baird said.

International students are assigned an F-1 visa. This visa type has a direct connection to Sept. 11.

"Two of the hijackers were in Florida with F-1 visas, attending pilot training schools," Zingale-Baird said. "The students who were unable to enroll were forced to make other plans."

Five of the first-year students are from Saudi Arabia. They will enroll in Heriot-Watt, a school in the United Kingdom.

The other first-year student is an engineer from Malaysia. He is currently taking classes in Malaysia and has to work with the dean of engineering in order to gain permission to enroll in the spring.

"The only conclusion I can come to is if it's an Islamic country and a male student, they had to do the security check," Zingale-Baird said. "Two female students from the class of 2006 came from Indonesia, an Islamic country, but they received their visas on time."

The returning student, Ahmad Hassan '04, could not re-enter the United States because his visa had expired.

"The visa is to gain entrance to the United States. Once a student is in, it can expire and there isn't a problem," Zingale-Baird said. "If students choose to go home and their visas expire, then they have to get a new visa. Because of the security check, however, Ahmad couldn't get a new visa in time."

Hassan, who is an engineer like the Malaysian student, will also have to work with the dean of engineering in order to gain permission to enroll in the spring.

Other international students are upset about Hassan's situation.

"Although I do understand that the process may seem necessary and indispensable to the authorities, I think it is a shame that college students like Ahmad fall victims to the system," Satiya Abouzaid '04 said.

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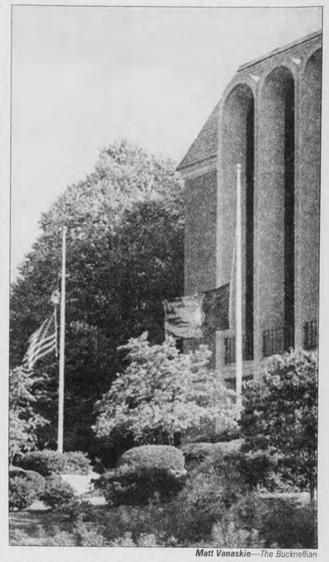
Remembrance, reflection, renewal

University hosts events and services to honor victims of last year's terrorist attacks



Matt Vanaskie—The Bucknellian

Classes went on at the University Wednesday, as the campus community commemorated the one-year anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks. A campus-wide moment of silence was observed at 8:47 a.m. and events continued throughout the day for students and faculty to remember those lost.

By Elisabeth Salemme
Staff Writer

The University joined the nation Wednesday to observe of the one-year anniversary of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on America.

All campus activity was paused at 8:47 a.m., the time the north tower of the World Trade Center (WTC) was struck by American Airlines Flight No. 11, for the tolling of the Chapel carillon and for students, staff and faculty to observe a moment of silence.

"It gave me goose bumps," Matthew Beyel '06 said of the moment of silence. "It was moving and it made me remember all those lost."

A student support space was available all day Wednesday in the Langone Center Walls Lounge with food, phones and media, as well as on-call counseling next door in room 211. Counseling was also provided at the Lowry house.

At 10 p.m., special religious services were held including a Roman Catholic Mass behind Rooke Chapel, a Jewish Ma'ariv Service at the Berelson Center for Jewish Life and a Protestant candlelight vigil at the amphitheater.

An all-campus gathering was held behind Rooke Chapel at 5 p.m. for a Remembrance, Reflection and Renewal ceremony. Speakers included Rabbi Serena Fujita, Vice President of Development/University Relations Robert Kallin, Associate Director of Chaplains and Religious Life Father Martin Moran, Chaplain Ian Oliver, Vice President for Student Affairs Charles Pollock '70 and Professor of Biology Gary Sojka, along with other students, faculty and staff. University President Steffen Rogers could not be present for the ceremony, as he was who risked their lives for those of

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"We all experienced fear that day. And anger. And doubt. And grief. And so much confusion. But Bucknell's essence prevailed and it kept prevailing in the days and weeks that followed. We rallied in support of one another. And who can forget the blue ribbons of solidarity, the private moments of consolation, the public moments of memorial," Pollock said at the ceremony.

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who risked their lives for those of attack victims. They presented a demonstration of the 5555 alarm that was heard by New York Service Personnel on the day of the attacks.

Kallin read the names and spoke of those who died in the attacks who were a part of the University community or who were immediate relatives of University students.

In his absence, Rogers prepared words for Pollock to read to the campus.

Pollock said for Rogers, "The phrase 'United We Stand' appeared across the country and took on an intensity unknown since Pearl Harbor. Here on campus, although our pain was still intense and had been excruciatingly personal due to the loss of family and Bucknellians, we returned to classes and responded

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Diversity Report yields encouraging results

Religious and ethnic diversity continuing to increase at University

By Meghan Fox
Writer

Last April, the Committee for Campus Diversity (CCD) published the Annual Diversity Report for the 2000-01 and 2001-02 academic years. The report summarizes the University's findings on its current state of diversity.

In 1999, former University President Bro Adams created the CCD to implement his Plan for Diversity. His plan also required an annual assessment of campus diversity in the form of the report.

According to the Annual Diversity Report, "The results (of the study) indicated that Bucknell has much to do to eliminate derogatory remarks and other forms of harassment directed at women and men, racial and ethnic minorities, religious groups and other identified groups, including especially LGBT persons."

"It's difficult to be very diverse or openly out at Bucknell," said Frances McDaniel, head of the office of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transsexual (LGBT) awareness. "To be an independent, ethnically diverse, out at Bucknell is hard."

However, the diversity report indicates improvement in the past few years. According to the report, the percentage of students of color had increased to about 12.5 percent of each class, an increase from the 9.5 percent of each class in 1997.

"At that time, the whole country was realizing that diversity was important. We needed to make sure that our students were ready to work in the very diverse world outside of Bucknell. We also realized that the educational experience of our students would be greatly enriched if the student body and staff were more diverse," Associate Dean of Arts and Sciences Elaine Garrett said.

In the spring of 2001, the University participated in a nationwide study of diversity-related campus climate.

"I think there has been some gratifying progress in each of the main areas of concern," said Charles Pollock '70, vice president of student affairs. "In student life, a breakthrough of the plan was to promote diversity of activities and social opportunities for students and we've made great strides there."

Pollock listed Uptown as such an example. The Choosing Healthy Options in a Community Environment (CHOICE) program was also created to "provide growth in alcohol-free and non-Greek social programming," as stated by the report.

"Bucknell has, in the last semester, made a strong effort to increase diversity awareness and address the issues of being a minority (both in the United States and internationally) at the University," said Jakita Price, multicultural chair for the President's Council and a member of Bucknell Student Government. "With the help of the Admissions and Multicultural offices, there has been an increase in enrollment and retention rates, and a lot more programs designed to help diverse students handle being a part of the University system throughout their collegiate careers."

Upon creation, the CCD consisted solely of administration. It was not until a year ago that University Chaplain Ian Oliver was added to the committee.

"We see religious diversity as a diversity issue as well," Oliver said.

With the enrollment of the Class of 2005, the number of Jewish students increased from 33 in the previous year, to 57 students.

Both Oliver and the Report attributed this increase to the recent construction of the Bereison Center for Jewish Life and the hiring of a Jewish chaplain.

"We continue to generate new ideas and are looking for ways to include more students and faculty directly," Oliver said.

Oliver mentioned last year's diversity week, open forums and guest speakers as ways in which the University has sought to educate students about diversity.

Pollock also indicated that there may soon be a change in the composition of the CCD to directly include student and faculty members.

"Overall, the University still needs to improve its relations with the multicultural population both within the administration and student government. Improving the multicultural environment should occur every day; not when something tragic happens," Price said.

Kitchen fire damages mod

Jason Rubinstein—The Bucknellian

A resident looks at the damage in his mod after a fire burned much of the kitchen.

By Rachel Laskow
Editor-in-Chief

A small fire damaged the kitchen area in mod five, located in Bucknell West.

According to Deputy Fire Chief for the Lewisburg Fire Department Bill Hoden, the fire was caused by a stove burner that was accidentally left on.

Most of the damage was in the kitchen area, but there was smoke damage throughout the mod. There was also no power to the mod.

According to Hoden, the five residents of the mod were not present at the time of the fire. They were allowed back in to clean, but the damage was bad enough that the residents will not be able to return to the mod for some time.

Students were given the option to live in vacant rooms across campus.

According to Dean of Students Richard Ferraro, the students are not in any of trouble, nor will they be sanctioned.

"Accidents happen. We are glad everyone is fine," Ferraro said.

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Public Safety Log

Wednesday, Sept. 4

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that his backpack was taken from the living room of Chi Phi Fraternity. The incident is under investigation

UNDERAGE DRINKING/OPEN CONTAINER—Public Safety went to S. 6th Street to assist Lewisburg Police Department with an intoxicated student who was carrying an open container of alcohol. The student was returned to his residence at 23 University Avenue House. Citations were issued for underage drinking and open container violation.

Thursday, Sept. 5

UNDERAGE DRINKING/OPEN CONTAINER—Public Safety went to St. Catherine Street to assist Lewisburg Police Department with an intoxicated student who was carrying an open container of alcohol. The student was returned to his Bucknell West residence. Citations were issued for underage drinking and open container violation.

OPEN CONTAINER VIOLATION—Public Safety responded to Vedder Hall to assist Lewisburg Police Department with two students who were carrying open containers of alcohol. Citations issued for open container violations.

HARASSMENT BY COMMUNICATION—A student reported to Public Safety that he received a harassing phone call in his Smith Hall room. The incident is under investigation.

INFORMATION—Public Safety responded to Edwards House for the report of a male looking in the windows. No one was located in a search of the area. Lewisburg Police Department was notified.

Friday, Sept. 6

DRUG VIOLATION—Public Safety responded to Vedder hall for the report of the odor of marijuana. The officers determined the odor or marijuana was present in a student room and located drug paraphernalia and alcohol in a plain-view search of the room. Lewisburg Police Department notified. The alcohol was confiscated and returned to Public Safety for storage. Citations were issued to both students for alcohol in the room of an underage person, underage drinking, possession of drug paraphernalia and failure to comply with an officer.

INFORMATION/UNREGISTERED PARTY—Public Safety responded to Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity for the report of an unregistered party. Evidence in the fraternity house indicated that a party had taken place. A citation for distribution, possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages in violation of University Policy was issued. Other citations are pending.

Saturday, Sept. 7

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—A student reported to Public Safety that a window located at the 7th Street Cafe had been broken by unknown person(s). The incident is under investigation.

INFORMATION—Public Safety responded to Swartz Hall for the report of a student throwing beer bottles in the hallway. A University official responded to speak with the individual who admitted to being upset. The student agreed to utilize University support services.

ASSIST POLICE/UNDERAGE DRINKING—Public Safety responded to South Seventh Street to assist Lewisburg Police Department (LPD) to locate an intoxicated student who was observed behaving in a disorderly manner. The male, who was located by Public Safety near Market Street was transported to meet with LPD and a University official. The student was then returned to his room and placed in the care of an RA. Four bottles of alcohol were located in the room and disposed by Public Safety and the University official. Citations issued for disorderly conduct, underage drinking, public drunkenness and presence of alcohol in the room of an underage person.

UNDERAGE DRINKING—A student reported to Public Safety that there was a male student sleeping on a couch in his boxer shorts inside a lounge at Smith Hall. Upon investigation, it was determined that the male was a student under the age of 21, who admitted to consuming alcohol. Charges were filed.

INFORMATION/VEHICLE FIRE—Public Safety responded to Moore Avenue for the report of a vehicle fire. The fire had been extinguished by an employee. The owner of the vehicle was a visitor. There were no injuries and the car was removed for repairs. A Safety Manager was notified.

Sunday, Sept. 8

UNREGISTERED PARTY/UNDERAGE DRINKING—Public Safety responded to Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity for the report of an unregistered party. Upon investigation, it was determined that a female student, under the age of 21, had been consuming alcohol. Charges were filed for underage drinking and an unregistered party.

INFORMATION/DISTURBANCE—Public Safety responded to Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity for the report of a group of students attempting to enter the building without authorization. Lewisburg Police Department and East Buffalo Township Police Department responded and assisted to identify the students as residents of Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity. The 11 males stated that they were searching for a stuffed bird that they believe the Lambda brothers had taken. All parties agreed to resolve the issue by mediation and no charges were filed.

UNDERAGE DRINKING—An RA reported to Public Safety that a student had urinated in his pants and on the floor in his Vedder Hall room. The student who was under the age of 21 admitted to consuming alcohol. Citations were issued for underage drinking and disorderly conduct.

Monday, Sept. 9

MEDICAL ASSIST—Public Safety responded to Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity for the report of an ill student. The male had participated in a boxing tournament and had been struck in the head. Since the event, he had experienced blurred, vision and nausea. The individual was transported to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment and later returned to campus.

Tuesday, Sept. 10

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—Public Safety responded to Vedder Hall for the report of a student who was having an allergic reaction to a bee sting. Public Safety transported the individual to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment and she later returned to campus.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF/VANDALISM—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) poured food items and animal feces on his car while it was parked in the Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity parking lot. The incident is under investigation.

INFORMATION/UNAUTHORIZED WEAPONS—Public Safety responded to Dining Service for the report of an employee with an unauthorized knife in her possession. The employee was not perceived as a threat and cooperated in turning the knife over to Public Safety to store until she was ready to leave campus.

INFORMATION/FIRE—Public Safety responded to a Bucknell West Mod for a fire alarm activation caused by a kitchen range fire. The residents had left cardboard items on a hot burner. William Cameron Engine Company responded and extinguished the fire. Residents of the Mod were offered alternate University housing while the building is being cleaned.

Snyder becomes head of WRC

Former director Butler heads Service Learning Department

By Jaclyn Carr
Writer

Mary Snyder, a former undergraduate and graduate student at the University, has recently become the head of the Women's Resource Center (WRC). She began the position in late July.

Snyder was previously a program assistant for the WRC where she worked with the Lewisburg community in projects such as the Yellow-Dress Project, a play put on in the Lewisburg Community Center to teach about dating violence.

Snyder's place with the WRC began as a student, when she wrote a report that initiated the Race and Gender Center on campus.

Snyder is the adviser for V-Day and *The Stand*, a magazine put out by the WRC that informs students of issues such as body image, stereotypes, sexual assault and violence or gender equality.

Snyder also runs programs such as the Sexual Assault Awareness Program, which works with Public Safety and the Peer Education Program, focusing on the social atmosphere of the campus.

She described her new position as "challenging yet going really well" and explained that the WRC serves to create a climate of equality and understanding between students.

"It empowers and supports women in becoming leaders by giving advice about careers, sexual thought or leadership roles on campus," Snyder said.

This year, the WRC aims to place more emphasis on women's art and cultural events and to work with the University's Greek system instead of against it.

Snyder also intends for the WRC to take a look at third wave feminism to ask where women and feminism stand today. She says a taboo still exists surrounding the "F-word," but realizes how far women have come even though they still face problems.

Female students have told her how they feel frustrated with campus issues such as sexual harassment or attitudes concerning gender.

Snyder will have speakers come throughout the year to speak about the issues facing the future of gender. Stephanie Shields, a professor of psychology and women's studies at Penn State University, will be coming to the University at 7:30 p.m. on October third in the Gallery Theatre to address gender issues she writes about in her book, "Speaking from the Heart: Gender and the Social Meaning of Emotion."

Janice Butler, former head of the WRC, is now head of the Service Learning Department on campus.

"I am excited about the potential of the new job and ready for the challenge of starting a new program that will benefit students, faculty and the community," Butler said.

Service Learning does not replace pre-existing volunteer organizations or community services in the area, but is a "new initiative that involves faculty and students," Butler said.

Butler explained that there are two parts to Service Learning.

In one area, students use their academic knowledge and skills to assist communities, such as the Bucknell Brigade, an organization formed to rebuild Nicaraguan communities hit by Hurricane Mitch in 1998.

The other part of Service Learning consists of the Matchmaker program, where students and faculty bring the classroom into the community. An engineering class did traffic calming studies to help local agencies fix traffic congestion problems.

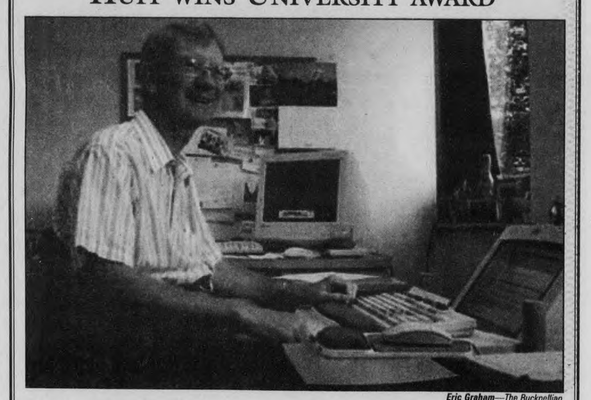
A geology class analyzed water samples in areas that might have been affected by acid mine damage.

"These types of programs give students a chance to do something responsible while also getting practical experience," Butler said.

Butler has also noticed that it is very rewarding for teachers involved with the programs. Service Learning Programs are growing and are already working in Bloomsburg, Lockhaven and Williamsport.

This year, Butler aims to develop new spring break programs where students would travel either west, to aid impoverished Native Americans, or to cities to care for inner-city AIDS victims. If you are interested in any of these programs or want to find out more, Service Learning is holding an open house Sept. 24 from 3-6 p.m. in 121 Taylor Hall.

Huff wins University award



Eric Graham—*The Bucknellian*

Richard Huff, systems integrator for Information Services and Resources, won the Geiger Award, given annually to an outstanding administrator.

Parking changes affect University

By Aly Rentrop
Senior Writer

The University underwent many important parking changes over the summer.

Donald Krech, chair of the University Parking Committee and manager of purchasing, said these changes focused on four different constituents: students, faculty and staff, admissions and event parking.

"The new lots in the corn field have certainly made my life a lot easier, as I can now be assured a parking spot within sprinting distance of my office, and I rather like the new pastoral feel of the central quad in front of Carnegie," Ghislaine McDayter, assistant professor of English said.

Krech said one of the main goals of the parking improvements is to make the University more pedestrian-friendly. The changes are also intended to move parking to the perimeter of campus.

The multi-tiered student parking lot on 7th Street is one such addition that has been made. In addition, 15-minute load and unload zones have been added to every residence hall, and flashers are required in these parking spaces.

The University intends to make other changes in the near future, including making lots either solely for students or for faculty and staff. Faculty-and-staff-only lots will become event lots after hours.

More parking spots will also be made available for visitors near Marts Hall, allowing visitors access to parking.

Krech said there also will be an emphasis on improving parking on the lower campus.

As a result of the many changes that have been made, Public Safety issued warnings instead of tickets from Aug. 20 until Sept. 3. This temporary system allowed students to learn the new parking rules.

Due to requests from the Bucknell Student Government (BSG), Public Safety will also be dismissing the first ticket that individuals receive this semester, except for tickets received for parking in handicapped spaces or for blocking fire lanes.

First tickets should be sent in to Public Safety with a note for remission.

Krech feels that the majority of the campus has been grateful and understanding of the many parking changes on campus.

"The majority of campus has been highly supportive of the parking committee. We've received thank-yous for adding stop signs, clarifying lot designation, adding 15-minute load/unload zones and widening parking spaces. And we certainly appreciate the patience from the campus community as we continue with the construction project," Krech said.

Students and staff voiced varying opinions on the University parking situation.

"Parking on campus has gotten better if you want to drive to class, but it has not improved at all near residences. If someone drove back to their room late at night, the probability of finding a parking spot is small and then the only option is to walk home in the dark," Lisa Sechrist '03 said.

"It can be frustrating if you come in at a busy time like 8:30 a.m., but it's worth it to have a green campus," Reference Services Specialist Martha Holland said.

Anniversary

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as best we could to President George W. Bush's request that we return to normal. Today, we look back, remember and mourn yet again. We know that our world will never be the same ... We know we must remain vigilant but we need not fear. Our people have shown the ability to never forget, while at the same time moving forward with their lives."

Fujita said at the ceremony, "May our actions speak louder than our words and may this coming year be a time when we our both proud of ourselves and proud of our great nation."

Matt Vanaskie—*The Bucknellian*

VP for Student Affairs Charlie Pollock '70 speaks at one of the events to commemorate Sept. 11.

One Islamic student read a verse from the Quran at the ceremony, which conveyed the message that to take a human life is to kill all mankind and to save a life is to save all mankind. Another Islamic student read a prayer expressing a Muslim-American viewpoint of sorrow over Sept. 11.

At the ceremony, Oliver quoted former U.S. President Abraham Lincoln at the conclusion of his second inaugural address.

"With malice towards none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right that God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in, to bind up the nation's wounds, to care for the one who shall have borne the battle and for his widow and his orphan. To do all which may achieve, adjust and lasting peace among ourselves and among all nations," Oliver said.

Sojka provided the closing remarks at the ceremony. He compared the attacks last year to the attack on Pearl Harbor in 1941.

"We can't help being afraid. We can't help being angry. We can't help our sorrow," Sojka said. "But, we can do something about what we do with our anger. We can be sure that we don't let it descent into hatred. That our anger which is a good and natural response can be focused to make sure that we do what we can to protect ourselves ... We can deal with our fear. Not by letting it panic us into some sort of catatonic state, but allowing it to develop into some sort of sense of wearying so that we become a bit more careful and a bit less vulnerable."

Pollock said for Rogers at the ceremony, "Today you have a chance to commit to make a difference by the way you live your life. If such commitments pervaded our various cultures, imagine the world that could be. We will never forget. United we stand. God bless America."

News

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Courtesy of MSNBC.com

Arafat's ministers submit resignations

RAMALLAH, West Bank—Amid the biggest challenge to Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat's authority in years, his 21-member Cabinet resigned Wednesday, allowing him to avoid being ousted by parliament in a no-confidence vote. Arafat's earlier announcement of a date for elections failed to calm parliament, which has been mired in an acrimonious debate over reforms to root out corruption.

Adelphia withholds Rigas's severance

NEW YORK—Bankrupt cable operator Adelphia Communications Corp. is withholding severance payments to former Chief Executive John Rigas, who has been accused of defrauding the company and its investors, said a person briefed on the matter.

Hall-of-Famer Unitas dies at 69

BALTIMORE—Johnny Unitas, the Hall of Fame quarterback who broke nearly every NFL passing record and won three championships with the Baltimore Colts in an 18-year career, died Wednesday of a heart attack at age 69.

Christopher Reeve making gains

NEW YORK—Christopher Reeve has regained some movement and sensation in his hands and feet, seven years after a horse-riding accident that left him paralyzed from the neck down. The "Superman" star also can breathe on his own for 90 minutes at a time, according to an article in the Sept. 23 issue of *People* magazine.

AIDS virus lurks in fat cells

PARIS—The AIDS virus, long known to infect immune system cells, also takes up residence in fat cells, French researchers report. They found HIV in the fat tissue of patients with irregular fat deposits known as lipodystrophies—a side-effect of long-term drug treatment for the virus.

West Nile soars past 1,000 cases

ATLANTA—West Nile's human toll has skyrocketed to more than 1,000 cases, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported on Tuesday. Meanwhile, a second probable case of the virus has been identified in the Los Angeles area, but unlike the suspected case reported last week, health officials believe this patients did not catch the virus in California.

Two U.S. bases come under attack

BAGRAM AIR BASE, Afghanistan—Two U.S. bases in Afghanistan came under attack on Wednesday, just hours before ceremonies to commemorate the hijacked airliner attacks in New York, Pennsylvania and Washington, D.C. on Sept. 11 last year. The small arms fire did not result in any casualties.

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Nora Abdullah '03, another international student, is angry about what is happening.

"This is outright racial discrimination, and it is not being questioned by as many people as it should be," Abdullah said. "Singling out Muslims is ridiculous, as that represents about 1.3 billion people in the world who by no means deserve to be stereotyped and alienated as a group."

Zingale-Baird hopes that these security procedures will not prevent other international students from studying at the University in the future.

"These students are valuable and important to Bucknell," Zingale-Baird said. "They bring a different perspective to the classroom, and if the government has to restrict that, I think it's a great loss."

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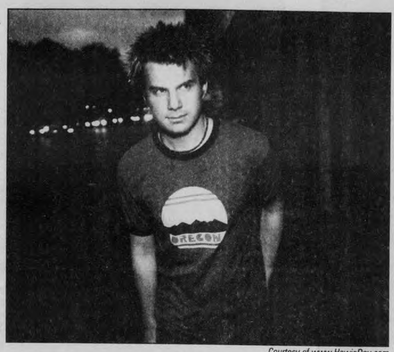
University to host free outdoor festival and concert Sept. 21

By Sandi-Jo Galati
News Editor



Courtesy of www.HowieDay.com

Fall Fest will bring live music, including singer/songwriter Howie Day (above), to the University next weekend. Most of the planning behind the festival came from the Bucknell Student Government (BSG) with limited assistance from the administration.

After months of planning, Fall Fest 2002—a campus-wide outdoor concert—will take place on Sept. 21.

Fall Fest 2002 will be a free event featuring "The And Band" and Pete Francis from "Dispatch" opening for Howie Day. After the Howie Day performance, Gary Thaniel, the University concert committee representative, will deejay the event.

The event will run from 1-5 p.m.

Dining Services plans to provide free food throughout the afternoon. Vending carts will be serving snow cones, popcorn and cotton candy.

Bucknell Student Government (BSG) members, spearheaded by Class of 2004 President Cisco Sanchez with the assistance of Associate Dean of Students Kari Conrad, have been planning the Fall Fest event since last spring in response to student requests for more outdoor activities.

"Students have been asking for more outdoor events for a long time," Conrad said. "Taking advantage of beautiful fall days on the lawn outside on an annual basis will be something that students can remember."

The stage will be set facing the hill of the uphill Langone Center lawn so that students will be able to sit on the hill to watch the concerts.

"It makes sense to have it outside," Thaniel said. "We have such a beautiful campus."

Funding for the event was collaborative, provided by individual class budgets, the University Concert Committee, Activities and Campus Events (ACE) and BSG, although Conrad attributes most of the planning efforts to BSG.

"The idea was their baby," Conrad said. "They have been working on it really hard and talking with a lot of different departments to coordinate the event."

Thaniel said that he and Sanchez spent much of the summer e-mailing each other in planning Fall Fest, trying to create a memorable atmosphere for students.

"I think students will really enjoy Fall Fest," Thaniel said. "It will just be a good time for students to come together and relax outside."

Fall Fest was also planned with the first nighttime football game in mind. During the event, the captains of the football team will be introduced to the student body to encourage attendance as the Bison take on Cornell at 7 p.m. that evening.

"They'd really like to encourage participation at the first night football game, so Fall Fest will lead right into that," Conrad said.

That morning will also be the first of the fall admission days, when the University hosts prospective students for the Class of 2007. Coupling the admissions activities with Fall Fest and the football game, Conrad dubbed Sept. 21 as "an all-around Bucknell day."

Students are already enthusiastic about participating in an event like no other hosted by the University.

"I will definitely be in attendance," Stephanie Keller '04 said. "Fall Fest sounds like a high-quality campus event."

The organizing committee is confident that the student response to the event will match current excitement and expects that Fall Fest will become a University tradition.

"We definitely hope we can keep Fall Fest going well into the future," Thaniel said.

Meanwhile, both the planning committee and students hoping to attend are crossing their fingers in hopes of amiable weather.

"I think it's going to be awesome if it doesn't rain," Matthew Baker '05 said. "The University needs to do things that are untraditional more often, and anything that's outside is fun."

Helt to coach both varsity tennis teams

By Andrew Burr
News Editor

Eric Graham—*The Bucknellian*

Rebecca Helt will coach both women's and men's tennis this season, with the help of former Susquehanna University men's tennis Head Coach Sean Monaghan. Helt has been the women's tennis head coach for five years.

In addition to her current duties, women's tennis Head Coach Rebecca Helt has assumed the men's tennis head coaching position this season. Sean Monaghan, former Susquehanna University men's tennis head coach, has been hired to be the assistant coach for both tennis teams.

The move was dictated by University athletics administrators, but Helt says she is "no doubt" looking forward to the challenge.

"These are two great groups of kids—I inherited a fantastic, talented group of men to go along with a hardworking group of ladies. This last month has been challenging, but it will continue to be a priority of mine not to do what's easiest, but to do what's best for both teams."

Helt's leadership of both teams marks the first time in the University tennis program's history such a consolidation has occurred.

"Bucknell's varsity tennis programs have been very successful throughout their histories, and as the athletics department looked at ways to maximize coaching resources and further enhance the Bison student-athlete experience, it was a natural evolution to name one head coach with an assistant to work with both programs," Athletic Director John Hardt said.

Recognizing the huge increase in Helt's responsibilities, Monaghan was hired to help ensure coaching resources are not worn thin as a result of the consolidation. Monaghan is a resident of Sunbury, Pa., and is a member of the United States Tennis Association and the United States Professional Tennis Association as well as a United States Professional Tennis Registry Certified Tennis Instructor.

"Growing up in the area, I'm familiar with Bucknell and have respect for the way it runs things," Monaghan said. "This is a great opportunity to combine programs and give the players two sets of eyes now instead of just one. I'm very happy with how things are going so far."

Hardt also believes the coaching consolidation will mean only good things for the tennis program and players. Like the two coaches, Hardt equates the new coaching situation to better opportunities for players to receive the instruction they are entitled to.

"Combining the two teams under Head Coach Rebecca Helt's established leadership and providing the added benefit of a capable assistant coach are positive steps toward moving our tennis programs in the right direction. The players will have the benefit of two experiences coaches focusing on practices and matches instead of one," he said.

Budget problems necessitate University spending cuts

By Jim Leahy
Senior Writer

This summer, finances for corporations underwent intense scrutiny as companies like Enron and WorldCom disclosed major problems. In June, as the University began to close out its books for the 2001-02 fiscal year, the budget revealed some holes and gaps where there should not have been any. As a result, the University now has to fix spending irregularities and reduce some spending to stay on track with the Board of Trustees' mandated budget.

In an Aug. 28 memo from Vice President for Finance and Administration Jo-Anne Lema to faculty and administrative staff, the University details the budget inconsistencies. In addition, Lema outlines some necessary steps the University must undertake to correct the problem, affecting all areas of the University.

The problem lies in how the University can spend money that the endowment income provides. The University has two available forms of endowment income—unrestricted and donor-restricted. Donor-restricted income can only be spent on a program or programs approved by the source of the funds. The unrestricted funds are general monies that the University is free to spend on whatever programs it sees fit. The distinction has been around for a long time but is not one that has ever, until now, caused the University problems.

As with any financial budgeting process, those preparing the budget make assumptions to allow for variances in income due to market conditions. In the few years leading up to the NASDAQ market peak in 1999, the University's assumptions in how its income was spent worked very well. Endowment income has since slowed and the spending irregularity has now been uncovered.

Over the past few years, restricted income has been rising faster than unrestricted income, while the market bubble that has recently burst hid the problem. Another reason it remained hidden is that the University's budget, under the Strategic Financial Plan adopted in 1995-96, is approximately 4,000 lines long.

According to the University, "the fiscal 2002-03 budget had been projected to end the year with a $0 balance. However, the unrestricted funds would have ended the year with a $1.6 million deficit, and there would have been a surplus of $1.6 million in the restricted funds. The deficit in the unrestricted line is not acceptable." As a result, the University undertook a change of its budgeting practices and has since closed the gap.

The University has decided to make some major changes to its budgeting processes. They include changing the models and assumptions so they fit into real life, moving expenses on unrestricted budgets to restricted sources where possible and possibly spending more from restricted financial aid sources. The University has also conducted a review of restricted funds to determine if they can be classified as unrestricted, changing the financial aid process to streamline fiscal year planning and maximizing gifts for budget relief purposes.

To make matters worse for the current budget, the Board of Trustees mandated in April that the University reduce the budget's size by $500,000, taking the total deficit to $2.1 million. In order to fix all the problems, the University has had to take some steps for the current fiscal year. They include "a reduction in the contingency budget, a reallocation of the debt service reserve, reductions in personnel and operating budgets for the Recreation and Athletics Center and significant operating reductions within each division—with the exception of the academic departments."

The University is convinced the problems have been fixed and that something like this will never happen again. It also insists that vital services have not had reductions made to them. It has also asked all faculty and staff for their help in reining in costs and making sure that overspending never happens again.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday FRI September 13

Fourth Sunday Choir Rehearsal (Meditation Chapel)
2 p.m.

Biology Seminar Series: "Sequential Radiation: Detecting Evolutionary Patterns through Genetics, Behavior and Ecology," Warren Abrahamson (Olin Science Auditorium)
3 p.m.

Hilltop Film Series: "I Don't Want to Talk About It" (Vaughan Literature Auditorium)
4:30 and **8 p.m.**

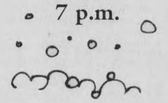
Jewish Shabbat Service and Dinner (Berelson Center for Jewish Life)
5:30 p.m.

Christians in Action Meeting (McDonnell 241)
6 p.m.

Susquehanna Valley Mall Shuttle (LC)
6 p.m.

Samek Art Gallery Lecture: Randy Williams (Samek Art Gallery)
7 p.m.

Foam Dance Party (Smith Quad)
7 p.m.



Uptown: Pool Contest
9:30 p.m.

ACE Movie: "Vanilla Sky" (LC Forum)
10:30 p.m.

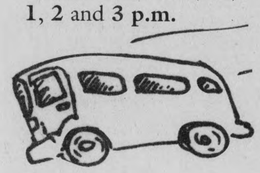
Late Night Music: Beki Hemingway (7th Street Café)
11 p.m.

Saturday SAT September 14

Trip: New York City (Downhill LC)
7 a.m.

Susquehanna Valley Mall Shuttle (LC)
3 and **6 p.m.**

Wal-Mart Shuttle (LC)
1, 2 and **3 p.m.**



Anime Society Viewing (LC 301)
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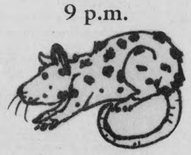
Catholic Mass (Rooke Chapel)
5:30 p.m.

Comedian: Ardie Fuqua (Bison)
9 p.m.



Outdoor Film: "The Royal Tenenbaums" (Rooke Chapel Lawn)

Sunday SUN September 15

Friends Meeting (Smith Library)
10:30 a.m.

Interdenominational Worship Service (Rooke Chapel)
11 a.m.

Catholic Mass (Rooke Chapel)
4 p.m.

Anime Society Viewing (LC 301)
4 p.m.

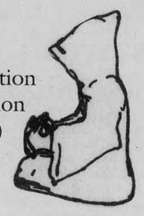
Circle K Meeting (LC 302)
6:30 p.m.

"Safe Sex on Campus" (Larison 130)
8 p.m.

Catholic Mass (Larison Dining Hall)
10 p.m.

Monday MON September 16

Zen Meditation (Meditation Chapel)
4 p.m.



SAMS Meeting (LC 217)
8 p.m.

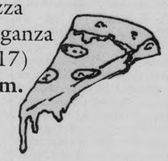
Turkish Student Association Meeting (LC 233)
8 p.m.

Tuesday TUE September 17

ACE Meeting (LC 304)
11:30 a.m.

Sirens Meeting (Taylor 115)
12 p.m.

Pizza Extravaganza (LC 217)
5:45 p.m.



International Spectrum Meeting (Taylor 115)
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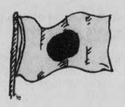
Japan Society Meeting (LC 304)
7 p.m.



LGBT Film Series: "But I'm a Cheerleader" (LC Gallery Theatre)
8 p.m.

Wednesday WED September 18

CDC Jumpstart (Biology 221)
5 p.m.

ACE Movie: "Ocean's 11" (Vaughan Literature Auditorium)
10:30 p.m.

Thursday THU September 19

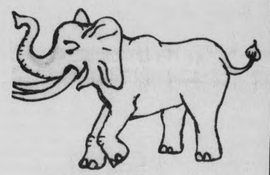
Intervarsity Christian Fellowship Meeting (LC 241D)
8 a.m.

Catholic Campus Ministry Meeting (LC 302)
12 p.m.

Fourth Sunday Choir Rehearsal (Meditation Chapel)
5:30 p.m.

CALVIN & HOBBES Meeting (Vedder 127)
6 p.m.

Conservatives Club Meeting (Taylor 115)
8 p.m.



"The Well" Worship Service (LC 213)
8:30 p.m.

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Ceremony appropriate way to commemorate tragedies

One year ago this past week, America experienced its greatest tragedy when terrorists crashed planes into the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. America also saw a courageous act that day when the passengers of Flight 93 stormed the cockpit and prevented the plane from crashing into its unknown target. Although the events took place many miles away, the consequences of these acts of terrorism were still felt at the University.

Now, one year later, people around the country are commemorating the events of Sept. 11 by holding ceremonies, wearing patriotic ribbons and even just spending time with family and friends. Here at the University, administrators and the community decided that the most effective and appropriate way to observe the anniversary of Sept. 11 would be to have a moment of silence at 8:47 a.m., the time when the plane hit the north tower, provide support for University community members, hold religious services and hold an all-campus ceremony called Remembrance, Reflection and Renewal.

The University events and ceremonies that took place on Sept. 11, 2002, proved to be an effective way to commemorate the anniversary. The events provided students with the opportunity to reflect on the past year, as well as be a part of the University community that came together and continued to be strong when the tragic events occurred.

Although some students questioned the University's decision not to cancel classes on Sept. 11, both this year and last year, that decision was made in the best interest of the students in mind. President George W. Bush requested that Americans try their best to move on with their lives, and the University aided in Bush's optimism for the future of America by maintaining scheduled classes.

Wednesday's ceremony continued Bush's request and further conveyed a sense of hope.

During the Remembrance, Reflection and Renewal ceremony, students gathered behind Rooke Chapel, as University faculty and students reflected on the past year by sharing speeches, poems and other words of hope and pride. Vice President of Student Affairs Charles Pollock '70 reminded the community of how it prevailed last year and rallied in support of one another.

On Wednesday, there was a table in the LC giving out red, white and blue ribbons, and international students held baskets of 9/11 commemorative pins for distribution following the ceremony. Although the events happened a year ago, the University community's support and pride was still evident throughout the day.

While most of the ceremony illustrated a positive, sentimental and hopeful attitude, one speech expressed a negative perception of people. Rabbi Serena Fujita's speech presented the idea that although people showed pride and a caring nature around the time of Sept. 11, those attitudes have disappeared and people have stopped expressing the kindness that swept the nation last year. She suggested selfishness has taken over in the place of the international selflessness expressed immediately following last year's terrorist attacks.

However, the amount of people throughout the world, nation and University that participated in Wednesday's commemoration proves that that kindness has not disappeared and that people's support for one another has remained prevalent. For example, from a human American flag in Australia, to a wreath placed at an American embassy abroad, to bagpipers marching through New York City streets, the world has come together once again, as did Bucknellians in the solitary grove behind Rooke Chapel.

Liberty and justice for some

By Katie Parker
Senior Writer

President George W. Bush's front of harmless ignorance and hilarious grammatical mishaps had somewhat lulled me into a false sense of security—admittedly, I felt less than threatened by a man whose political rhetoric rivals that of a 10-year-old's.

Fortunately, the illusion has passed, and I wake up to a nightmarish state of affairs, where the implementation of a detrimental conservative agenda seems just steps away, and where I am beginning to find my role in this society, formerly my choice, to be prescribed to me. And here I thought George was just choking on pretzels, not forcing standards down my throat.

Here's a little how-to manual on surviving the rest of the Bush administration:

First off, don't be an independent, unmarried, sexually active woman if you can help it—one shudders to even think of it!. The key here is being sexually active, as your contraception may not be covered by insurance by the time ol' George leaves office.

In his 2002 budget, Bush cut out funding for contraceptive coverage in the Federal Employee Health Benefits Plan (FEHBP). Lucky for us single-and-lovin'-it women, the U.S. House of Representatives restored the funding for this year, and Bush did not try and exclude it from the budget for fiscal year 2003. In my opinion, the old "family values" mantra should be replaced by the slogan "Get Impregnated!," considering Viagra is still covered and is in no danger of being cut from the FEHBP's budget.

Oh, and girls, watch out if you do happen to get unexpectedly pregnant. Not only has the Bush administration taken several steps to try and undermine abortion rights, but his 2002 proposed budget also sought to cut maternal and child health block grants providing health care to women before, during and after their pregnancies.

Second of all, don't be a homosexual. Bush is a big supporter of Texas's sodomy law, which makes same-sex sexual activity illegal, defending this measure as a "symbolic gesture of traditional values."

In 1999, as governor, he opposed a hate crimes bill specifically because it included sexual orientation in the definition of a hate crime; in the same year, he supported a measure banning gay couples from becoming foster parents or adopting foster children. He also supports the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy, a measure allowing the military to expel personnel for being openly homosexual.

Third of all, be Christian. Bush's "Faith-Based Advisory Committee," which heads the House-Senate Republican Faith-Based Leadership summit, is made up of president-appointed representatives, some of whom have demonstrated highly prejudicial attitudes towards people of different faith and sexual orientation.

Americans United for Separation of Church and State (AU) reports that presidential appointee Bishop J. Delano Ellis II, a minister who was dismissed as Cleveland police chaplain in 1995, has called Jewish people "carnal, selfish ... dirty and lowdown and wicked," while maintaining that "God allowed Hitler to rise up and make [them] all suffer." A fellow appointee, the Rev. Louis P. Sheldon, has declared a "homosexual invasion" in the United States that could result in the "stealing of our children." This "honorable" advisory board member has also previously suggested that we quarantine AIDS patients in "cities of refuge."

All this is not to say that there is something novel or subversive about the Oval Office's promotion of certain types of lifestyles. By all means, choose to be married before you have children, choose to be heterosexual, choose to be Christian. What is alarming about the stuttering man behind the desk is not the advancement of conservative ideologies, but the extent of his agenda and the steps he has taken to implement these measures so that our "choice" as Americans is in danger of becoming more and more limited.

Our country should not be about the eradication of individual freedoms and choices, but rather a celebration of them, which is why it is necessary to expose the prejudices rampant in the current administration and the standards implied by these dramatic policy shifts.

Still, maybe I've simply misunderstood many of these policies, despite the fact that they are spelled out for me in clear English. It's certainly quite possible that I misinterpreted the oratorical genius of our president's recent announcement: "We hold dear what our Declaration of Independence says, that all have got unalienable rights, endowed by a Creator." Hmmm. Unalienable rights, huh? Thank goodness for that.

Investors' trust and money misplaced

By Michael Niebauer
Senior Writer

In the financial papers of the nineties, CEO names were as well known as celebrities or perhaps movie and sports stars. Now, in the third year of a bear market, the financial pages from *The New York Times* to Britain's *Financial Times* show that trillions of dollars of equity have been lost.

Through Securities and Exchange Commision (SEC) investigations and a now-outraged public demanding them, many pay and compensation packages are becoming public. The arrogance of the times allowed for many hard-to-justify or illegal extravagances.

It makes you feel that shareholders should demand better disclosure of corporate board actions if they are to be asked to withstand the losses in this one-sided relationship.

From the New York *Daily News* article, Tyco's former CEO Dennis Koslowski, still holds his New York corporate-paid apartment even after being investigated for tax evasion charges.

Sandy Weill, CEO of Citigroup, admitted to "inappropriate behavior" by stock traders giving preferential treatment to larger clients on stock options at their Solomon-Smith Barney unit, according to the *Financial Times*.

Citigroup is also under investigation for predatory lending practices by the Congressional Banking Committee and the SEC.

On the syndicated Louis Rukeyser's "Wall Street," Weill stated that incidents like these have contributed to the current crisis of confidence in financial markets. This was weeks before the July stock market meltdown. Citigroup has lost over one-third of its worth during this calendar year so far.

Mutual fund managers also became stars in the '90s, but they have become strangely silent now.

One grand exception is Jack Bogel, chairman and founder of the Vanguard Fund.

On Rukeyser's show, he stated that the major funds sold more than they advised in the '90s and initiated and issued too many new funds in general, even advertising the "best performers," which he labeled inappropriate.

Bogel said that the current silence of most major fund managers about financial shenanigans is shameful in light of the massive losses this summer. Bogel feels that Wall Street will lose the credibility battle if the herd mentality doesn't end.

Also a new era of credible workman-like representation and consultation must replace the wide-open ill-use and abuse of small stockholders and shareholders. More rights and disclosure to shareholders is necessary.

Another gut check for corporate investors was illustrated in *The New York Times* article during a divorce proceeding between former General Electric CEO Jack Welch and his second wife, when company-sponsored perks were disclosed.

General Electric's stock has been depressed because of transparency problems. Welch's total yearly compensation in 2000 was $16.7 million before his retirement last September.

The following costs were never released to stockholders and are still somewhat incomplete. However, these perks will continue throughout his retirement.

His wife's divorce documentation continues, "A yearly retainer of $86,000.00, the use of company aircraft, the use of a company apartment owned by GE, floor-level seats to the New York Knicks, tickets to the U.S. Open, satellite television to all four homes and all costs associated to the New York apartment, from wine, food, laundry, to toiletries and newspapers."

Welch, a wildly profitable corporate CEO and best-selling author, is worth $900 million. He was married for 12 years, and is protected by a pre-nuptial agreement.

The soon-to-be former Mrs. Welch provided an expert assessment—the use of the company's Boeing 737 aircraft alone is worth $291,869 a month or 3.5 million yearly. These benefits are irrevocable and will go uncontested in court by shareholders since the GE board awarded these perks by a legal vote. Shareholder advocates show disgust at this, but all of it is legal.

In a splashy headline in the New York *Daily News* entitled "GREED!," Jack Welch proudly stated that he was worth every penny and perk.

Protections from general corporate transparency to full disclosure of all transactions under federal law must happen, or Jack Bogel unfortunately will be correct. Bogel's prediction that Wall Street will lose its battle for credibility with small and large investors and government too will be sadly true.

The investing public simply deserves to know what exactly it is they pay for, or this isn't investing—it is gambling, plain and simple, with rules made up during the game.

Letters to the editor

9/11 remembered

To the Editor:

We at Bucknellians for Peace would like to extend our deepest sympathies to those who lost loved ones in the tragedy that occurred one year ago. The events of last year have affected us all in some way, and we empathize with those that have been having difficulty. We all have felt a loss, and the community of support is there for those that need it. We encourage everyone to reflect upon how they are able not only to help themselves, but help others as well.

With deepest condolences,
Bucknellians for Peace

Calendar questioned

To the Editor:

We recently downloaded the academic calendar for University. Alas, we were appalled to see some flagrant omissions! During the fall semester it is very well noted of the six Jewish religious acknowledgements, and even one for Ramadan. Mention is made of Passover in the spring semester along with Easter. We find it startling that there is no mention of Christmas nor Good Friday, and for that matter with all else you mentioned, All Saints Day in November. If this was an oversight, you should be embarrassed. If it was intentional you, should be ashamed of yourself.

Sincerely,
Mr. & Mrs. P.J. Del Giudice

Posters misrepresent

To the Editor:

I am writing concerning some signs that were recently put up on campus regarding the "living wage" issue. I do not mean the Conservatives Club's (BUCC) "here and now common sense" posters, but the posters that purport to be written by the BUCC, stating that members of the club oppose the "living wage" because "we like eating hamburgers more than they (the staff) deserve to feed their families."

I, as well as the rest of the BUCC, simply want to make sure the campus is aware that this notion is erroneous and libelously attributed to the members of the Conservatives Club. The "thoughts" on those posters are not ours, but, in fact, belong to someone without the class to even put his/her name, instead of ours, on his/her reckless insults.

Sincerely,
Denise Chaykun '04
President of the Conservatives Club

**Write a letter to the editor.
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Opinions

Point system is pointless

By Tom Elliott
Senior Writer

Bored? I recommend taking a gander at the University's alcohol policy, located on pages 32-33 in the Student Handbook. You may find yourself inclined to agree with a growing sentiment: not only is it ineffective, it's dangerous. You may even be mildly amused.

The sanction system's most bothersome aspect is its overriding objectivity. There are innumerable ways in which hypothetical students could easily earn themselves a semester-long suspension. In the interest of observing the policy's effects in reality, I'll stick to actual events.

One student was recently notified by the administration that he would be required to leave school for the duration of this semester. He didn't vandalize, he didn't cheat and he didn't fail out. He was, however, caught drinking.

I don't want to trivialize underage drinking, but I do want to note that the school has an unusual attitude towards it—one that overly bastardizes booze.

The student had a clean record until April of his first year. During Houseparty weekend, he was caught with a beer on Fraternity Road. A week later, he was guilty of being in the presence of empty beer containers while also being under the age of 21. A week later, he was nabbed again, this time for tampering with snow-fence light bulbs while under the influence. This was the only incident that he felt merited a substantial punishment. These events amassed six points, and all within one month. Finally, along comes his sophomore year, and almost immediately, more trouble. This time, the crime was an open container, off campus.

Certainly his actions deserve repercussions. But is a semester-long suspension the appropriate recourse?

To help answer the question, I asked one of my friends, who missed fall semester last year under similar circumstances. (Ironically, weeks after he had left campus, he was found not guilty of the public-drunkenness charge. But it was too late, he had already been suspended.)

"My semester off was spent working," he said. "It sucked because everyone was progressing while I was forced to stay stuck in time for four months. When I finally came back, my brain was out of shape. It was my worst academic semester here."

The deans claim that the threat of suspension is a worthy deterrent. Maybe. Is it possible to deter underage drinking while simultaneously acting proactively? I believe it is, and I believe this alcohol policy fails miserably in achieving this ideal.

Alcohol is to Dean Ferraro what Shaq is to the 76ers—you can't stop it, you can only hope to contain it. Underage drinking is not preventable. A stringent alcohol policy is one idea, but there are others. No policy will ever be 100 percent effective, but it is possible to create a system in which underage drinking occurs as infrequently and harmlessly as possible. It's also advantageous to have punishments that will teach the culprit, benefit others or procure other positive outcomes. Suspending students achieves none of these objectives.

It takes eight points to earn a semester-long vacation. Playing beer pong is five points. If you get caught playing this game twice, your parents will wish it were OK to be happy about spending so much more time together. Pong is by far the most unduly punished violation in the entirety of the policy. DUIs and supplying minors with alcohol are the only other violations carrying five points. This being so outlandish, I hereby challenge the administration to produce one study that shows any danger in playing the game. If they can't, why shouldn't we be allowed to play it?

Not only does our current policy do little to combat the dangers of underage drinking, it also encourages even more dangerous drinking habits. The reasoning is twofold.

First, it is not in the interest of the administration to drive a wedge between the students and those in charge. Previously, a student's record wouldn't collect violations in the cumulative fashion it currently does. It was possible to make a mistake, pay the price and to continue to roam campus without fearing Public Safety like it was the enemy. Now, a student with points has an increased incentive to cease communication with Public Safety, the agency in charge of protecting the student body. In uncertain times, it now becomes questionable to call for help from Public Safety. This leads to the second reason.

Ferraro seems to be on the Evangelical Hospital receptionist's speed dial. Every student who's admitted for anything alcohol-related usually ends up talking to Ferraro shortly after. If you have consumed alcohol to the point where you need to seek medical attention—yet have some write-ups from your first-year RA—in your hazy state, it may seem more reasonable to hope for the best, rather than risk certain suspension by going to the hospital.

Public Safety seems determined to not let one incident go unnoticed. Even before the first two weeks of the school year had elapsed, 50 students living in Bucknell West had been written up. Fifty! More recently, a student was acting in a highly condemnable nature—breaking windows—and soon Public Safety attempted to detain him. When he failed to comply, the officer threw his flashlight at his back, knocking the student over, so he could then be written up. I detest people who vandalize, but I question if this kind of action is necessary to further the interest of Public Safety. This type of statistic reflects less an implication of a rambunctious student body, rather, that of overzealous enforcement.

The alcohol policy would only gain effectiveness if it were to lose its cumulative point methodology. What can be accomplished through accumulating points can be done so without the actual points. A student's record should be available to the deans when he commits an infraction so that everything is weighted accordingly. There's no reason action should be taken because a chart says so. I believe the deans are able to determine appropriate punishments without their higher-up, The Chart.

Many students who must take the semester off have parents that are unwilling to continue to finance their tuition. For some, crossing the eight-point threshold means the indefinite end of their higher learning experience. The deans shouldn't be able to alter the direction of our collegiate careers because of an empty container.

Much ado about global warming

By Josh Fisher
Opinions Editor

For decades now conservatives have yelled and screamed about the liberal myth that is global warming. Oil companies and their political crony counterparts have gone to great efforts to find scientists who will prove that it does not exist, that this is just another "tree-hugging-pinko-commie" ploy.

Well guess what. If you have enough money, you can hire scientists to prove that arsenic makes a good toothpaste. Such is the beauty of America, the best democracy money can buy!

You might not have noticed, but the Bush Administration has quietly admitted that global warming is indeed taking place, and that human activity is most likely the cause.

What was that? Did you just suck up 30 years worth of vitriol, hoping that nobody noticed? Oh, too bad that we didn't even get to see you swallow.

The obvious solution to this problem, developed by the great minds and razor-sharp intellect of this administration; do exactly nothing about it.

Unbelievable, yes. But in the parlance of "self-help," the first step to recovery is admitting you have a problem. Let us clarify:

The United States, in a study recently conducted by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), has admitted to the United Nations "the changes observed over the last several decades are likely mostly due to human activities."

Although the report did not, go so far as to rule out that some of these changes might be a reflection of natural variability, ignoring this problem could still have more dire consequences than expected.

Greenhouse gases and other pollutants stay in the atmosphere anywhere from 100 to 1,000 years, meaning whatever steps are taken today, humanity (along with the rest of planet) is doomed to experience the lag effects of at least the past 100 years of human activity.

Global warming is expected to substantially change our climate within the next few decades with serious consequences, including heat waves, water shortages, rising sea levels, imbalanced ecosystems and more frequent and violent weather.

But although the U.S. Climate Action Report 2002 warns of catastrophe, it also recommends simply adapting to these "inevitable" changes, maintaining that *there is no reason to reduce oil consumption or limit the output of greenhouse gases, including carbon dioxide, one of the main contributants to the global warming phenomenon.*

According to United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, the rest of the world has known that we have had a "discernible impact" on the environment for a while now. And for the first time, in this incredible turn of events, the Bush administration acknowledges that global warming is indeed mostly caused by humans burning fossil fuels!

Yes, that's right. And they still propose to do exactly nothing about it.

I can just see the beads of sweat on ol' Dubya's brow as he tries to calm the nation, offering an odd smirk and a sincere message of hope: Don't panic. Go about your business as usual. Purchase gas. For God's sake, people, there is no need to curb your consumption of oil or other oil-related products.

But human consumption has an environmental impact? Yes, it's hard to believe! Well, what do you think we should do, consume less? That's ridiculous! To a lifelong oilman like Bush, it is certainly nothing less than heresy.

While never actually denying the report (and never actually reading it either—he was only briefed on it, sources say), Bush has refused the EPA's findings as a product of "bureaucracy," that ever-present and villainous "bogy man" of right-wing ideology.

Conservatives and representatives of the oil industry, who will no doubt continue to dispute the damaging effects of global warming "from here to perpetuity," went apocalyptic at this announcement, fearing that (gasp!) the administration might shape policy around this report's disturbing conclusion.

Environmental groups worldwide have suggested a different strategy altogether than the Bush Administration's comprehensive "do nothing" plan. Some even suggest switching to clean, green energy sources immediately, reducing the output of pollution and greenhouse gases, which would mean a greater planetary chance of survival as well as greater economic and physical well-being for most Americans! Wahoo!

The downside? It might cut into those Exxon executives' pocketbooks, and we wouldn't want that to happen.

Economics department hypocritical towards Living Wage

By Aaron Hanlon
Writer

Accountability is important. Even the most knowledgeable, qualified and politically savvy are reduced to spectacles of hilarity and embarrassment when their actions fall short of their promises. Everyone is guilty of this at least once in a lifetime (or a week), but those who are entrenched in heated ideological campaigns are generally held to a higher level of scrutiny.

Such is the dilemma of the economics department here at the University, in which the office doors are adorned with "Living Wage" posters, calling for "Here and Now Justice"

Unfortunately, the Department of Praise for Sweden has come down with a serious case of foot-in-mouth: self-advertised champions of the Living Wage Campaign, the department has sent out a regrettable e-mail to all economics majors showcasing their unwillingness to financially support the program that it aggressively lauds time and again.

The e-mail, written on behalf of the economics department and signed by Department Chairperson and Associate Professor of Economics Janet Knoedler, requests a student to take on the paid position of "student assistant" in a rare and unexpected display of appreciation for capitalist endeavors.

According to the e-mail, the responsibilities of this position would be "such duties as retrieving the departmental copies of *The New York Times* from the Bookstore and the departmental copies of the *Financial Times* and *The Wall Street Journal* every morning and delivering them to the economics office."

Essentially, the elitists in the economics department would rather spend department funds on an errand boy to deliver their papers roughly 150 yards uphill from the Langone Center than put excess funds toward their noble and exultant "Living Wage" cause.

This is particularly ironic in light of the recently posted attacks against the Conservatives Club's opposition to the "Living Wage Campaign," suggesting falsely and without any empirical evidence (libelously) that the Conservatives Club cares more about the privilege of eating good hamburgers than the livelihood of the "underpaid" support staff's "starving" children.

The irony lies in the fact that the people in the economics department (many of whom support the "Living Wage Campaign" and the messages of the signs that defame the Conservatives Club), have proven blatantly in this e-mail that they would rather pay a student to fetch the newspapers than walk literally less than two minutes to the Langone Center in the morning and save some cash on the side that could potentially be reallocated to a "Living Wage" fund.

This hypocritical scenario is an exceptionally lucid illustration of what is perhaps the most ridiculous aspect of the University's "Living Wage" campaign: Those who seem to support it the most also happen to be those who want to pay for it the least.

Instead, many who support the campaign are elitist idealogues who think, in some sort of twisted, degenerated logic, that everyone else should pay for their cause and fetch their newspapers!

It is admirable and a compliment to people's character to avidly support a cause in which they truly believe. Conversely, it is deplorable for people to defame and criticize those who do not support their cause when they fail to live up to their own recommendations.

I humbly suggest to the economics department: Put your money and your actions where your mouth is. Should you decide not to take my suggestion, I am more than willing to pick up your newspapers in the morning for $10.54 an hour, though my union contract stipulates that I would have to receive overtime compensation to fetch your slippers.

**Have an opinion?
Then write for Ops!**

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Walking campus will benefit University

By Jeff Day
Writer

As I stand in front of Dana Engineering, I find it hard to believe that this beautiful area was a concrete parking lot only a year ago.

For those of you who are new to campus, or who have simply never ventured to that "engineering place," the change that took place over the summer to convert a parking lot into a grass quad was simply remarkable. Not only does it beautify a section of campus, but it also contributes to the University's environment in which you don't have to look both ways before going to class.

This commitment to a truly rural environment has been a crucial factor for many prospective students in their decision to attend the University. We are, or have been, students here, and, for many of us, the appearance of campus played a major role in our decision to come to the University.

It is true that over the years, the appearance of this campus has changed dramatically. The past two years alone have shown major changes, including the addition of McDonnell Hall, Sigfried Weis Music Building and, of course, the impending athletic center. These have certainly changed not only the appearance of campus, but the size and character as well.

Additions and subtractions from the campus setting such as these can begin to detract from the original University environment. Consequently, the school has decided to convert much of its concrete and pavement into grass and walkways.

The question that must be answered is, "how far will the process go?"

Currently, the University is moving toward a "walking campus." This would eliminate the need and/or ability of students to drive around campus.

Now hold on. I know that at first this idea seems unfavorable and without cause, however, the benefits may indeed outnumber the drawbacks.

Although the University is indeed a beautiful school, many students feel that "crossing streets" on campus detracts from the rural atmosphere of the University. Furthermore, despite the small inconvenience that it does create, it would certainly be enjoyable to walk around an even more beautiful campus without the beeping of car horns or the sight of passing Jettas.

I'll admit that it is extremely nice to be able to cross campus by automobile and, for that matter, park right next to each building. But the University is committed to maintaining that small school aura while on college grounds, and turning it into a walking campus would help such a cause.

The most important thing to keep in mind, quoting "What About Bob," is, "baby steps."

We will not wake up tomorrow morning to see the inner roads and parking lots of the campus removed, nor will all roads cease to exist. Instead, the perimeter streets and parking areas will still be in place, and additional parking will be created. The administration is aware of the significance of such a change, and is still discussing the matter and its effects.

As a non-driver on campus, I freely admit that I have a different opinion than those who may cross campus often via their vehicles. My view is also not set in stone. There are certain aspects of a walking campus that need to be modified and questioned.

Whatever solution the administration decides to implement will undoubtedly be in the best interest of the students and faculty. We will just have to wait and see.

BUSINESS & POLITICS

The business of rebuilding

Courtesy of Reuters

On the one year anniversary of the World Trade Center attacks, a ceremony was held at the bomb site. Efforts to rebuild around the site are already underway.

By Jim Leahy
Senior Writer

Lower Manhattan is one of the most vital areas of the New York City economy, a place where many of the world's most powerful financial firms operate and some of the world's biggest stock exchanges trade. Until just over a year ago, the area was home to a vibrant atmosphere and extensive commerce. Then Sept. 11 came. Now there is a 16-acre hole, numerous businesses displaced and a dispute over what to do next.

What stood on that 16-acre hole was once known as the World Trade Center, a complex completed in 1973. The Twin Towers were Manhattan's most readily visible buildings and they stood above a complex that housed thousands of workers, millions of square feet of office space, thousands of square feet of retail space and a transportation facility connecting the area with New Jersey and the rest of New York City.

One and Two World Trade Center were 110-story towers that, according to CNN, contained 4.8 million square feet of available space, with each floor taking up one acre. Three World Trade Center was a hotel containing 600,000 square feet of space and Four, Five and Six World Trade Center contained a total of 1.4 million square feet of floor space. In addition, Seven World Trade Center stood across the street with its own office space.

Around the complex there were other buildings that were severely damaged. The World Financial Center, which runs along the Hudson River, sustained heavy damage when the towers fell and was shut for many months as renovations were undertaken. The center was home to companies like American Express and Dow Jones. The Winter Garden, an atrium among the World Financial Center buildings, was opened last week to much fanfare, ahead of schedule.

Legendary Century 21, a large discount department store across the street from the complex, also sustained heavy damage when the towers fell. It was closed until late February while crews spent $10 million, according to *Newsweek*, to reconstruct the space. The company has no plans to leave.

Additionally, businesses like the telephone company Verizon are rebuilding their infrastructure in the area. The phone provider had a major switching station located under Seven World Trade Center. According to a November *Wall Street Journal* report, the company's infrastructure was rebuilt in the area, with all 300,000 lost phone lines restored.

The losses in Lower Manhattan are staggering. According to a *Newsweek* report, "six buildings and 13.4 million square feet of space were destroyed, and a further 21 million square feet damaged. About 100,000 jobs were lost and $1.6 billion in much-needed city taxes. The total economic losses by the end of the year have been calculated at more than $50 billion."

But New York is beginning to recover, and the signs are everywhere.

Amazingly, many of the businesses in the area have returned to their former offices following the attacks.. They have found is that life is very different. Security is tighter, people are more on edge and there is the empty feeling of that space to which everyone keeps returning.

The first thing you notice is the security. The New York Stock Exchange, about three blocks from the site, is one of the most heavily guarded sites in all of Manhattan.. Employees and visitors go through extensive security. Any deliveries coming to the building must be put through scanners, and the roads around the building are closed off with heavily laden pickup trucks guarding them. Most employees working around the area now wear photo identification at all times to get into and out of their buildings. The people are another story. All around Lower Manhattan, people have been coming back to their residences, businesses and restaurants to begin their lives again. The streets are full of people, including plenty of tourists. Any loud noise or airplane overhead instantly gets people wondering if there is an attack underway. But people are again in Lower Manhattan, a sign that life does go on.

Then there is the subject of the site itself. It has become the star of the show, the center of everyone's attention. Tourists visit the site non-stop during the day, and the street vendors flock to the area to take advantage of their wallets. The site is still empty and, as of right now, there are many different plans on how to rebuild it. Some include new towers, some include transportation hubs and all include some sort of memorial.

Lower Manhattan will never be the same following the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. However, the people of New York are trying to recover, to bring back normalcy to the area. Businesses are open again, tourists and residents walk the streets and eat in the restaurants and people have regained their swagger. But there is still an emptiness there that is hard to shake.

Zimbabwe must change its direction

By Gretchen Schrock
Business and Politics Editor

B & P Commentary

The history books on the colonial relationship between Africa and Europe during the past two centuries have been written and remain in the process of minor revisions as new insights and explanations are formulated. The President of Zimbabwe Robert Mugabe is extremely unsatisfied that the history books are on the editor's desk, destined soon for publication. He wants to turn back the clock and rewrite the ruinous saga of colonialism that has forever altered the lives of his fellow Zimbabweans.

However delusional or naive one might consider this project of historical revision, Mugabe is employing all possible means, including illegal arrests and violence, to redraw the colonial map, which left millions of Africans stranded on rocky, arid soil with a tiny white minority in control of half of Zimbabwe's fertile land.

What is his proposal for rectifying this imperial injustice that has been ignored since its inception in the 1880s? Mugabe and his cronies view the seizure of nearly 5,000 white-owned farms and their redistribution to landless black—which has the support of other southern African countries like Namibia and Mozambique—as the logical and necessary steps to punish the selfishness of the whites.

"Greedy, greedy, greedy colonials," said Mugabe in a *New York Times* article. "We can't satisfy that greed at the expense of the rest of the people, you see."

The faulty assumption of Mugabe is that the Zimbabweans of European descent today share the same claims of superiority and colonial attitudes as their counterparts in the heyday of British expansionism. The majority of the families with English ancestry have farmed the land and called Zimbabwe home for generations, while maintaining relatively meager ties to Great Britain. Their forced evictions are considered the ultimate betrayal from the government to which they have pledged their loyalty. Mugabe should instead be praising them for making Zimbabwe one of Africa's main exporters of grain and a symbol of potential success in the post-colonial era.

The black peasants who have resettled on this disputed land do not possess the essential skills, knowledge and equipment to manage a prosperous farm, plunging Zimbabwe into severe food shortages. According to the *Washington Post*, the U.N. World Food Program estimates that as many as 6 million Zimbabweans face starvation if they do not receive food aid soon. Following the U.N. Conference on Sustainable Development, Secretary of State Colin Powell, among with other diplomatic figures, accused Mugabe of pushing the country to the brink of starvation.

Aggravating this threat of mass starvation is the fact that prominent politicians with close ties to Mugabe's government have conquered vast fertile farmlands, while many poor blacks are left with stretches lacking adequate water and sanitation.

"His violent land-reform program is about entrenching his political power and rewarding his cronies and not about addressing historical injustices," said Tendai Biti, a senior member of the opposition party, the Movement for Democratic Change, in a *New York Times* article.

If this statement is correct, then the issue is no longer the redistribution of property wealth and the legacy of colonialism, but instead the desire for absolute political control and corruption hidden by the veil of racism. Just as the destructive imperial tendencies of Europe in the last two centuries irreversibly altered peoples and nations in Africa, so too will the detrimental policies of Mugabe harm the citizens of Zimbabwe. How can the president claim that his program of land redistribution will lift his fellow blacks out of dire poverty when it results in widespread starvation and social chaos?

Mugabe must recognize that the ink is dry on the pages of colonial history and there is no way to erase the words. Instead of nostalgically looking back into the past and vainly searching for possible methods of reverting to a bygone era, one must acknowledge the present system and find viable ways for forward movement for all citizens. Flipping Zimbabwean society upside down, crossing our fingers and hoping that it would somehow undo the inequalities of colonialism is inviting the twin evils of political upheaval and economic disaster into the country.

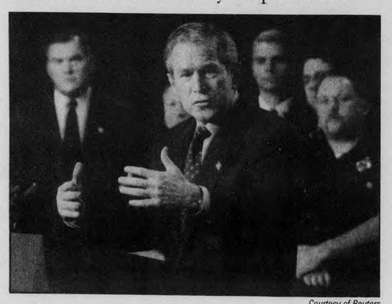
Increased social mobility for the black population would be better achieved through agricultural education and management training, along with some hands-on experience, giving them the skill sets required in the farming profession. With greater competency and enhanced confidence in their abilities, the black community would possess the foundation on which to build a renewed and stronger country.

The next chapter of Zimbabwe's history is waiting to be written and it is up to Mugabe to determine what the first sentences will be.

Bush and Lieberman push Homeland Security

The President continues to work with both parties in Congress and the Senate in an effort to establish the Homeland Security Department

By Michael Dudzinski
Writer



Courtesy of Reuters

Bush has threatened to use veto power on Homeland Security legislation if the Senate does not cooperate.

In wake of the first Sept. 11 anniversary, President George W. Bush and Sen. Joe Lieberman (D-Conn.) are pressuring Congress to approve the establishment of the Homeland Security Department. Much controversy has arisen in private and public sectors about its validation since Bush proposed the need for the department.

According to CNN, Bush has criticized the Democrat-led Senate for hinting at legislation that would curtail the administrative capabilities of the President and his Cabinet. If the agency is approved, it will attempt to consolidate over 20 government agencies such as the CIA and the INS. Bush said that the Senate legislation curtails the authority of the proposed department and underestimates its pertinence for keeping Americans safe.

Lieberman has pressed upon his Democratic counterparts that swift approval is necessary and that getting wrapped up in the minor details must be avoided. The former vice-presidential candidate supported his argument by legitimizing the need for a Department of Homeland Security in serving the best interests of the American people.

One problem that Bush addressed is the contention that complex regulatory statutes within the department may delay rapid response in the event of a national crisis, reported CBS News. Bush firmly stated that he would not allow special interests to interfere with the department's primary responsibility to protect the American people.

Senate Democrats countered Bush's assertions with a similar argument. Lieberman announced that his party's legislation would consolidate 24 security agencies in order to directly respond to terrorism. Lieberman also added that Bush supports a strictly bureaucratic structure similar to the agencies that failed to protect the American people last September. The Senate has become increasingly worried that Bush's demands would create a department too cumbersome to operate effectively. Senate Democrats also showed concern that the bureaucratic approach, supported by the president and the House of Representatives, would generate a security department that would undermine appropriate decision-making efforts.

Bush also requested that he have the power to hire, fire and transfer workers within the department, according to Reuters. This provision has been strongly opposed by Senate leaders due to the increased potential to infringe upon labor rights. Bush has threatened to use veto power if the Senate sends him legislation that does not permit direct authority over workers.

Amid the controversy, both parties within the Senate have expressed optimism that an agreement may soon be reached. Next week the Senate will resume voting on provisions that may or may not grant the authority over the department that the president is seeking

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Bison fall to Duquesne 35-14

Courtesy of Athletic Communications

Todd Weinrich '03, shown above in a game last year, threw for 106 yards but couldn't pull out the win.

By Cory Nadler
Senior Writer

After a similar beginning to the 2001 season, the Bucknell football team has to put its 35-14 opening day loss to the Duquesne Dukes behind it and looks forward to playing on the west coast this Saturday. In this year's opener, the Bison have a chance to put their season on the right track when they travel to California to play St. Mary's on Sept. 14.

The Bison defense picked up where it left off last season, shutting down the opposition's running game. However, the offense could not pick up the slack for the Bison early on, going three and out on its first four possessions. Duquesne eventually found their way into the end zone late in the first quarter on an eight-yard pass play to make the score 7-0.

Offensively, things came together for the Bison midway through the second quarter. Bucknell strung together a seven-play, 55-yard scoring drive, capped off by a 16-yard touchdown pass from Todd Wenrich '03 to Nisan Trotter '05, to tie the score at seven with eight minutes and 53 seconds remaining in the first half.

On the ensuing drive, the Dukes connected on a 74-yard touchdown pass on second down. The two play drive gave Duquesne a 14-7 lead. Both teams struggled to move the ball for the remainder of the half, and the Dukes took a 14-7 lead into the locker room.

Defense ruled the third quarter, as neither team was able to put the ball into the end zone. The Bison looked as though they were going to put the ball in for a score towards the end of the period, but Wenrich was intercepted in the end zone, and the quarter ended with the score still 14-7 in favor of Duquesne.

The defense held for the Bison one more time at the beginning of the fourth quarter, and the Bucknell offense was put in position to tie the game. Jess Brinson '04 capped off the six-play, 49-yard drive with a

Bucknell	14
Duquesne	35

four-yard touchdown run. Chris Lundberg '03 added the extra point to tie the score at 14 with 10:54 remaining in regulation.

On the next Bucknell possession, Wenrich was picked off again. Duquesne returned the interception 32 yards to the Bucknell 11-yard line. Two plays later, the Dukes put the ball in the end zone to take a 21-14 lead that they would not relinquish. On the next Bison possession, Wenrich was intercepted again, and Duquesne returned the ball 46 yards for a touchdown, pushing its lead to 28-14.

The Bison turned the ball over on their next three possessions. Following an interception of backup quarterback Kyle Fields '05, the Dukes connected for an 18-yard touchdown pass to make the final score 35-14.

The general consensus among Bison players and coaches was that they did not execute the way they had planned.

"We came out with a plan, and we just did not execute," Lundberg said.

Bucknell turned the ball over six times against Duquesne.

"Penalties and turnovers kill you," Assistant Coach Dave Kotulski said. "It's our ball, and we can't let somebody else have it."

"With six turnovers, you definitely cannot win a game," Lundberg said.

Kotulski seemed very confident in the future of his team, and especially Wenrich, his quarterback.

"[Wenrich] will bounce back and lead us to where we need to be," Kotulski said. "I feel good about where we are, but we have a long way to go," he added.

Now the Bison look forward to traveling across the country to play a tough opponent, St. Mary's College.

"We just have to put it behind us, take that loss and try to turn it into a positive and learn from our mistakes," Lundberg said.

"I think we will make a big improvement for next week," Wenrich said.

"We have a great task ahead of us in St. Mary's," Kotulski said. "They are going to move the ball. They know what they are doing, and hopefully we can come out and perform up to our potential."

Women's soccer edges Marist

By Dave Cohen
Senior Writer

The Bucknell women's soccer team came out victorious over Marist on Sunday, Sept. 8 by the score of 1-0. The Bison, who were shut out by the identical score in their recent match-up with Saint Francis of Pennsylvania, controlled the game with a tally of 20 total shots attempted on goal.

Bucknell	1
Marist	0

The Orange and Blue defense was stellar once again, as it allowed just eight shots on goal, four of which were denied by goalie Laurie Purse '03. The Bison defense has squandered a mere four points over the first three games. Purse feels as if the squad will always have a good opportunity to stay competitive because of its strength defensively. She is also certain that winning by virtue of a shutout was imperative to rejuvenate the team after it came up short against Saint Francis despite dominating the game.

"We are just as strong if not stronger this year than we were last year," Purse said. "We have a lot of young players that are becoming dominant defensively. This was a good win to regain confidence in defending our title."

It wasn't until the 71st minute that the Bison got themselves on the board, thanks to Emily Keber '03.

"It felt great to score the goal," Keber said. "We all worked really hard the whole game. We had so many opportunities throughout the game and it felt great to finally capitalize."

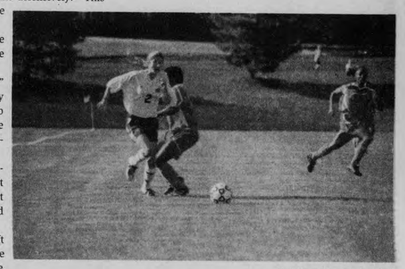
Abbey Seayboyer '04 was appreciative of Keber's goal because it alleviated some of the pressure that the defense had to withstand throughout the afternoon.

"Keber's goal was a great shift off a corner," Seaboyer said. "She was right where she had to be. Keber tends to come through when we need her and yesterday was a prime example of that."

The play began with a corner kick by Michelle Santonacita '05, which Keber received before striking the ball into the net from 16 yards out. Santonacita credits an intense halftime discussion for the team's ability to put the ball into the net in the second half. She, like Purse, feels as if the victory was crucial in bouncing back from the Saint Francis loss.

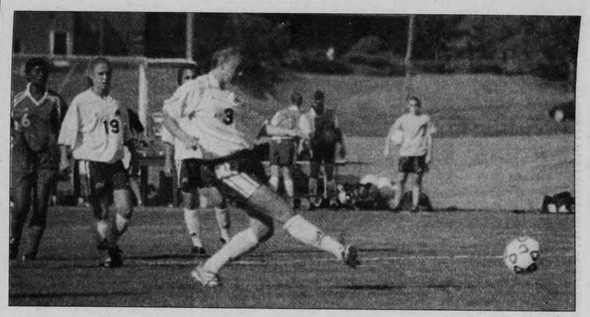
"We were working really hard out of the back just to get the ball up the field in the first half," Santonacita said. "Once we got the ball up there we were having trouble putting the ball away. We came out on fire in the second half and our goal was to make sure our hard work would be rewarded. By that we were going to have to take quality shots. It was critical to win this game because it brought up our moral. Nobody was happy coming out with a loss from the last game and this game put us back on our feet."

In a game that proved to be a defensive dogfight, Santonacita and Keber provided most of the offensive firepower throughout. The two combined for seven shots on goal in helping the Orange and Blue improve its record to 2-1, 0-0 for the season.



Matt Vanaskie—*The Bucknellian*

Margaret Emmitt '06 helped shut out Marist on Sunday.



Matt Vanaskie—*The Bucknellian*

Rachel Prowler '06 and the Bison held Marist scoreless in their 1-0 victory, improving their record to 2-1.

New-look logo surpasses expectations

By Brian Klotz
Senior Writer

The Bucknell athletics department delivered on its commitment to introduce a new logo by this fall. At a special ceremony held at the Weis Center on July 22, the new logos and word marks were unveiled as the new official representations of Bucknell sports.

"We are excited about the new athletics logo and related marks," Director of Athletics John Hardt said at the presentation. "Our goal with this project was to create a look that would be unique to Bucknell Athletics, but at the same time would fit in appropriately with the University's current word mark. We are very pleased with the results, and I am confident that our student-athletes, our graduates and our fans will take great pride in the new set of athletics marks."

The origins of the Bison mascot go back a long time. The University first became known as the "Bisons" in the early 1900s, when William Bartol, a longtime professor at the University, suggested that the nickname "Bisons" be adopted to give the sports teams a true nickname. The campus's location in the Buffalo Valley—where 10,000 American bison, or buffalo, used to roam—was a primary reason for the choice. Many logos of bison have appeared on football helmets and uniforms, but none were really considered official until around 1990.

The last official Bucknell sports logo first appeared on helmets of the football team during the 1990 football season and had a surprising similarity to the logo of the Buffalo Bills. This was no coincidence because it actually was the Buffalo Bills logo. Originally, permission was given to Bison Club Director Jim Cambell around 1988 to use the Bills logo on Bison Club letterhead. Campbell had connections with the NFL and the Bills at the time, which enabled him to get the written permission to use the logo solely for that purpose.

For reasons unknown, the logo began populating itself throughout the athletic department and soon became the official representation of Bucknell sports. It took Campbell's retirement from the Bison Club during the 1999-2000 academic year, severing the University's tie with the Bills, to make the athletics department realize the logo needed to change.

"We needed to create a look unique to Bison Athletics," Associate Director of Athletics and External Affairs Todd Newcomb said.

Working closely with artists from Joe Bosack Graphic Design Co. of Pipersville, Pa., during the 2001-2002 academic year, the Bucknell athletics department has created an identity it can finally call its own.

"The new marks have already been incorporated into many facets of the athletics and recreation program, including uniforms, stationary, the Web site and on and around the athletics facilities," Newcomb said. "It is our hope, and expectation, that the general fan base will come to identify Bucknell University by the new marks, and therefore we need to make them as visible as we can."

Response to the logo has been largely positive, often dealing with the originality of the design.

"I do think it is original," Luman Bauta '03, a member of the football team, said. "Original is good because a place like Bucknell is known for its originali-

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X-Country starts season with successful meet

Cecily Cairns—*The Bucknellian*

The Bison sent out 24 runners in the men's race on Saturday.

By Ashley Hall
Writer

On Sept. 7, the Bison men's and women's cross country teams started out the season on the right foot (no pun intended) with an impressive finish at the Spiked Shoe Invitational Meet at Penn State. Both the men's and women's teams finished among the top five in their races out of a total of 20 and 17 teams, respectively.

The women's team finished second out of 17, which was an excellent first step in defending its four-year title of Patriot League Champions. Theresa Dennis '03 finished ninth overall with a time of 22 minutes, 25.43 seconds for the 6k.

"I feel that this team did exactly what was needed to prove themselves as great runners," Dennis said. "We are made up of both new and experienced

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Sports

Men's soccer starts season off 4-0

By Tara Utchel
Senior Writer

The men's soccer team capped last week off with three wins to improve its season record to 4-0. The Bison traveled to Binghamton University Wednesday, Sept. 4 and came home with the first of their three shutouts, outscoring the Bearcats 2-0.

The Orange and Blue were outshot 10-7, but the defense managed to keep their opponents off the scoreboard. A little over six minutes into the game, forward Elliot Maruffi-Cowley '03 took advantage of a Binghamton mistake and rocketed a shot into the net.

Over a minute later, Nick Taylor '03 had a net-ripping shot from 22 yards out to score the Bison's second and last goal of the game. The defense took over for the remaining 82 minutes to hold Binghamton for the win.

Bucknell	2
Binghamton	0

The men traveled to the University of Buffalo this past weekend to play in the 2002 Bulls Fall Invitational. The Bison opened the tournament play against the hosts, the Buffalo Bulls. Both teams battled to get on the board, but the first half remained scoreless. Bucknell's Eric Brunton '06 ended the game's scoreless streak with a goal at the 68th minute.

The Bison's lead was sealed at two goals thanks to Chris Beekman's '04 one-on-one challenge with the Bulls goalie. Beekman's goal started with Adam Edwards' '06 punt from the Bison's defensive end. Steve Feather '03 won the air ball with a header directed towards Beekman. The Bulls had no chance, as Beekman sped past the defense and knocked the ball into the net.

"We were outplayed in the first half, but held on defensively. Our goalkeeper made some good saves to keep us in the game. The second half was a different story, as we pressured Buffalo and kept the ball in their end. We eventually got the goal and continued to push for the second goal, rather than set back and protect the 1-0 lead," Head Coach Brendan Nash said.

Bucknell	2
Buffalo	0

Bucknell came out on top at the Bull's Fall Invitational, when they beat Canisius 2-0 on Sunday, Sept. 8. In the first half, Maruffi-Cowley netted his second goal of

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New logo is a welcomed change

Courtesy of Athletic Communications

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ty." "I think the new Bison logo is a great addition not only for the basketball squad, but for Bucknell athletics as well," basketball player Boaki Lalugba '03 said. "It's unique, colorful, meaner looking and we won't be associated with the Buffalo Bills anymore."

Newcomb is very optimistic about the reactions and gives some perspective on the final design.

"We are extremely happy with the response the new graphics package has received, particularly from our student-athletes and our coaches," he said. "There are some out there, albeit a very small minority, that feel the Bison is too scary or mean looking, but we felt very strongly that the logo needed to convey an athletic image of a serious contender."

The result of all the hard work of the athletics department has produced a number of different logos. The main logo has a stampeding Bison with the words "Bucknell Bison" displayed below it and the secondary mark has just the head of the charging bison over the Bucknell "B." There are also word marks for each of the 26 varsity sports. According to Newcomb, there seems to be a split in liking the primary or secondary logo.

"There seem to be two separate favorites developing, in that the primary logo (with the words "Bucknell Bison" underneath it) is a hit with the alums and older crowd, while the secondary logo, featuring a bison head and the Bucknell "B," is more popular with the students and the student athletes," he said.

Either way, the new logo goes a long way towards moving the University's athletic image forward. Head Volleyball Coach Cindy Opalski believes strongly in the goals of the new logo.

"I think it's not only classy, but will also promote more departmental unity," Opalski said. "It's terrific that we have a unique mark that will help identify all the sports teams."

Anticipation grows for end to construction

Aaron DeRosa—The Bucknellian

The new Recreation and Athletic Center is scheduled to open in the spring of 2003. The facility will have a nutrition center, among other additions.

By Ainsley Maloney
Writer

It has been one year since the construction of the new Recreation and Athletic Center started, and curiosity about the building has continued to rise. Designed by Ewing Cole Cherry Brott Architects from Philadelphia, it is being constructed by R.S. Mowery and Sons at an estimated cost of $64,000,000.

Though the building is named the "Recreation and Athletic Center" for the time being, it is still subject to change. According to the Project Manager Angelo Vieceli, it is possible that the building may be named after an individual under the discretion of Ken Langone.

Curiosity about the progress of the building has left many people wondering when each facility will be open and who they will be opened to. Those interested in landmark events of the new athletic center are anxiously awaiting the first major milestones: the opening of the natatorium and the fitness center. These centers are expected to open in the middle of the first semester.

"We've been consistent on what's been communicated not knowing how the weather and construction would affect us. We were saying we'd like to open the first portion in early October and we're still here on that target," Senior Associate Athletics Director, Tim Pavlechko '91 said.

Unknown to many, portions of the new athletic center are currently in full use. The sports medicine center has been operational since the first day of classes, coaches have moved into new offices and some teams are moving into the new locker rooms.

"I get a little more excited by the little steps each day," Pavlechko said. "The target dates are slowly becoming a reality."

Vieceli set the final completion date for the spring of 2003. The last components will include a 4,000-seat pavilion housing three basketball courts and an instructional weight room where the old pool is currently located. The first event in the new pavilion, a women's and men's double-header against Lehigh, is tentatively set for Jan. 15—the first day of classes in the second semester, .

Though the wait is long for some, the results should be well worth it. The new facility holds many new options, including a nutritional center and snack bar which will provide an additional dining opportunity. In the fitness center, people will be able to complete their cardio workouts while watching television.

This opportunity will be provided through a system called "Broadcast vision" where people can tune into television stations through their walkmans. To the relief of many, the new center will also provide the luxury of air conditioning, which the old center lacked.

Not only will the new center provide more facilities, but it will also a greater number of activities. The extra space and equipment will provide such things as water aerobics and instructional weight lifting seminars, along with a coordinator for fitness and conditioning, as well as other added professionals.

Similarly, the new facility leaves the old facilities open for additional use. Davis Gym will still have three basketball courts, which will remain open for recreation.

"All the new facilities enhance what we used to be able to provide," Pavlechko said.

Until then, students are asked to remain flexible to the construction needs. The water polo team was asked to move its tournament to Franklin and Marshall since an event that size could not be hosted comfortably under the current conditions. Despite a few adjustments, many facilities are still accessible.

"We've done the best we can to continue to host events through the construction," Pavlechko said. "That was our goal, to keep things available as much as we could. The weight room and treadmills are still accessible; we didn't just close things down."

With some cooperation, students shouldn't be strongly affected by the construction, and with some patience, the facility will be ready in no time.

Volleyball improves to 4-3

By Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

The Bison volleyball squad charged ahead of the .500 mark last Tuesday evening, defeating Howard to improve its record to 4-3 on the season. The Orange and Blue dominated the match by a score of 3-1, due mainly to their powerful defensive play.

The Bison had little difficulty putting Howard away in the first game, as they pounded their opponent by a score of 30-22 during the contest. Their foe, also known as the Bison, proved stubborn in the second game, evening things up with a 32-30 victory.

In the final two games, the Orange and Blue battled on to win both contests 30-27 and 30-28, respectively, and grab the overall victory.

On the defensive side, Jessica Le '06 and Carolyn Dougherty '05 led the way, while Breean Trapasso '04 continued to keep the offensive action rolling with 47 assists. Brandi Trapasso '04 and Melanie Ghiz '03 tallied 27 kills apiece.

The defeat of Howard followed a successful performance in the Holiday Inn Express Tournament at Stonybrook from Sept. 6-7. The Bison managed a 2-1 record over the weekend, defeating St. Francis and Providence along the way.

Although falling to Stonybrook in the first match on Saturday, the Orange and Blue still put forth some impressive performances, as Ghiz and Brandi Trapasso each had 13 kills. The team regrouped for the afternoon contest to defeat Providence 3-1, after sweeping the last three games in the match.

Ghiz and Breean Trapasso were both named to the All-Tournament team after their stellar play throughout the weekend.

The Bison will host their own invitational this weekend, the Bull Run Invitational. The matches are on Friday, Sept. 13 and Saturday, Sept. 14.

Bucknell Statistics

Cross Country
Spiked Shoe Invitational
Men's *3rd, 120*
Notables: 11. Reinhardt
24. Mousetis
Women's *2nd, 82*
Notables: 9. Dennis
16. Cole
18. Halloran

Football
Bucknell 14
Duquesne 35
Passing: Wenrich 10-24-3-106, Fields 3-5-1-18
Rushing: Brinson 28-120, Darrington 8-15

Soccer
Men's
Bucknell 2
Canisius 0
Goals: DeLuca, Maruffi-Cowley
Assists: Hemmert, Beekman
Saves: Edwards 4

Women's
Bucknell 9
Delaware St. 0
Goals: Chipko 2, Utchel, Schwarz, Dincher, Purse, Prowler, Cooper, Shore
Assists: Lawson, Keber, Utchel, Prowler, Cooper, Shore

Field Hockey
Bucknell 5
Colgate 0
Goals: Boynton 2, O'Brien, Nilsen, Cataldo
Assists: Boynton, Reichenbach, Cataldo
Saves: Wettergreen 5

Volleyball
Bucknell 3
Howard 1
(30-22, 30-32, 30-27, 30-28)

Men's Water Polo
Bucknell 1
St. Francis 19
Bucknell 8
MIT <None> 26

Bucknell Calendar

Volleyball
vs. SUNY Albany
Friday, Sept. 13
6 p.m.

Men's Golf
Bucknell Invitational
Friday, Sept. 13 & Saturday, Sept. 14
All day

Volleyball
vs. Quinnipiac
Saturday, Sept. 14
12 p.m.

Men's Soccer
vs. Pittsburgh
Sunday, Sept. 15
4 p.m.

Volleyball
vs. LaSalle
Saturday, Sept. 14
4 p.m.

Field Hockey
vs. Columbia
Mods fields
Saturday, Sept. 14
12 p.m.

Sports Ops

Cecily Cairns Classic Corner

Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

"It felt like a bee sting."

Those were the words that Ed McCaffrey chose to describe his injury to NFL Films just over a year ago. It was the kind of nonchalance that fans have grown accustomed to from McCaffrey, the 215-pound antithesis to histrionics. "Easy Ed" was never one to publicly bemoan his misfortunes, let alone do it in a melodramatic fashion. That he likened the complete fracture of his leg to the sensation brought about by a half-inch insect's defense mechanism encapsulates his entire approach to pain in general.

However, this understatement came with a silent disclaimer of doubt, of irresolution—it had to. That doubt was born from an image that burned itself into memory under a glimmering sky on the 10th night in September of 2001.

ABC rolled it over and over: McCaffrey reeling in the pass like a chameleon snagging its hapless victim; Shaun Williams thundering in from the left and leveling the 6-foot-5-inch daredevil; the big receiver tumbling over, still tenaciously gripping the ball as though it were a bomb that would detonate if it touched ground; that left shin buckling grotesquely several inches below the knee, allowing the lower part of the leg to vacillate as his foot was whipped about by centrifugal force.

It seemed at the time that it would be the last completion on a resume loaded with miraculous catches. Everyone runs out of magic some time. But surgeons patched things up with an intermedullary rod and a few screws and told him a comeback wouldn't be entirely implausible. So McCaffrey said he'd be back. It wasn't perfect, but it was good enough to elicit hope.

Eddie Mac just never stopped plugging away, never stopped hoping, or dreaming, or believing that when his Denver Broncos streamed out of the tunnel on Sept. 8, 2002 and into the bombardment of flashbulbs at Invesco Field at Mile High Stadium, he'd be right there with them. He endured the 15 remaining games, watching from the sidelines while his heart ached with the agony of not being able to bound out to the huddle and come to the aid of his struggling team, of not being afforded the opportunity to sacrifice his temporary well-being for a much-needed first down.

As the Broncos faltered along, McCaffrey's tibia and fibula were slowly reknitting themselves around that titanium rod. He was walking on his own, albeit with a substantial limp, by October. Doctors told him he might be running by May if everything went smoothly; he started running in April. He was ready for training camp, just like he had said he would be, catching passes, running routes and looking a little like the Ed McCaffrey of old. He even caught a couple passes in exhibition play.

Still, a shroud of uncertainty hounded him through it all, through the waning weeks of preseason and right into the opening minutes of last Sunday's contest against the St. Louis Rams. What would happen when he lined up against first-string players, when the game mattered, when his opponents held nothing back? How would his reconstructed leg hold up to the first grinding hit from an unabatingly relentless defense?

Perhaps what mattered the most, ultimately, was that McCaffrey had the courage to search for definitive answers to those doubts. In his particular debacle, the greatest imaginable tragedy would have been the loss of that fortitude, his trademark irreverence for the eminent danger he repeatedly placed himself in.

There was something inherently comforting about the sight of his towering frame loping onto the field—same unrelenting, "all-business" demeanor, same unnerving lack of protective padding, same endearing raggedy haircut. What was infinitely more reaffirming was that he proceeded to recklessly hurl himself around the field—throwing blocks, taking hits, bouncing right back to his feet—just as stalwartly as ever.

He didn't exactly set the field afire, but his presence was invaluable to the Broncos' offense. He caught two passes for 50 yards, one of which was a 27-yard grab that he hauled into the end zone for the game-deciding touchdown. It was enough to reassure McCaffrey, who claimed that before the game his heart rate must have been 250—and if McCaffrey admits that his heart rate was at 250, you can bet it was probably somewhere around 300.

To say that he's back to 100 percent, or to forget that he was ever gone in the first place, would be somewhat overzealous and a little delusional. It was painfully evident, on brief occasions, that he hadn't quite regained his speed or agility to the fullest extent. Yet.

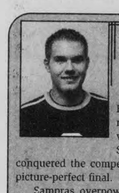
In truth, there's no guarantee that he'll ever get it back (although it's easy to believe he will), nor is there any certainty that his return to the NFL will last. In accordance with common sense, it's fair to say that every play he makes is a product of borrowed time, and he probably knows it—most guys in his situation would have bid the game adieu last September.

His career could last another game, or it could last another seven years. While he's banking on the latter, he's aware of the former as a possibility. It's evident that he's prepared to play every snap as though it will be the last one he lines up for. Then again, he's been doing that his whole career.

One thing is for certain: however long it lasts, McCaffrey's return has been, and will continue to be, a pleasure to witness. No one in the league is more dependable, more hard-knocking or easier to cheer for than Easy Ed. He's indefatigable—unflinching, really—and for that reason he is in some ways indestructible.

If his metaphoric bee is lurking behind every snap, every hit, every cut of every route, brandishing its wicked stinger like a bayonet on a loaded rifle, you'd never know it by looking at him.

Maybe it's because he possesses a courage that could out-gun any antihistamine on the market.



Scott Kloss
Senior Writer

What it takes

It was an all-American cast at the 2002 U.S Open Finals, an event held annually in New York, N.Y. The red, white and blue sported its perseverance in a city where overcoming obstacles is second nature. Pete Sampras, Andre Agassi and the Williams sisters each conquered the competition en route to a picture-perfect final.

Sampras overpowered Agassi to win the 2002 U.S. Men's Open. Sampras, behind a blistering 129-mph serve, kept Agassi on his heels throughout the match, making him look more like a "Shoot the Geek" game target on the Jersey boardwalk than a competitor. Sampras used his first serve genius to collect 33 aces in the match, cheating Agassi from many break point opportunities.

Both Sampras and Agassi are in their early 30s, old-timers in a sport where 21 is considered your prime, yet they left their walkers behind to rekindle a rivalry that goes back to the early 90s. In this, their 34th meeting, Sampras was to the one raising the trophy and earning his record-setting 14th career Grand Slam victory. In doing so, he became the oldest man to win the U.S. Open since Ken Rosewall in 1970.

Courtesy of Reuters

Sampras collected 33 aces to defeat long-time rival and friend Andre Agassi.

Sampras has been battling critics' views that his game has progressed on a downward trend now that other passions in his life—mainly his wife and impending child—were taking center court. Also, having the dubious honor of a 33-tournament winless streak, nay-sayers seemed justified in his 17th-seed ranking at the U.S. Open.

Still, Sampras claimed he had one more Grand Slam victory in his body and he delivered. That being said, is Sampras satisfied to leave the sport that made him a star just yet?

"To beat a rival like Andre, in a storybook ending, it might be nice to stop," he said. "But I still love to compete. I'll see in a couple of months where my heart is and my mind. My head is spinning," Sampras said.

Rising tennis sensation Tanya Sichko '05, from the University's women's tennis team, commented on the match.

"Pete controlled the game with his first serve-second serves combination. Andre did not have a chance to return many winners and therefore found himself forced to the baseline swinging for survival."

A day after a draining four-set victory over the defending champion at the U.S. Open, Lleyton Hewitt, Agassi was not his usual spunky self, conceding, rather than dazzling, on strenuous points.

"I just was flat," Agassi said. "I tried to get myself into the match and had to work pretty hard just to give myself a chance. Just was never quite enough."

There is no rest for the weary—or is there? As much as fans would love to see their favorite athletes competing 24/7, 365 a la ESPN, the sugar pills eventually wear off and sleep becomes a requirement. As such, neither Sampras nor Agassi will be representing the U.S. Davis Cup team against France in Roland Garros. Patrick McEnroe, captain of the team, selected Andy Roddick, James Blake, Todd Martin and Mardy Fish instead.

On the ladies side, it was Serena Williams topping her older sister, Venus, for the U.S. Open Championship. Serena, a winner of the past three Grand Slam events, had to hold back impressive spurts by Venus to capture the title. Together, they have won eight of the past 13 major titles. Plus, the Williams sisters have met in four of the past five Grand Slam titles.

With this trend in mind, it is rumored tennis vendors are getting a head start on printing the finals' programs for the next major contest—the are already being made with the Williams sisters' pictures on them!

So does all this intra-family competition detract from their relationship? Serena offers her outlook on the unusual situation.

"Venus dominated me for a long time, but we always stayed close," Serena said. "Family comes first for us."

It must have felt like all their brothers, sisters, cousins and uncles from past generations were watching them with a record crowd of 23,164, which included celebrities such as Hank Aaron, Spike Lee, Joe Torre and Susan Lucci cheering the sisters on.

Between the lines, Serena showed little love for Venus, taking full advantage of her 10 double faults and 23 other unforced errors.

"I did the best I could today. I did make a lot of errors and that makes it tough to win the match," Venus said. "I think Serena was the best player in the tournament this year."

Advantage Pete and Serena ....

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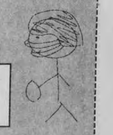
Aaron DeRosa
Sports Editor

The white fly and its Chardonnay antics



If it weren't for the incessant advertising, the endless faux-psychoanalytical commentary and the cheerleaders in skimpy outfits, one might not have realized that professional football began its season this past weekend.

There was much ballyhoo and trumpeting for this first season under the newly realigned divisions and the inaugural season for the Houston Texans, but then again, in this commercialized age, there isn't much that doesn't get blown up to Leno-chin sized proportions (I swear tha; thing grows visibly over the course of a show).

Much could be said of the games themselves; three games extending into overtime, the fall of the St. Louis Rams, David Carr's first day, Titans, Packers and Bears, oh my. But when it really comes down to it, what do we really care about? Yes, the commentators.

Now, we all know about how, after years of working side-by-side, Pat Summerall and John Madden made their Super Bowl split. Much to popular misconception, Summerall did not retire, but rather refused to work with Madden. Now Summerall and Madden work for Fox and ABC respectively. This realignment is quite appropriate since Pat Summerall looks like a pouty-aged woodland creature recently pummeled with an ugly-stick, and Madden, or Jabba the Hutt as he's known to his friends, needs to work on the ABCs of shutting the hell up. I just want to remind everyone that Madden is the one who stated during the Super Bowl last year, "He just got right up behind the tight end and penetrated."

Also, did anyone notice the shameless EA Sports Madden football video game advertising during the Pats-Steelers game? They actually tried to reproduce a play from the game and replay it like it were an actual instant replay. Walter Benjamin must be rolling in the aisles of the dead right about now. To borrow a line from Dennis Miller, "I haven't seen choreography that stiff since the Lee Harvey Oswald prison transfer."

Speaking of Dennis Miller, as much as he flopped on Monday Night Football, he brought a unique and colorful approach to the game. Bantering his pretentious jabberwocky to even the most die-hard of football fanatics, he entertained millions with his highbrow and elitist literary rhetoric. Why a man seemingly so intelligent would attempt to add class to a sport that gives MVP recognition to murderers, pompons and tube tops to working mothers and spawned a media/sex-driven deceased orphan-league known as the XFL, is beyond my own cognitive recognition. Or in other words, "Demmis Milliner not so smrt, concusions and misspeelings funny."

Phil Simms is the latest in this barrage of inane verbal diarrhea we have dubbed "color commentating." Simms' nugget of wisdom this week in the Jets-Bills game was "getting a penalty is ... not ... good." That rivals a comment made during the Houston-Dallas game where the commentator stated that the Houston "special teams" unit really was special. Thank you, you can both pick up book two of "Hooked on Phonics" at the door.

And it's been on for a few years now, but what's up with the robots playing football on Fox's cut-scenes? Anyone having the Bicentennial Man over for a barbeque and a quick game of two-hand touch? This rivals baseball's superhero/comic book graphics of each player. I've got an idea, why don't we glorify these athletes a little more? The last thing we need is a picture of Jeter-tron banishing evil from distant nebulae. This man can't keep the ball in the infield and we're expected to believe he's been endowed with superhuman abilities?

It's not so much that people want to be like Mike, smell like Mike and dress like Mike, but now we have to build golden idols to Mike and pray to the God of Epsom salt and formaldehyde for resurrecting him like Superman from the ashes. Meanwhile, we're the first ones on line to witness this glorious comeback like it's the second coming (when it's actually the third). Jordan, you've already marketed your eau de toilette, so why don't you stop stinking up our arenas and have some bran. You are no hero, just a man with a magic jumpshot and a smile of gold.

But I digress.

Commentating is an extremely difficult field to master. I feel bad for baseball commentators because they basically need to sit around for three or four hours reciting numbers and doing the AFLAC trivia questions like trained monkeys. Like the plot of a Jon du Bont film, the action in baseball is so diluted, patent lawyers at Pfizer laugh with giddiness.

It's a wonder that these commentators are less prone to homicide than federal postal workers. Imagine being locked up in a 15-by-10-foot booth with one other person for 81 days a year—he's supposed to be the "funny one," yet the only one laughing is the janitor Spoogee who is also in charge of replenishing your free ballpark hot dogs (or as your bosses put it, your "Christmas bonus"). By the third inning your sidekick is getting edgy, not to mention he's two caffeinated drinks past being legally allowed to operate heavy machinery, but still licensed to drive a Manhattan taxi, he's been spouting nonsensical statistics like the name of the guy who caught six fly balls in a row in a night game back in 19 aught two, and every word you say is relayed to 50,000 viewers who aren't listening to a word you say because they've all turned the volume down on the television to blast the new Bruce album over the play-by-play. Now tell me you're gonna look around your own 150 square feet of Dante's seventh concentric circle and say, "You know, I think I'm mentally in a good place right now."

And if you can recite those lines without cracking a grin, then give me your social security number and I'll have you terminated. And by terminated I mean killed.

Justin McCarthy
Senior Writer

NFL Predictions

Oakland (1-0) at Pittsburgh (0-1)

The Steelers were thoroughly outplayed last week, committing five turnovers and numerous penalties destroyed would-be scoring drives. It seems Bettis may not be 100 percent, which places a greater burden on Stewart to perform. The Raiders defense dominated last week, holding its opponents to 200 yards of total offense. Garner led the Raiders' offense, but will have a lot more difficulty against a Steelers' defense that ranked first against the run in 2001. Although most people would pick Oakland based on week one performances, I have to stay true to the Black and Gold and believe that they will correct their mistakes.

Cincinnati (0-1) at Cleveland (0-1)

The Bengals enter the "Dog Pound" after a week one annihilation. Corey Dillon rushed for a mere 10 yards and Gus Frerotte ... well .... The Bengals must have a successful rushing attack if they are to win games. The Browns are coming off a heartbreaking defeat, losing on a field goal and a penalty with literally no time left. Couch is questionable, but the way Holcomb played last week, Brown's fans shouldn't be too hasty. Cleveland will win this division rivalry easily.

Miami (1-0) at Indianapolis (1-0)

The Colts are essentially the same offense-minded team they were last season with a defense-minded coach in Tony Dungy. It has yet to be seen whether the Colts defense will improve from being the worst last season, yet it is still one of the weaker in the league. Miami was able to upgrade dramatically at the running back position with the acquisition of Ricky Williams, and he was everything Fielder and the Dolphin's offense had hoped. Ultimately, Miami's defense will be the difference and will give them the victory.

New England (1-0) at New York Jets (1-0)

These two teams play in the hardest division in the NFL. Therefore, every division game counts. The Patriots are coming off a masterful game last week and are looking to establish an early lead in the division. The Jets are coming off an emotional victory. With Martin questionable, Testaverde will be tested against a Patriots' defense that had three interceptions last week. Pats win, although not in as convincing fashion as last week.

Philadelphia (0-1) at Washington (0-1)

Many picked the Eagles to win the NFC before the season started. However after their sloppy offensive performance, that may not be the case. Washington, on the other hand, has built a formidable offense around first year coach Steve Spurrier's fun 'n gun style. Ultimately, whichever defense plays the pass better will win. I'm picking the Redskins.

TRIVIA

By Justin McCarthy

1. Who was the last NFL expansion team to win its opener before the Houston Texans did it last Sunday?
2. Which NFL quarterback has the most consecutive seasons with 3,000 passing yards?
3. Which MLB team holds the record for the most con-

1. The 1961 Vikings 2. Brett Favre, 10 seasons, 1992-2001 3. Atlanta Braves, 11 times from 1992-2002

Sports

X-Country off to a good start

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runners who have a lot to offer here at Bucknell. I believe that this race shows the league that their confidence in our team still stands.

"This season will be both exciting and challenging," Dennis said. "We are definitely on the right path to win Leagues, and place high at Regionals. There is so much to say about this team."

The women's team accumulated a score of 82, behind Penn State's dominating score of 22. Newcomer Alison Cole '06 placed 16th, with an impressive time of 22:56.72. The Bison sent a total of 24 runners to the line in this meet.

"I was very pleased with the team's performance this past weekend and wanted to comment on the atmosphere of the race," Cole said. "During the race, my teammates helped each other to work together. Their efforts were always positive, trying to make us run harder and go faster with the goal of placing closer to the top runners. I felt their support during the race, and would not have been able to perform as I did without them."

Other top contenders from the first-year class were Kayla Halloran '06,who finished 18th with a time of 23:02.69, and Rachel Tutmaher '06, who finished 19th with a time of 23:04.99.

On the men's side, Bucknell's top finisher was Wesley Reinhardt '04, who ran the 8k course in 26:49.43, placing 11th overall. Following closely and also cracking the top 25 was Nicholas Mousetis '04. Douglas Creveling '05 finished 27th with a time of 27:30.19, while Marcus Jones '04, and Eric Furst '03 finished 30th and 33rd, respectively. There were a total of 24 Bison participants in this meet. The Orange and Blue finished third, with a team score of 120, just behind Oklahoma State and Penn State.

Both teams have high expectations for what they can accomplish this year. Experienced and new runners alike are excited about the team.

"I think that the influx of freshmen is going to have a great effect on the cross country team," Faizal Asumda '06 said.

Both teams are back in action against their Patriot League foe Army as they travel to West Point, N.Y., on Sept. 14. This may be especially momentous for the men's team, which has finished second behind Army in the league for the past two years.

Cecily Cairns—The Bucknellian

Jesse Graytock '03 (left) and Matias Palavecino '03 battle for the Bison.

Cecily Cairns—The Bucknellian

Marcus Jones '04 was the fourth Bison finisher, placing 30th in the race.

Cecily Cairns—The Bucknellian

Alison Cole '06 was impressive in her debut for the Bison, finishing 16th.

Men's soccer prevails

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the season for a 1-0 Bison lead.

The Bison's offense dominated the play with 22 shots on goal. With just seven minutes left in the game, Dennis Deluca '05 capitalized on one of those shots, to increase the lead to 2-0.

"In all three games, I thought our conditioning and bench were key factors. Over the course of 90 minutes with our high-pressure defense and confidence in our bench, we can break teams down. I think we will have a lot of late game heroics this year. Other teams have been defeated with ten minutes to play as we keep going at them," Nash said.

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The Bison improved to 4-0 for the first time since 1990, as Adam Edwards recorded his third straight shutout. Edwards has been a key player in the Bison's defense this season, and has greatly contributed to all four of the Bison's wins so far. He was named the Bull's Fall Invitational Defensive MVP and has recently been awarded Patriot League Rookie of the Week honors for the week ending Sept. 9, 2002. Edwards has a 0.48 goals against average and a .913 save percentage.

"Adam has been coming up big. He's not playing like a freshman. He stopped four or five breakaways in the Buffalo game and has been a vocal leader for us in the back," tri-captain Tom Ryan '03 said.

"Being a freshman playing in a Division I men's soccer program is different from playing at any level at which I have previously played," Edwards said. "The play is much faster and more physical than the high school level. The demands of the coaches and my teammates are much higher. So far, everyone on the team has been very supportive. The confidence level is very high after our past four games and I am sure it will carry into practice this week before our game against Holy Cross."

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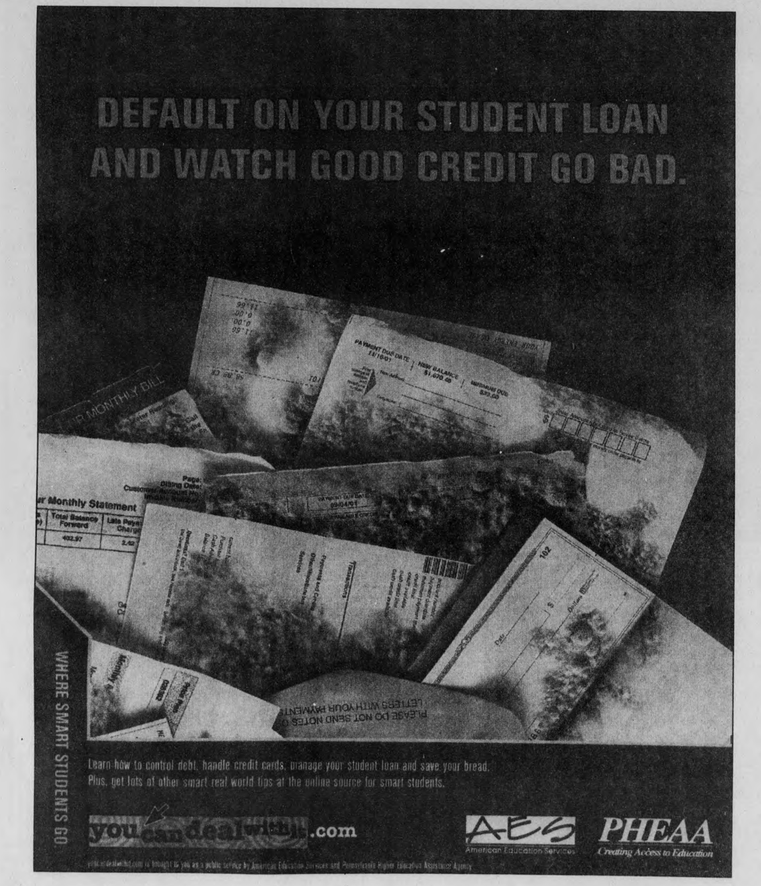
— Brendan Nash,
Head Coach

The Bison open league play against Holy Cross on Saturday, Sept. 14 at 3 p.m. on the Mods Fields.

"We will prepare [for Holy Cross] just like any other game. We do not need any extra motivation going into the Patriot League games. Everyone knows how big each one is, so the team is self-motivated at this point. All we need to do is fine tune the scouting report and pay attention to the little details. It will be a battle up there, but I know our guys will be ready," Nash said.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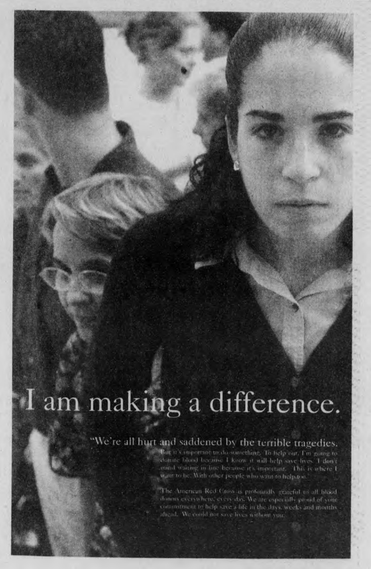
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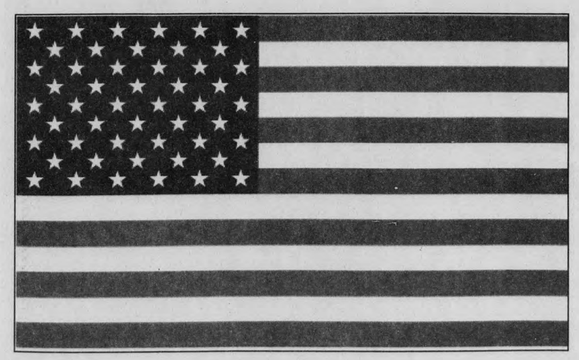

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FEATURES

Pushing herself to the limit

Student Jenny Schlack '03 came to the University a Cadet, but will be leaving as the top Cadet in her regiment and with further dreams in mind

By Leah Cunningham
Writer

The University campus may be diverse, but it is difficult to find a student who can successfully dive off 250 foot towers, jump out of airplanes, shoot M16 rifles and double major in English and secondary education while maintaining a 3.86 grade point average. Difficult, but not impossible, because Jenny Sue Schlack '03 does all that and more.

"It was a little scary to be only 17 years old and signing a four-year scholarship contract for ROTC at Bucknell. I agreed to four years of active duty after college which is a hard decision," Schlack said. "But now that I'm a senior, four years seems like nothing. My experience has been the best ever."

Born and raised just outside Pittsburgh in Beaver, Pa., Schlack made the most important decision of her life when she decided to come to the University and spend her next four years in the ROTC program. The ROTC Cadet Battalion, referred to as "The Bison Battalion," consists of 70 cadets from not only the University but also from Susquehanna, Lycoming, Penn College and Bloomsburg.

From the moment Schlack stepped onto campus and joined the ROTC program, her instructors knew she had the commitment, strength and social skills that very few people ever acquire.

"ROTC is designed to be the best available leadership course, to develop the army's leaders and prepare cadets to go into the army," Assistant Professor of Military Science Captain Brian Elliott said. "Jenny is a natural leader and that's what ROTC is all about."

Numerous awards have followed Schlack throughout her ROTC involvement. In her military science first and second years of ROTC, she has been recognized as a Superior Cadet, the highest ranking cadet in her class. She has also been recently handpicked as the Cadet Battalion Commander for first semester of senior year.

Professor of Military Science Major Nathan Smyth explained the selection process for this elite position.

"I ultimately make the final decision on who will lead the Battalion during their senior year. Despite all that Jenny has accomplished, the decision was not easy. We have several senior cadets that have performed very well during their tenure in the program," Smyth said. "I knew that Jenny was a very focused cadet, who has established an outstanding rapport with the underclassmen and has worked extremely hard over the previous three years of school. She has proven she can handle increased responsibilities, and always strives for excellence … Jenny has my utmost confidence."

As Battalion Commander, Schlack is responsible for the training, administration, morale, discipline and esprit de corps for the entire Cadet Battalion.

"As the highest-ranking cadet, she will serve as my principle advisor on matters regarding the cadet battalion. Jenny will set the example for the cadet battalion in appearance, attitude, conduct, military bearing, discipline, physical fitness and soldier skills," Smyth said.

"My biggest challenge is going to be continuing to work with my peers and taking authoritative roles. This is an interesting dynamic, but it teaches new skills," Schlack said.

Even more notably, Schlack received the National Defense Transportation Award, which is given to only 20 ROTC cadets nationwide.

"I was at my junior year awards banquet, and all I can remember is hearing the award and '20 out of all the cadets in the country.' My parents were so proud!" Schlack said.

This award is essentially an invite into the Transportation Corps division of the army, if Schlack so chooses to join this corps. More importantly, the award designates her in the top percentile of cadets in the country.

In addition to her National Defense Award, Schlack was recently recognized as the top cadet out of 300 in her regiment during the National Advanced Leadership Camp at Fort Lewis, Wash. This mandatory 32-day camp challenged over 4,000 cadets mentally and physically.

"This camp is huge because how well I did at Fort Lewis in addition to my performance at Bucknell dictates my branch in the army," Schlack said. "We were always being watched at camp, everything from how we talked to people to how we motivated them and maintained leadership skills."

Schlack noted that the camp was more mentally challenging than anything and that the University had trained her so well that she felt as or even more prepared than anyone else.

Schlack's preparedness led her to success when she received the honorable distinction as Regimental Honor Graduate based on her outstanding performance.

"In order to be considered, a cadet must be ranked in the top five percent of their regiment at the conclusion of the course. Those in the top five percent excelled in evaluated leadership positions, basic rifle marksmanship, land navigation, physical training and military tactics, to name a few. Those that are ranked in the top five percent must then endure a grueling interview, testing the cadet on their military skills," Smyth said.

You may wonder just how Schlack would have time for any campus activities, but she explains that time management is one of her best attributes. She is a member of the cheerleading squad, and former player and president of the rugby team, a past Resident Assistant and a member of Alpha Chi Omega sorority. She is even planning a spring break for Mardi Gras in New Orleans with three friends she met at Airborne School in Fort Benning, Ga.

"Airborne School was the best experience ever … I would grab my canteen, put on my helmet and run a mile to the air field," Schlack said. "It was like the scene from that movie, 'Private Benjamin,' where Goldie Hawn hooks the parachute to the plane, waits for the green light and then everyone shuffles towards the door and people are just jumping out. It's amazing; I could hear my heart beat as I peacefully floated to the ground."

It is difficult to find someone who does not have something positive to say about this avid cadet, focused student and dedicated friend. Schlack is described as "the model cadet" by Elliott.

"[She is] extremely intelligent, physically fit and can be counted on to perform extremely well with no supervision" Smyth said.

Schlack is even praised by her professors.

"Her mental sharpness and abilities are quickly apparent," said Professor of Biology Richard Ellis, Schlack's first-year professor, with whom she is still in contact. "One of the many perks of being a professor is meeting people of the caliber of Jenny Schlack."

After graduation, Schlack plans to spend this spring through early fall as a Gold Bar Recruiter for ROTC. Her next challenge, in fall of 2003, will be fulfilling her duty as a second lieutenant in her military branch. Schlack's primary choice is the military intelligence branch or medical service corps.

"This semester is going to push me. I'm going to know my limits and capabilities," Schlack said. "I'm definitely ready to go into the army, but I don't know if I'm ready to be called 'Lieutenant Schlack' or 'Ma'am' yet."

Being pushed to her limits is Schlack's strong suit, and she knows the University has prepared her well for the military commitment she will soon encounter. It is only a matter of time before this cadet battalion commander will use her skills in the army and perhaps even get used to being-called "Ma'am."

Student Profile: Jenny Schlack

Courtesy of Jenny Schlack

Top: Schlack and battle buddy Erin Riley from Tulane University pose at the land navigation site.
Bottom: Captain Haldeman and Schlack at the 2001 Military Ball.

OIPS provides inexpensive, good food

By Alyson Walker
Features Editor

Really hungry for good food but can't afford a fine dining experience? Original Italian Pizza (OIPs) is the place to go.

I ventured to Plaza 15 on a Saturday night and behind the façade of the shopping center, I, like other University students, found OIPs to be an exceptional treat.

My dining partners and I were unimpressed by the ambience, which is, at best, tacky in a typical pizzeria style. Bright flags add to the general cheeriness with glitter on the walls and fake flowers decorating the tables.

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Inside local landmark, Original Italian Pizza, also known as OIPs, located on U.S. Route 15.

Placemats tell of Italian history, and there is a television for those who wish to watch while waiting for their food.

Smoking and non-smoking sections are divided, but on a crowded night it can be difficult to find a table in the section of choice at this seat-yourself restaurant.

Also, with the size of OIPs, it hardly makes a difference where you sit—if one person has a cigarette, everyone gets to inhale.

If you are seeking a quiet, peaceful décor with great atmosphere, OIPs is not what you want. It is welcoming to loud groups, but finding seating for groups larger than seven can be difficult on the weekend.

It is typically packed with University students, especially on the weekend, searching for a cheap alternative to caf food. Dinner for a group could also be inexpensive, if you're just splitting a pizza and a pitcher of soda.

"OIPs is convenient and cheap," Audra Bielke '04 said.

OIPs offers a variety of meal options, from hot subs to seafood dishes, pizza to pasta. Certain dinners, such as the cheese tortellini, come with salad and bread as appetizers.

Service is rather quick considering how crowded OIPs becomes. On this jam-packed Saturday night, we waited only 20 minutes before our food

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

OIPs is often crowded, keeping its workers on the ball.

arrived. The wait is helped by our salads and fresh baked bread.

The salad, consisting of lettuce and four slices of tomato, was adequate at best, but the bread was delicious, tasting more like a dessert than an appetizer.

"I love the bread!" Bielke said.

We enjoyed our meal profusely. No need to fear leaving hungry—portions are sized for a hearty eater.

I was only able to eat half of the small calzone, while a slice of pizza was enough to satisfy others. The pasta dishes provided two meals, thanks to doggie bags.

"The thing that makes OIPs such a local landmark is that you get so much food for so little money. There is always enough for the next day," Lacy Gonzalez '04 said.

The vegetable pizza is loaded with fresh veggies, including hot peppers, so if spicy doesn't do it for you, be sure to ask your server to hold them.

The broccoli and cheese calzone is served with marinara sauce on the side and is an appetizing choice.

Vegetarians watch out—often entrees might include ham or other meats not specified on the menu, so make sure your server informs you.

We almost ended up with broccoli, cheese and ham calzone and an order of cheese tortellini with ham on top!

Another caveat—for those who are used to traditional Italian cooking, a pizzeria might not satisfy a craving for home cooked food.

"OIPs is good, but if you're used to authentic Italian food, it leaves a bit to be desired," Grace Annis '03 said.

We might not have been impressed by the exterior, but we found our meals and the amount of the bill quite agreeable.

OIPs might not be the classiest dining establishment the Lewisburg area has to provide, but it is one of the tastiest!

Definitely give it a try for an affordable and enjoyable meal in a college student- friendly environment.

Original Italian Pizza is located in Plaza 15 on Route 15.

Fair teaches students about community service opportunities in Lewisburg

By Caitlin McKee
Writer

Assistant Dean of Students Amy Badal said the goal of the University's Community Service Fair was to expose students to the variety of service opportunities the Lewisburg community has to offer. The fair was held in the Terrace Room of the Langone Center this past Sunday.

"The overall goal of the event is to expose students to the opportunities in Lewisburg," Badal said.

Badal also emphasized how important she feels community service is for college students.

"It is extremely important for students to give back to the community," Badal said.

About 12 community organizations sent representatives to the fair. The representatives had good things to say about past student volunteers.

"The students did everything and anything we wished them to do. They did everything from service to fundraising," said Jeannette Lasansky, president of the Union County Historical Society and coordinator of Linn Land Waterways.

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> *—Christine Hebling '05*

Professor of Management John Miller, who teaches Management 101 (MG101), said he hoped the fair would show students the demand Lewisburg has for student service.

"The word needs to get out to campus that there is an incredible amount of need in the community for service and a wide variety of choices for service activity," Miller said. "Organizations really, really need money, and there is no other way to get it but through service."

Associate Professor of Management Tammy Hiller, who also teaches MG101, said the fair provides an option for everyone.

"There are options for both individuals and groups. There are even fundraising opportunities for the philanthropic needs of fraternities and sororities. I hope students find their match," Hiller said.

Many students did explore the fair and were pleased with the variety of choices.

"The fair provides easy access to a lot of community service options. One trip exposes you to so many organizations and all the representatives want to talk to you," Adam Hjuja '05 said.

Students at the fair also said how important they feel community service is.

"Service in the community allows students to work together and give back, make a tie between the school we go to and the community we live in. Community service is definitely a positive thing," Christine Hebling '05 said.

FEATURES

Abroad perspective: a semester in France

By Sarah Mournighan
Contributing Writer

When I was a sophomore, I decided that I wanted to go abroad. My sister had set the example by spending a year at St. Andrews in Scotland, and I wanted to share some of her experiences.

At first I wanted to go to either Ireland or Denmark, partly because classes were in English. After talking with my parents and Associate Professor Angele Kingue, I decided to spend a semester with the Bucknell en France program in Tours, a small city in the heart of the famed Loire River Valley.

Courtesy of Sarah Mournighan

Sarah's host family included her host father and mother, Jean-Louis and Pastora Loriau; two Mexican students, Armando and Fernando; a Japenese student, Nana and Bill, a 60-year-old Canadian.

On Sept. 2, 19 Bucknellians flew from Newark to Paris a day late after our original flight was canceled. Once we got to Paris, Professor of Spanish Susan Fischer, our professor-in-residence for the semester, met us and sent us on the bus to Tours, where our host families were waiting.

When I got off the bus, Pastora Loriau, my host mother, welcomed me with open arms and took me to a beautiful house on Rue Michel Colombe, my home for the next three and a half months.

The household consisted of Pastora and her husband Jean-Louis, who always made amazing meals for dinner and put his often humorous two cents in any conversation; Armando and Fernando, two young Mexican students who brought a witty sense of humor to the dinner table; Nana, a shy Japanese student just learning French; and Bill, an incredibly nice 60-year-old Canadian, who sometimes had a little trouble understanding the younger generation.

In the end, it was my house that made my stay in France memorable. When my parents came to visit me, it was fun watching my host parents interact with my real parents, along with the other members of my household. Fortunately, the ban on speaking English at the dinner table was lifted, as everyone but Nana spoke English. My parents were insistent on trying out their French. After that evening, it was almost like I had two families, with two very different sets of parents.

Classes were necessary, as this was a University program, and they started almost immediately after our arrival. All of us spent the first month at the Instituit de Tourraine, a school geared towards foreign students interested in an intensive language study. I was in classes with students from around the world, everywhere from Sweden to Thailand.

I learned a lot there and brushed up on French, which I had not spoken all summer. When that month was finished, I was happy that I was switching to the Universite Francois Rabelais.

At the University Francois, I took classes such as economics and political science, all of which were in French. My professors didn't go easy on us with the language, but were very understanding when we didn't know a word or a phrase. Even then, they tried their best not to speak English.

My political science class was the most intriguing. The subject was France in the fourth and fifth republics. It was interesting to learn about their foreign policy, how they viewed Americans and getting a different perspective on situations such as Vietnam. Professor Rolde brought a sense of humor to the class, never hesitating to say that something was wrong or stupid. He said this about anyone, including the French.

The best part about being in France, however, was France itself. Most of us found that we had much more time on our hands than we would have had at the University, so we found different activities to keep us busy.

I spent many lazy afternoons reading a book on the benches along the river, just letting time go by between classes. There were also many beautiful gardens throughout Tours, and I was blessed with one near my house. I used to sit there and do my homework before I went home for dinner, and always felt the temptation to feed the swans that were in the pond behind me.

Fortunately for us, there was so much to see close to home. Tours is in the center of the Loire River Valley, an area which was once the playground for the French court. To accommodate these people, beautiful chateaux were built. These magnificent structures have vastly diverse and sometimes horrific histories behind them.

Bucknell en France excursions led us to places like Villandry, with its magnificent gardens, and Chernenceau, which has beautiful gardens that actually span the Cher river. It was once a hospital and a crossing into free France during World War II.

My favorite was Amboise, which I visited with some friends on one of our first weekends. Standing from the ramparts, I looked over the town and the river and saw a magnificent view of the countryside. To my surprise, I dicovered that Leonardo Da Vinci lies in the chapel that I saw.

Down the road from this chateau was le Clos Luce, where Da Vinci spent the last years of his life. It was in Amboise that I realized the language barrier went both ways, as I saw some interesting translations of French to English, including "keep of the grass."

Time in France would not have been complete without an adventure into Paris. After meeting the other Bucknellians on the bus in Tours at 5 a.m., which was a little adventure in itself, we arrived in Paris to see all we could. We found out that all of the museums were closed because the workers were on strike.

Like many people, my friends and I saw one of Paris' most popular and famous attractions—the grave of Jim Morrison. I can't say that I'm a big fan, but I now have a picture of his grave and all the candles and flowers that surround it.

I liked Paris because it brought history alive, nothing more so than walking though la Place de la Concord. I spotted a plaque on the ground and read that the area used to be known as the Place de la Revolution. All of the public executions that took place during the Reign of Terror happened there. It was eerie, knowing that thousands of people died where I walked, a place that looked like normal city square.

Courtesy of Sarah Mournighan

The River Loire Valley, in Tours, was once the playground for the French court. Later chateaux were built for accomodation.

The most impressive activity for me was a stroll through Giverny, Claude Monet's home and gardens. I could actually picture some of his paintings as I strolled through the gardens with Japanese style bridges and water lilies in the pond.

It was during this time in France that the events of Sept. 11 unfolded. I will always remember how the French people poured their hearts out to us. While walking past a brasserie that fateful evening, a waiter told us to come inside, where he turned off the music so we could watch the news.

The next day we were pulled out of class at the Institut. We were told that CNN would always be on in the library and that more English-language newspapers would be available to us. What many people do not realize is that, while Americans were standing together that week, I witnessed the amazing love and support of the French people.

Courtesy of Sarah Mournighan

Sarah posing in front of the Giverny, Clude Monet's home and gardens, with fellow University students.

For three minutes that Friday, France stood still in silent support to remember the tragedy, while the bells of every church rang throughout France. There was even a special service at San Gatien and a memorial service at the prefecture. I was unable to go home after the tragedy, but the French people and their support made me realize that this was the next best thing.

With the events of Sept. 11, the group trip to Normandy was even more meaningful. Even though it was cold and windy outside, we walked along the D-Day beaches in remembrance of what was sacrificed. It all started with a walk along the ramparts of San Malo, a city in Brittany that was destroyed during Allied bombings, but restored after the war.

We also visited Arromanche, where the remnants of the artificial Allied Port Winston had washed up on the moss-covered beach. The most poignant trip was yet to come. We saw the American Cemetery that overlooks Omaha beach, the bloodiest beach of the D-Day landings. I almost found myself crying when I walked along a wall of the missing bodies. The inscription says that those are the men who lie in watery graves and were not found.

Rows and rows of white crosses and stars line the field; a reflecting pool and the American flag flying overhead. The most poignant reminder came when looking at the gravestones and reading the names of the soldiers. Some just stated that that the soldier buried there was unknown but to God.

The feeling of young men dying for freedom resonated with other monuments and films about the war, but walking through the cemetery made this story more real than just a history lesson learned in high school.

That is not to say that every trip was confined to France. With every Friday off, and two breaks, many of us made time to see the rest of Europe, as many cities, towns and monuments were at our disposal because of the train system. I toured Italy and spent a day in Salzburg, Austria during my vacation. The view from the train between Venice and Salzburg was breathtaking, as the journey took us directly through the Alps.

My favorite trip was to London, where I watched my friend chase the swans through Kensington Park and pushed my friends up to the Lions in Trafalgar Square. I came to France for such events—to explore the French language and civilization.

For me, it was the events outside the classroom that made my trip to France one of the most memorable experiences of my life. People and places often make more of an impression than textbooks because I find them harder to forget.

I might not remember all of President Mitterand's foreign policy, but I will never forget getting hit by a hockey puck after the Diables Noires, the Tours ice hockey team, scored the winning goal, watching a rock and roll puppet show on the Paris metro or having a bird poop on me in Rome. These memories are the ones that last a lifetime.

For me, France was an experience I will always treasure. I will never regret taking a chance and going abroad to an unfamiliar place, speaking a foreign language and trying new things. I was sad when I had to go back to Paris to get on the plane bound for Newark. Looking back, I would not change anything.

Professor Solomon nominated for 1956 Lectureship Award

By Ashley Malikan
Writer

The University takes extreme pride in not only its remarkable student body, but also the character, fervor and accomplishments of many teachers and faculty members such as Associate Professor of Physics Thomas Solomon.

At graduation each year, four of these wonderful men and women are publicly recognized and honored for their exemplary performance in their respective careers.

Solomon is the recipient of the 1956 Lectureship Award for inspirational teaching. Solomon is a man very worthy of such an award, a fact to which any one of his colleagues or students could attest.

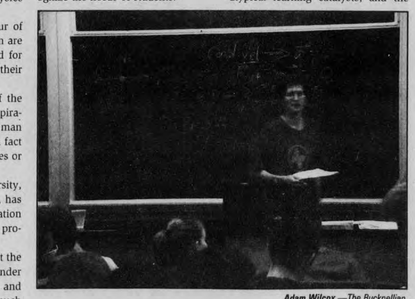
His tenure here at the University, now spanning close to a decade, has been marked by a brilliant reputation and much accomplishment as a professor and researcher.

For those who do not frequent the physics department, you may wonder who this famous professor is and what makes him deserving of such profound recognition.

His personality can best be understood by asking those who work closest with him, such as his colleague of nearly 10 years, Associate Professor of Physics Jeff Bowen.

Bowen and Solomon have worked side by side in co-teaching positions, and both are familiar faces for students of Physics 211 and 212. Bowen speaks very highly of Solomon and was in full support of his recommendation for the 1956 Lectureship Award.

"I wrote his nomination [for the award]," he said. "He is enthusiastic, very approachable, and is able to recognize the needs of students."



Adam Wilcox —The Bucknellian

Solomon accepted his nomination and will present a lecture on "Order, Randomness and Chaos—A History of Prediction" on Oct. 7.

Karen Marosi, the associate dean of the physics department, described him as a "very collegial person."

This is the popular opinion among his students as well.

"I've already gone to him for some help, and he's more than willing to lend a hand," Lauren Amatrudo '06 said.

Students especially respond to his vitality and strange affinity for physics gadgets.

Solomon labored intensively two years ago to get a stipend for these atypical learning catalysts, and the fruits of his labor could be seen over the past few weeks in the arms of many physics students. They were given blowguns, yoyos, water rockets and more to help increase their understanding of physics and make the learning process that much more interesting.

"He's a fun guy," Matt Gorney '06 said. "And the physics toys are great, though I don't always use them as I'm supposed to."

"That's the main thing; trying to make it real," Solomon said of his beloved toys. And though he admits that they presented a few problems the first year in operation, they've now become an acclaimed portion of his class.

In addition to teaching, Solomon is also a very active researcher. The University provides a home where he is able to do both, and he finds the environment to be "the best of both worlds."

Solomon was rather surprised to learn that he had been nominated for this award.

"I had no idea that anything was going on," he said.

Despite his surprise, he is more than willing to accept this award and is looking forward to presenting his lecture. All recipients of the 1956 Lectureship Award are required to give a lecture on a topic of their choice as part of their acceptance.

Solomon has chosen, "Order, Randomness and Chaos—A History of Prediction." All are encouraged to attend and support one of the University's best and brightest.

The lecture is scheduled to take place on Monday, Oct. 7 in the LC Forum at 8 p.m.

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Arts & Entertainment

Author gives talk and reads work

By David Allen
Writer

Last Sunday evening at the Stadler Center for Poetry, author Edith Pearlman spoke and delivered three of her award-winning short stories in the first of a series of readings sponsored by the West Branch literary magazine. Pearlman's story "Trifle" appears in the most recent edition of West Branch. Her appearance at the University was first solicited by Stadler Intern Ron Mohring and organized by Andrew Ciotola, the magazine's managing editor.

Assistant Professor of English Michael Carlin gave a short introduction in which he described Pearlman as a "gentle and generous" writer, skilled in crafting "vivid, engaging" characters and settings. Pearlman then took the podium and briefly prefaced her stories with an examination of the two questions she is asked most frequently: "Why do you write?" and "Why do you write?"

She stated that "we write because we read," out of "a love for words and stories." In answer to the second question, she stated her three chief motivations: "To reorganize the mess of life into a seemly design ... to reveal some new truth ... through characters and events ... and to make public something, until now, only privately remembered."

Her first story, "The Jigsaw Table," unfolds slowly in a sleepy third-person narrative. It centers around the late summer exploits of an unnamed family of five in a small Massachusetts town. The seemingly mundane details that shape and color the descriptions of the family and its house are revealed not through dialogue, but by the omniscient narrator. Once the family's large table in their cluttered living room is introduced, a simple but important sentiment arches over the rest of the story: the everyday bonding rites which keeps the family united, such as eating together, hanging laundry on the clothesline and, most importantly, completing jigsaw puzzles. The story has a measured, careful pacing, and though it is loaded with details, it maintained a light tone. The thoughtful and perceptive style of narrative served as a good introduction to Pearlman's work and to the next story, whose events and setting were both more specific and curious.

Monica McMurrer—The Bucknellian

Award-winning author Edith Pearlman spoke and read some of her short stories at the University last Sunday. One of her pieces was in the most recent edition of the West Branch literary magazine.

"Mates" also followed a family of five very closely, but it begins with just two characters—a married couple, Keith and Mitsko McGuire. They arrive in Godolphin, a fictional Massachusetts town that appears in many of Pearlman's stories, packed as though they are hiking or camping and without any suitcases. They rent an apartment upon their arrival, but remain there even after they start a family.

The narration in this story shifts to first person, voiced by a schoolteacher and lifelong resident of Godolphin. Her personal contact with this family of outsiders (living around the corner from them, teaching their children) and establishment in the town color her comments about them. The McGuires settle in Godolphin and raise their family largely without forming any intimate attachments to the community; it is mentioned that the McGuires do not attend church or belong to any clubs and register as Independents. This lack of connection with the town allows them, after renting the same apartment for 25 years and sending three children to college, to uproot themselves and leave town without any warning.

The story ends on a mysterious yet romantic note with the narrator unsure of whether Keith and Mitsko have departed for a new life as husband and wife or separately.

The last story, "Ropes and Hooks" is another first-person narrative. The story is billed as a "reminiscence" by an unnamed female narrator. She attends an all-girl high school and, though she is disappointed with the lack of extracurricular activities which it offers, she maintains interest in theatrical productions despite being "eager but ungifted." In her junior year, she appears as an Etruscan slave in "Androcles and the Lion," whose cue line is the story's title. She memorizes her single line diligently: "How many dead?" Once she has learned it, she shouts with urgency to whoever is nearby.

The responses of her family and friends to her recitations are quite humorous, but the most outrageous and downright funny moment comes during the actual performance of the play. The narrator makes her entrance, but a stage piece from another play gets caught on her props and is pulled on stage. Only the quick thinking of the female lead rescues the final scene from disaster. The audience in the story is described as falling into hysterics; the reaction of the audience at the reading to the story's humor was less riotous, but certainly audible.

Several students in attendance at the reading expressed their enjoyment. "[Pearlman] really gets into her readings, and that makes it more interesting to watch," David Ruskin '06 said.

"[The reading] got better as it went along," Jenn Strout '06 said. "The first story went kind of slow, but the other two were more interesting."

Uptown hosts energetic band

By Kristen Habacht
Senior Writer

Monica McMurrer—The Bucknellian

Phantom Planet, one of the "100 bands you need to know," played at Uptown on Saturday.

Signaling an impressive turnout, a line steadily grew outside Uptown to see the up-and-coming band Phantom Planet on Saturday at 9:30 p.m. Phantom Planet has been dubbed one of the "100 bands you need to know" by the Alternative Press.

Uptown was filled with students waiting to hear the sounds of the band, which is a unique alternative to the "bubble gum pop" that has recently been the craze. With a sound that was described as "new rock that's sincerely iconic and serious fun" by *Interview Magazine*, Phantom Planet was a hit with the crowd.

Who are the inspirations for such a new rock sound that is obviously impressing music reviewers? The band's Web site says it is influenced by "bands like Elvis Costello and the Attractions, U2, Air and the Flaming Lips."

People who know of Phantom Planet and have enjoyed its first CD may see a growth in the band's material and performance.

"It's a big step since our last record," vocalist Alex Greenwald said of the band's latest effort. "We were kids who had just gotten our driver's licenses. Now we are four years older, I got my license revoked and we're ready to make some real rock and roll."

For those of us who had not heard the sound of Phantom Planet before Saturday's concert, we were thoroughly impressed. The band made many new fans during its fun and energetic performance. Its songs seemed to immediately win over the crowd, including its current hit, "California."

The intimate setting of Uptown allowed many people to get up close and personal with the band. For those seated in the back of the room, TV sets were broadcasting a view from the stage, so that no matter where you were in the room, you were able to see the band.

Uptown sponsored this free event for University students. Both the main room and the pool table area of Uptown were open and students were spread throughout the rooms.

As for Phantom Planet, the southern California band is currently on a nationwide tour and will later tour as the opening band for Elvis Costello.

Ensemble plans to show color

"For Colored Girls," will feature a unique, intriguing format designed to combat racial misunderstandings

By Melinda Kummer
Senior Writer

Bucknell's Multicultural Theatre Ensemble (BMTE) aims "to bring all major and minor organizations together to free our mind and hearts by way of stage," according to its mission statement. This is a truly honorable aim on a campus that all too often misunderstands racial issues. BMTE hopes that its fall production of "For Colored Girls who have Considered Suicide when the Rainbow is not Enuf," on Nov. 21 (location to be announced), will help University students to step into other people's worlds.

'The main reason to bring the play to the University is to bring awareness and truths of the world to campus," Producer India Branch '03 said.

"'For Colored Girls' focuses on the woman of color's search for identity and solace in society," Director Jaynemarie Angbah '03 said. "It explores where she finds her spirit and how that relates to her life and her encounters."

The play captures the essence of maturation for a black female in America. Presented on stage, the stories become real, the emotions become real—the characters relate to the audience as human.

Branch, bringing her experiences in the arts as a native New Yorker, admires the level of quality in the University's Theatre and Dance programs.

"'For Colored Girls' is a production that will push the envelope in an already high quality artistic atmosphere," she said.

In an intriguing and yet unusual format, "For Colored Girls" does not make use of dialogue and scenes. Instead, the play utilizes poetic monologue, self-described by the playwright, Ntozake Shange, as a "choreopoem."

In addition to "fearless and beautiful writing, the play also incorporates dance and music increasing the depth of the audience's experience," Branch said.

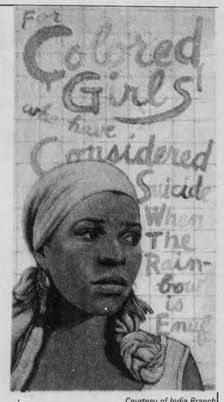
"My goal in directing 'For Colored Girls' is to give [the University] a venue to view black culture and black women through a new lens, an artistic lens," Angbah said. "I also would like to expose [the University] to a powerful play that has the ability to impact everyone—especially women on multiple levels."

Ultimately, the play challenges the members of the audience to learn more about themselves through another culture.

BMTE has realized its mission of "representing the full spectrum of the human condition" in this play that brings color to the University's environment in a way that holds nothing back. "For Colored Girls" is the culmination of real diversity that demands attention to culture. The stage teaches aspects of life that cannot be learned by a book or in the classroom.

i can't hear anythin but
maddening screams
& the soft strains of death
& you promised me
you promised me ...
somebody/ anybody
sing a black girl's song
bring her out
to know herself
to know you
but sing her rhythms
carin/ struggle/ hard times
sing her song of life
she's been dead so long
closed in silence so long
she doesn't know the sound
of her own voice
her infinite beauty

—Ntozake Shange



Courtesy of India Branch

"For Colored Girls," presented by BMTE, is a unique presentation that holds nothing back. It opens Nov. 21.

"Signs" raises questions

By Ken Holroyd
Writer

What would you do if you suddenly felt like prey? What if you didn't believe in the hunter?

These are just a couple of the questions presented in M. Night Shyamalan's "Signs," in which a Pennsylvania farmer wakes to find crop circles in his corn fields, his dogs becoming violent and his children acting like the boy from "The Sixth Sense."

Mel Gibson's character, known as "Father," lives with his two children and his brother on a corn farm in Bucks County, Pa. After finding the strange designs in his field, he and his family begin to notice more odd coincidences, such as all TV channels showing the same program. These eerie events lead the characters to question the origin of the crop circles and what other possible consequences await them.

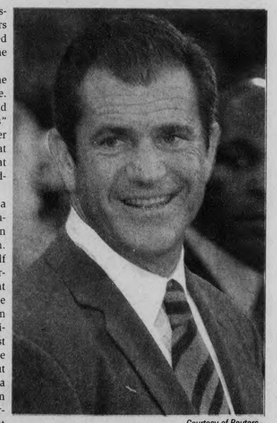
Movie Review
★★★★★

At times, it is nearly impossible to tell what kind of movie "Signs" is—whether it is a thriller, horror or drama. It has the suspense of "The Blair Witch Project," the setting of a Stephen King novel and the intense family devotion of "Armageddon."

Written, produced and directed by Shyamalan, the portrayal of the story raises several questions. Are the crop circles simply a hoax? If they aren't, who (or what) is making them and why? These questions and several others remain unanswered throughout most of the movie.

Taken by itself, the plot is not impressive. It is slow-moving and often dull. "Signs" seems like just another suspense movie that makes you jump at weird sounds and sudden visuals.

Shyamalan had a whole different meaning for the movie than simply to entertain. Within the first half hour, I imagined several different meanings of the story. Is the film about the possibility that past crop circles are real? Is it about human paranoia and the idea that alien visitors aren't necessarily hostile? Is it about aliens at all?



Courtesy of Reuters

Mel Gibson, stars in "Signs" as Father. The mystery of the crop circles raises many questions,

The mystery is intensified by the fact that there are only six major characters. By keeping the cast small, Shyamalan can easily show only one point of view at a time, adding to the confusion. The audience knows only what the characters know.

If you are going for a bit of light entertainment, a mindless thriller or any other movie that doesn't require thinking, this is not the movie for you. Every detail is important in this film, right down to the situation involving Father's last conversation with his wife.

If you want a movie that's going to make you turn white, jump every minute, cry and slap yourself in the forehead by the end, you cannot miss this film. I would go see this movie again and again merely to see what I missed the last time.

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Children's studies program under consideration

By Michelle Dombeck
Arts & Entertainment Editor

A group of faculty members met this summer to discuss the possibility of a children's studies program at the University. While nothing has been formally approved, there are plans to create new courses dealing with children's studies.

"We're exploring the possibility of a children's studies program. What we need to ask is what can we reasonably do well and how much at a time?" Professor of English Michael Payne said. "This project is potentially huge."

Last April, *The Lion and the Unicorn*—one of the two principle children's literature journals in the United States—devoted an entire issue to children's studies. This prompted Payne, who teaches children's literature, to conduct a summer workshop about children's studies with interested members of the faculty.

"The main idea of this particular issue was to encourage people to consider the potential need at their own campuses for a children's studies program," Payne said.

The University seems to demonstrate this need.

"The courses that are offered in human development, child psychology and children's literature are overflowing," Payne said. "I teach a section of children's literature every semester with 60 to 70 students, and we have to turn away that many people. The interest is definitely there."

Lacy Gonzalez '04 is currently enrolled in children's literature.

"Besides the variety of children's novels, the course also uses a variety of media such as films and sociological essays, as well as a hands-on field-work component similar to those in the education department," Gonzalez said. "Everyone can relate to popular children's works from their own childhoods, but viewing them through the lens of adulthood and academics is very different and many times surprising."

A formal children's studies program would prompt the development of new classes.

"There will definitely be some new courses. Although nothing has been formally approved of yet, I would like to offer an introduction to children's studies," Payne said.

Assistant Professor of English Virginia Zimmerman is also planning a new course.

"I am developing a course on adolescent literature, which I hope to offer some time in the next couple of years," Zimmerman said. "I taught a course last spring at Lafayette College in which we did a section on adolescent fiction, primarily 'Alice in Wonderland' and 'Harry Potter.'"

John Rickard, associate professor of English and department chair, feels that the University's children's literature course showcases children's studies' interdisciplinary nature.

"Children's literature not only allows faculty and students to read some wonderfully imaginative works, but it also opens up important questions related to myth, psychology, education, sociology and many other fields of study," Rickard said. "In fact, it's quite possible that in the future we may offer interdisciplinary courses in children's studies that would incorporate some of these different perspectives into the study of childhood."

Payne agrees with Rickard.

"Children's studies is intended to have an interdisciplinary approach to research and teaching about children," Payne said. "At the University, we have discovered that there are a lot of faculty members who are interested in this from many different departments, ranging from physics to education."

In addition to the interdisciplinary nature of children's studies, another side of the program is advocacy.

"We're interested in doing scholarship in such a way that responds to children's needs and promotes their rights," Payne said.

The interdisciplinary and advocacy aspects of children's studies make it a more complicated field than it formerly was. For more than a century, people merely studied the developmental and social aspects of children. Children's studies is no longer so simple.

"The basic notion behind children's studies is that children are complicated," Payne said. "We would never have something called 'adult studies.' How do children see the world? How do they think?"

Greeks celebrate new members

Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian

The Greek community rallied Saturday afternoon at the annual porch event, held above Freas Hall this year due to Hunt Hall renovations. The porch event is the first time new fraternity and sorority members congregate together to show spirit and pride for their new affiliations.

New Rush policies receive mixed reviews

By Rachel Laskow
Editor-in-Chief

Despite a longer Rush period, new Rush policies and Former Director of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs Roy Baker's departure, responses from the Greek community show that Rush went well, but improvements are needed.

"Considering the circumstances, Rush went as well as possible," Intrafraternity Council (IFC) President Aziz Megii '03 said.

Alpha Chi Omega pledge Larissa Brown '05 feels that Rush was a positive experience.

"I loved being able to meet new people, even more girls from my own class. Just through Rush, I met a lot of girls I wouldn't have ever gotten to know otherwise. Even if I hadn't accepted my bid, I thought it was worth going through it for that reason alone," Brown said.

According to Panhellenic President Kate Kenner '03, the recruitment schedule was expanded to accommodate Jewish students wishing to return home for Rosh Hashana. Recruitment was one week longer and evenly distributed over that time frame.

Kenner, Megii and Assistant Director for Greek Affairs Shauna Irwin agree that Rush should be shorter next year.

"Members seem to prefer completing the process faster, from academic and personal perspectives, so recruitment will likely return to its more condensed time schedule next year," Kenner said.

Besides the longer Rush period, fraternities and sororities had to adapt to new policies. One of the most significant changes that affected fraternity rushees was the requirement for each rushee to visit all fraternity houses twice during round one. In the past, rushees were not required to visit all of the houses.

According to Kenner, the IFC policies that were incorporated this fall, by requiring men to visit each fraternity, mirror the Panhellenic approach to equitable recruitment for each chapter.

"It went well and I've received positive feedback. They got to see houses they had never seen before. The houses liked this new system because it put new life and breath in their houses and also increased diversity," Megii said.

New Sigma Phi Epsilon Brother Andy Cox '05 believes that visiting each house once would have been sufficient.

"There were a lot of places that I knew I would never even consider or fit in, there were other places that I knew I might belong and there was one frat that I knew was the place for me from day one. Consequently, I learned a lot during Rush, but it still consumed a lot of my free time during the first two weeks," Cox said.

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Dana Engineering construction to begin soon

Engineering department hopeful for spring start to extension of overcrowded building

By Matt Ellis
Opinions Editor

The College of Engineering has started its final push towards the beginning of construction on an addition to the Dana Engineering building.

Dean of Engineering James Orbison and the rest of the engineering department are hopeful that construction of the new building will begin this spring.

"We are hopeful that the Board of Trustees will approve, at its November meeting, construction of a new engineering building. If the project is approved, construction will begin next spring with a completion date about a year later," Orbison said.

The new building will allow the Engineering College to expand space for lads and classrooms. The new addition will contain six additional classrooms, one large computer laboratory, offices, project spaces and informal interaction spaces.

"During the space allocation part of the design process, the engineering department made decisions on the basis of what was most important for the educational programs and for the students," Orbison said.

The most important thing the new building will give the engineering department is much needed space.

"Over the past 15 years, the College of Engineering has grown slowly, with increases in numbers of students, faculty and staff. Whereas 15 years ago we typically offered a single section of each required course, we are now finding it necessary to offer two sections of many required courses, with a corresponding increase in the need for classrooms," Orison said.

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*—**James Orbison**, dean of engineering*

The University's College of Engineering is beginning to fall behind competing universities for the amount of space per student. A study of other engineering schools has shown that their engineering facilities provide an average of about 190 square feet of space per undergraduate student, while the University provides about 126 square feet per undergraduate student

"The space limitations we're facing in the College of Engineering at Bucknell is real. Without additional space, we will need to limit new projects and initiatives, such as the new biomedical engineering program. This would be a distinct disservice to our present and future students," Orison said.

The addition to the engineering building will also allow the University's engineering students to stay competitive in an ever-changing job market.

"Engineering education is changing, with a greater emphasis on team projects, including much more substantial design projects. As a result, Dana is now one of the most heavily utilized academic buildings on campus and continues to face scheduling difficulties, lab facilities that are inadequate and a shortage of office and student project space," Orison said.

The new building will be Georgian in style to be fully compatible with the campus architecture and will have a brick exterior. The current plan is for the building to be the same height as Dana, with four stories and a basement. The building will extend from behind Dana across Fraternity Road and into the field next to Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity.

The new building, which will be named Breakiron, is being partially financed by a donation from Lauren "Larry" Breakiron and his wife Margit. The Breakirons donated $5 million to support the construction of the new building.

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THE BUCKNELLIAN RECEIVED A SILVER MEDAL CERTIFICATE FROM THE COLUMBIA SCHOLASTIC PRESS ASSOCIATION LAST WEEK. THE AWARD WAS GIVEN AT COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY IN ITS ANNUAL CRITIQUE FOR 2002.

News

Public Safety Log

Wednesday, Sept. 11

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—An employee reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) damaged three University owned car-pool vehicles while parked in the car-pool parking lot. The incident is under investigation.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF/GRAFFITI—A University official reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) wrote offensive graffiti on Vedder Hall walls. The incident is under investigation.

VANDALISM—An employee reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) damaged a University library book at the Bretrand Library. The incident is under investigation.

INFORMATION/PHONE CALLS—Four students reported to Public Safety that they had received unusual phone calls from an unknown male. All the calls were similar in nature with the male asking for relationship advise. The incident is under investigation.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student contacted Public Safety and requested transportation to Evangelical Community Hospital for treatment of back pain. The Student Health Services driver transported the student to the hospital. The individual later returned to campus.

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—Public Safety responded to a fire a monitor trouble alarm at Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity and upon arrival determined that the alarm was caused by a plastic bag covering a smoke detector in room 205. Charges filed for tampering with fire equipment.

Thursday, Sept. 12, 2002

ASSIST POLICE/UNDERAGE DRINKING—Public Safety responded to Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity to assist Lewisburg Police Department with two intoxicated students. Citations were issued for underage drinking.

INFORMATION—University officials of Muskingum College contacted Public Safety with the report that a student of that school might be a risk to a University student he planned to visit. The student was interviewed and advised Public Safety that the visit is authorized by her.

INFORMATION/PROVIDING FALSE INFORMATION—While on routine patrol, Public Safety was informed by an employee that he had lost his decal. The employee was granted temporary parking privileges for three days. Upon investigation, the officer determined that the employee had an expired decal and multiple parking violations.

Friday, Sept. 13

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed his bicycle from the Trax Hall bike rack where it was locked. The incident is under investigation.

INFORMATION/REPORTED RECKLESS DRIVING—Two employees reported to Public Safety that a vehicle operated by an unknown male driver was seen driving at an unsafe speed on the grass in front of Roberts Hall. The license plate check by Lewisburg Police Department determined that the vehicle belonged to a student. Citations issued for reckless driving, failure to register vehicle, driving on grass and driving on paths or sidewalks.

FRATERNITY ALCOHOL VIOLATIONS—Public Safety responded to a fire alarm activation at Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity. Public Safety observed a group of males spraying beer on one another. Fraternity officers stated that no one was consuming the beer. A University official responded. Citations are pending.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student contacted Public Safety and requested transportation to Evangelical Community Hospital for follow-up treatment of a bee sting. A Student Health Services driver responded and transported the student. The individual later returned to campus.

DRUG VIOLATION/UNFOUNDED—Public Safety responded to McDonnell Hall for the report of the odor of marijuana. Upon a plain view search, Public Safety did not observe an drugs or paraphernalia or detect the odor of marijuana.

INFORMATION/SUSPICIOUS BOX—Public Safety responded to the University West Mods for the report of a suspicious box sitting in the parking lot. Public Safety determined the box contained riding equipment. The box was placed in Public Safety storage until someone claims it.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT/PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS—A student reported to Public Safety that her intoxicated ex-boyfriend, a University alumnus, had kicked her car in the Phi Psi Fraternity parking lot. East Buffalo Township Police Department responded to the scene and cited the visitor for public drunkenness and disorderly conduct.

Saturday, Sept. 14

ASSIST POLICE/UNDERAGE DRINKING—Public Safety responded to the front of Larison Hall to assist Lewisburg Police Department with an intoxicated student. The individual was placed in the care of a resident assistant. Citations issued for littering, open container violation and underage drinking.

MEDICAL/AIDED—Public Safety responded to Freas Hall for the report of a visitor who had fallen and injured her ankle. The female refused medical treatment and signed a medical assistance refusal form. Public Safety did assist the visitor to obtain ice to treat the injury, while she was traveling to her home.

UNDERAGE DRINKING—While on routine patrol, Public Safety observed a female staggering by Delta Upsilon Fraternity. Upon investigation, it was determined the female was a student, under the age of 21, who admitted to consuming alcohol. Citation issued for underage drinking.

UNDERAGE DRINKING—While conducting a party check at Sigma Chi Fraternity, Public Safety observed a male throw a cup of beer on the floor. Upon investigation, it was determined that the male was a student under the age of 21, who admitted to consuming alcohol. Citation issued for underage drinking.

UNDERAGE DRINKING—Public Safety observed a male carrying an open container of alcohol in the Lower Harris lot. Upon investigation, it was determined that the male was a student under the age of 21, who admitted to consuming alcohol. Citation issued for underage drinking.

Sunday, Sept. 15

UNDERAGE DRINKING—While on routine patrol, Public Safety observed a male attempting to flee from Lewisburg Police Department behind Vedder Hall. Upon investigation, after receiving false identification, it was determined the male was under the age of 21 who admitted to consuming alcohol. Citations issued for underage drinking and false information.

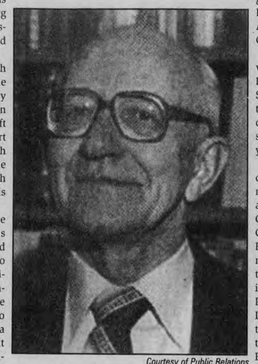
THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed the upper half of the driver's side door frame of her friend's Jeep while it was parked in Bucknell West. The incident is under investigation. East Buffalo Township Police Department was notified.

Former professor Kieft earns Joseph Priestly Service Award

By Chris Styers
Senior Writer

In 1876 in New York City, 35 chemists came together to establish the American Chemical Society (ACS). On Sept. 18, the ACS—now more than 160,000 members strong—recognized Lester Kieft, University professor emeritus of chemistry, with the Joseph Priestley Service Award.

The Joseph Priestly Service Award was recently created by the Susquehanna Valley Section of the ACS, which includes such schools as the University, Bloomsburg University, Penn State at Wilkes-Barre, Lycoming College and Susquehanna University.



Courtesy of Public Relations

Former University professor Lester Kieft received the Joseph Priestly Service Award from the American Chemical Society Wednesday. The ceremony coincided with his 90th birthday.

The late chemist Joseph Priestley was best known for the discovery of oxygen. Priestley settled locally in Northumberland, Pa. after he left England because of his support of the American and French Revolutions. In America, he conducted research in a high quality laboratory that stands now as a historical site.

Kieft was attuned to the important contributions Priestley made to chemistry and he took it upon himself to ensure Priestly received recognition. Kieft single-handedly confronted the U.S. Postal Service and lobbied the legislature to bring about the creation of a Joseph Priestley stamp that would commemorate his accomplishments. Kieft succeeded and on April 13, 1983 the stamp was officially issued. Kieft's devotion to Priestley's work is further illustrated in the manuscript he authored, entitled "Joseph Priestley and the Priestley House." The main lobby of the Bertrand Library displays this manuscript, as well as other significant information and pictures involving the lives of both men.

Coinciding with his 90th birthday, Kieft is the first recipient of the award. It was not, however, simply his contributions to Priestley that earned Kieft this honor. Kieft's work with faculty and staff, his influence for 39 years on University students and the contributions he has made to the Lewisburg community and various organizations were what truly earned him this recognition.

Kieft received his Bachelor of Science degree from Hope College and his Ph.D. from Pennsylvania State University. In 1942, Kieft came to the University and served as a professor of chemistry for 39 years. During that time, Kieft was chair of the chemistry department for 25 years and served as Secretary of the Faculty for 12 years. In addition, Kieft became the first premedical adviser and was co-founder of the Association for Advisors for the Health Professions.

"He was very student oriented. He was always a go-getter and very dedicated to Bucknell and the community," Associate Professor of Chemistry Timothy Strein said.

Another of Kieft's endeavors was in 1958, when he and John Day of Merck co-founded the Susquehanna Valley Section of the ACS. Kieft was the first chairman of the section and served as its Councilor for 21 years.

Aside from his professional career, Kieft took a very active role in the community. He was an avid member of the Lions Club and began the Pa. Lions Conservation and Eye Research Foundation. Kieft received a number of awards and recognitions for his work with the blind, including the Lions International President's Award. Outside the Lions Club, his continued devotion to help people earned Kieft the position of president of the Eastern Union County United Way. In 1991, Kieft was recognized by the governor of Pennsylvania with the Governor's Highway Safety Award for offering driving instruction to more than 400 seniors through the 55 Alive/Mature Driving Program. In addition to these organizations, Kieft has also very devoted to his church and has served as Church Deacon, Elder, Session Member and Sunday school teacher.

Kieft also served as president of the Lewisburg Borough Council for four years and served as a member of the Borough Council for many more years. In the 1950s, Kieft performed the duties of Chairman of the Lewisburg Planning Commission, which helped establish zoning laws. He remained on the committee for more than 20 years.

University opens Summit House

By Chris Styers
Senior Writer

The University recently acquired and began renovations on the vacant Theta Chi Fraternity House. Renamed Summit House, the building now provides residence for alumni of the Humanities Residential College and a common area from which the humanities program can flourish.

Matt Vanaskie—The Bucknellian

Summit House, formerly the Theta Chi Fraternity House, currently houses alumni of the Humanities Residential College.

Last school year, Summit House had no residents. The building's doors and windows were boarded up and the interior was in various states of disrepair, including water damage and ruined flooring. Instead of leaving the building dormant and allowing its condition worsen, the University purchased the house from Theta Chi. Assistant Dean of Students and Director of Housing and Residential Life Dan Remley said that by the University purchasing the house, it will allow Theta Chi to focus more on recruiting and re-establishing the fraternity.

Once the settlement was made, the University sketched plans for renovations with hopes that the building would be available for this school year. With confirmation that the house would indeed be ready this year, Remley approached Kelly Finley, the program coordinator of Residential Colleges, to see if the house could be utilized in the Residential College Program.

"The Department of Housing and Residential life is interested in assisting in academic enrichment. Providing a space to strengthen the Residential College program allows a peer group centered around a common theme to find ties back to the academic mission in their everyday life," Remley said.

Taking advantage of the opportunity, Finley went to the Residential Colleges to seek enough students to fill the house. With the opening of Tower House for Arts College Alumni, the Humanities Alumni were the only ones without a house. She saw Summit House as a possibility and the Humanities alumni had a strong response with more than enough people to completely fill the house. Humanities alumni recognized the opening as a possibility for both the alumni community and incoming first-year students.

"Summit is a great place because it gives the Residential College alumni a place to live that still has Humanities overtones," said Humanities Residential Fellow Matt Baker '05. "By having a house for the Humanities College, we can host college events and strengthen the sense of community with the freshman making them feel more welcome at school."

The Humanities College has hosted events for first-year students, such as its "Buddy Program," in which Humanities Alumni and new Humanities students are paired up to interact. A barbecue was also held at Summit House, allowing alumni and students to get to know each other.

"I think it's crucial to break that class difference barrier and get to know our newest Res College arrivals," Tyler Kidder '05 said.

"Summit House allows the Humanities Buddies Program to provide additional academic and social support that first year students may need in order to make a successful transition both to the Residential College and the University," Kang Tchou '05 said

Summit House provides benefits for the Residential College that a hall in a residence hall like Swartz cannot hope to provide. One of the features that Finley mentioned was the large common space in Summit House that is excellent for group programming. Although much of the alumni programming works with first-year students, they are not the only ones that benefit from the program and the house.

"[Alumni can] continue their connections with students from their Res College into sophomore year," Finley said.

Other alumni remarked that the program also allows learning to extend beyond the classroom.

Humanities Alumni are extremely grateful that they have been given this opportunity. Tchou and others were very happy with the renovations made to the house. Before the renovations, Tchou said the house was horrible.

"I could not understand why a pledge would want to live there. Now, it's like a completely new house. There are still things that need to be done, but it is wonderful," Tchou said.

Although the future of the house is uncertain, Humanities alumni are making the best of the house using it to promote a positive college experience for both first-ye - students and alumni.

Class of 2006 elects officers

By Megan Fox
Writer

The Class of 2006 elected its first representatives to the Bucknell Student Government (BSG) on Sept. 10. Voters elected Paul Wolujewicz president, Kyle Mumford vice president and Joel Buckman secretary/treasurer.

First-year students also chose Leah Cunningham, Allison Fitzmaurice, Vanessa Harper, Lizzy McDaniel, Dave Merin, Scott Messinger, Gretchen Perry and Lars Weborg to be their representatives in BSG Congress. Amanda Roof, Matt Gabler and Lily Williamson were selected as alternates.

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> —**Paul Wolujewicz**, *Class of 2006 president*

Voting was conducted electronically through a link on the University's Web site. Students were informed of the election results via e-mail the following day.

"I think the election went excellently," said Amir Sadaghiani, president of BSG. "There was a great voter turnout."

Initially, the election was scheduled for Sept. 9, but an error in the original ballot and a candidate disqualification caused a postponement.

The newly-elected president, vice president and secretary/treasurer campaigned together under the slogan "Vote BMW"—"B" for Buckman, "M" for Mumford and "W" for Wolujewicz.

"I just think it's destiny that three great lads were put together in one campaign and in one election," Wolujewicz said.

Wolujewicz had experience in student government during high school, holding various officer positions in the past four years.

" I think I represent the class very well. First and foremost, I love Bucknell. I think all the things Bucknell offers is what keeps it a great school, instead of just an academic environment," Wolujewicz said. "I just want to keep the ball rolling because all of the previous years have set the precedent, and I want to make this freshman year a memorable one for the rest of our lives."

Buckman also took part in student government, in addition to holding numerous other leadership positions throughout high school.

"I wanted to be secretary/treasurer because I definitely wanted the new experience of being a treasurer and I wanted an officer position so that I could influence the school and work to make freshman year great," Buckman said. "My goal is to work well with the freshman congress members and bring good quality events to the freshman class."

The newly-elected representatives of the Class of 2006 attended their first BSG meeting last Sunday.

"The officers all seemed really motivated and I am looking forward to working with them this year," Sadaghiani said.

The representatives of 2006 scheduled their first class meeting for last Thursday at noon. At the meeting, the officers began planning a fundraiser for the freshman fall formal.

According to Wolujewicz, the formal, scheduled to take place sometime after fall break, will be one of many events planned this year for first-year students.

News

World Briefs

Compiled by Andrew Burr
Courtesy of MSNBC.com

Bush, Rumsfeld push case for action

WASHINGTON—With the United Nations wavering in its support for tough action against Iraq, President George W. Bush and Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld sent a strong message Wednesday that the United States is resolved to move against Saddam Hussein on its own. After meeting with congressional leaders at the White House, the president said lawmakers had agreed to consider a resolution approving military action against Baghdad. On Capitol Hill, Rumsfeld said the approval must come before the U.N. Security Council votes on a return of arms inspectors to Iraq.

United States had 12 warnings of jet attacks

WASHINGTON—Intelligence agencies failed to anticipate terrorists' flying planes into buildings despite a dozen clues in the years before the Sept. 11 attacks that Osama bin Laden or others might use aircraft as bombs, a congressional investigator told lawmakers Wednesday as they began public hearings into the attacks.

Explosion rocks northern Israel

JERUSALEM—A Palestinian blew himself up after police challenged him at a bus stop in northern Israel during evening rush hour Wednesday. One policeman was killed and two people were wounded. The bombing, the first suicide attack in six weeks, came in a new burst of violence a day after Israel turned down a Palestinian offer to halt attacks on civilians in Israel as the first stage of a gradual truce.

Koreas begin reopening border link

KOSUNG/DORASAN STATION, South Korea—Longtime rivals South and North Korea began work on Wednesday to relink railways and roads, a landmark event symbolically piercing the world's last Cold War frontier. It was the latest in a series of signs that communist North Korea was gradually opening up to the outside world after decades of isolation.

Merrill Lynch fires execs tied to Enron

Merrill Lynch & Co. said it has terminated Vice Chairman Thomas W. Davis for his refusal to testify in an investigation into the several controversial financial transactions the big financial-services firm completed for Enron Corp. in 1999.

Hershey will not sell candymaker

HERSHEY, Pa.—Hershey Trust, the charity board that controls Hershey Foods Corp., said it visited two bids it received for the candymaker, but ultimately pulled the company off the auction block, apparently bowing to pressure from local residents and politicians.

Rosie O'Donnell scraps magazine

NEW YORK—Rosie O'Donnell abruptly quit her namesake magazine Wednesday, citing a deteriorating relationship with the magazine's publisher Gruner + Jahr.

RUSH

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Another policy change for fraternities was that rushees had to rank their top six choices.

"With ranking, the fraternities were able to see the interest levels and the rushees could focus," Megji said.

Although Megji believes Rush was successful overall, he would have liked to place everyone in a fraternity who went through recruitment.

"It was difficult because IFC Rush Chair Chris Perrella '03 and I were new to the process, and Shauna is still in her first month and has so much on her plate. We were not able to be as aggressive in getting everyone placed as when Dean Baker was here. Hopefully this will be reconciled with open bids, and a more formal spring recruitment," Megji said.

Sororities had to face their own challenges by holding Rush in Vedder Hall because Hunt Hall is being renovated.

"Vedder was different for the sororities, but it allowed them to think outside of the box. The challenge allowed them to build bonds between sororities that weren't there before," Irwin said.

Despite some problems that the sororities faced in Vedder, Kenner remains optimistic.

"Because Vedder Hall is inhabited by a variety of students, there were more incidences of vandalism to our suite decorations than had happened in Hunt. But, torn posters are relatively unimportant, especially knowing that we will be returning to a beautifully renovated dormitory next semester," Kenner said.

Kenner also believes the sorority members were very cooperative and diligent in preparing for recruitment events.

"All seven sororities accepted the maximum number of women possible through our bid-matching process. This significantly reduced the number of women who did not receive a bid to any sorority," Kenner said.

According to Irwin, students have risen to her expectation of their leadership skills in two weeks time.

"We started off on a good foot. We put the positive foot forward. I expect them to stay on that road—to be leaders and to be honest, and to become a community," Irwin said.

Wage minimum for workers changes

By Jennifer Jenchura
Senior Writer

Immediately effective, all University employees can attain a wage rate above $9 per hour after four years of satisfactory employment.

The dollar amount of an employee's wage will increase annually in proportion to wage increases at lower levels within the local wage survey. The personnel office will develop a model for this wage target development plan.

The cost of this one-time change will be insignificant relative to the wage budget, according to the report from the University's Committee on Planning and Budget.

The committee makes recommendations to the administration on the financial aspects of program planning, facilities planning and the capital budget, and on the general policies and guidelines for the annual budget. Voting membership includes four elected members of the faculty, members of Bucknell Student Government (BSG), a salaried employee, two hourly staff employees and a handful of various University officials.

Last April, the committee agreed to study the issue of staff salaries and the living wage proposal submitted by the Bucknell Caucus for Economic Justice (BCEJ).

The BCEJ was started in the fall of 2001 to bring attention to any distance between the University's employment practices and its mission statement commitment "to engage in institutional programs and practices that exemplify compassion, civility and a sense of justice."

Since then, the BCEJ estimated $10.54 per hour as the living wage rate for University employees.

"A living wage is defined as the level of wage that would allow a family adequately to meet its basic needs without needing public or private assistance," Associate Professor of Geography Paul Susman said.

In April 2001, Associate Professor of English Saundra Morris and Associate Professor of Economics Charles Sackrey requested that the committee undertake a study exploring the cost of implementing a living wage at the University. They proposed a pay rate no lower than $9 per hour and asked the committee to identify possible sources of revenue to finance the change.

Soon after the request, University President Steffen Rogers responded by formally asking the committee to analyze the concept and financial implications of a living wage.

The committee spent last spring considering the "Living Wage" issue. In April, Committee Chair and Professor of Geography and Environmental Studies Ben Marsh sent draft recommendations to the president and received a response in May.

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> —**Steffen Rogers**, *University president*

"The committee was unable to endorse the Living Wage concept as it came to us; it seems vague in its expression and contrary to certain other principles within the University employment system," according to the memo sent by Marsh.

"The committee believes that the University should commit itself to providing opportunities and support for the advancement of every hourly employee who performs satisfactorily to rise in responsibility, and therefore to rise in pay past some certain wage target," Marsh said.

Following the focus on "potential for advancement" in the memo, the committee found that just a small percent of employees worked at the University for more than four years but continued to earn less than $9 per hour.

Currently, about 15 percent of the total support staff earns less than $9 per hour and that percentage was essentially zero after four years of satisfactory service.

The committee narrowed down the type of hourly employee the $9 wage would include to only full-time, "benefits-eligible" support staff employees. It did not include non-benefited staff or employees of outside contractors, such as some food service workers.

The campus has approximately 500 University wage employees. No salaried staff in benefited positions fall below the equivalent pay level.

Some members of the committee felt that raising the minimum wage to a designated level removes incentives for workers to work to their potential and also puts those who have previously earned raises at a disadvantage.

"This wage was a weighted average of estimations of living expenses of several family sizes in several local counties. The committee does not see a way to identify some single income level that constitutes a Living Wage for all employees," Marsh said in his memo.

The committee believes that the existence of lower wage rate jobs in the local market satisfies the employment needs of entry-level workers seeking to develop skills, as well as workers who prefer to have a less challenging job at matching wages.

Some members of the committee believe those in lower pay ranges may underestimate the total benefit of working at the University because of the health and education benefits (the same ones faculty receive), the retirement plan and advancement opportunities the University provides.

Rogers accepted the committee's report.

"We hope we are an employer who can attract the best employees in the local market, can treat them with pride and decency and hope that they can respond with pride in their employer. We pledge to recognize and respect those improvements that your report recommends," Rogers said.

He subsequently directed that an acceleration scale be prepared to allow present and future employees to achieve the inflation-adjusted four-year floor in future years.

The president's implementation does not solve the wage debate.

"The announced policy was that workers would receive $9 if they had satisfactory work reports for four years. In other words, it applies to just a tiny number of people. Others may receive less until they have completed four years of work. No other job that I have ever heard establishes a low wage probationary period of four years. Thus, it omits about 100 people and is not yet a meaningful minimum wage at Bucknell," Susman said. "I believe that we should take to heart Bucknell's Mission Statement that calls for 'compassion, civility and a sense of justice,' and we should all do everything possible to ensure that members of Bucknell's work force to not suffer from want."

The Living Wage campaign at the University began in response to the low wages of dining services workers. The new proposal does not include workers for the company hired to provide the University's food service, nor does it insist that its subcontracted dining services company pay the same wages other University staff employees receive.

Rogers and his staff have been working on staff issues. They created a staff category of "benefited casuals" to give some level of benefit to all campus workers.

A new workplace adviser program will also be implemented immediately. In response to results from the campus climate survey conducted over the summer, Rogers announced that elected staff members would serve as liaisons to provide a confidential means of registering work-related complaints. Managers will soon receive training.

"Fear and concern for job security among staff people led many to bring complaints to BCEJ on a confidential basis over the last few years rather than go through the existing grievance procedures at Bucknell. The ombudsperson program is a step in the right direction to create a means for bringing job grievances without fear of reprisal," Susman said.

Susman proposed that the immediate implication of a wage floor of at least $9 per hour adjusted annually for inflation for all University support staff including dining services, not just certain workers who fit the four-year satisfactory performance level requirement.

"There would be major budget implications if the minimum wage was increased to $9 per hour. It would not be fair to the person who started out making lower than $9 per hour, so the new plan would push up all salaries. If the motion passes we will see compressed salaries after the $9 wage," Marsh said.

The issue will be discussed at next month's faculty meeting.

Campus reacts to Sept. 11 ceremonies

By Elisabeth Salemme
Staff Writer

The one-year anniversary of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on America was commemorated last week at the University and throughout the nation. Students, faculty and staff gathered around campus for religious ceremonies, a Remembrance, Reflection and Renewal ceremony and to receive support and comfort through one-on-one and group sessions.

"A lot of planning went in to the ceremony, especially with the office of chaplains. The services were well planned, meaningful and very inclusive," Catholic Chaplain Father Marty Moran said.

According to University President Steffen Rogers, preparation for the event began more than six months ago. A great deal of organizing took place, including planning for the choir and the presentations.

Rogers could not be present at the ceremony due to University business in California. According to Rogers, a large number of people were invited to a dinner that night for fundraising and alumni affairs. He said that it was not until after everyone had responded to attend that the realization was made that it would be impossible for him to attend the ceremony.

"I was very disappointed not to be here," Rogers said.

According to Moran, the ceremony, held behind Rooke Chapel, had the theme of Remembrance, Reflection and Renewal to help the University community understand what had happened, but also for everyone to realize it is a time to move on.

"I commend the organizers for achieving a highly appropriate tone and a very good result. The multiple acts of remembering, reflecting and renewal were each important, not only to individual community members, but also to the Bucknell community as a whole," Vice President for Student Affairs Charles Pollock '70 said.

Students also appreciated the efforts of those who planned the memorial.

"I think Bucknell did a great job with its handling of Sept. 11. The ceremony was very tasteful. It gave a sense of closure, as much as any memorial or program could give," President of Bucknell Student Government Amir Sadaghiani '03 said.

Anyone who wanted to participate in the ceremony by reading poetry, essays or religious prayers, or by speaking could do so. University Chaplain Ian Oliver said he was grateful that so many students, faculty and staff came forward to participate.

"It is very difficult to design something that will respond to an unpredictable response," Oliver said. "What we wanted to do is to make room for people to feel what they were feeling."

"I think the University did a good job of handling the anniversary of Sept. 11. [The University] provided a ceremony and service for those who chose to participate, while not going overboard, for example, bringing up the topic in every class," Kristen Reichardt '06 said. "If someone needed to talk, they had the opportunity to do so."

According to Rogers, a "full spectrum" of reactions from students was anticipated. Although student reactions varied, according to Oliver most people were not as upset as might have been expected. He said a big response was anticipated, as the crisis center and Meditation Chapel were set up for students to seek counseling.

"It was interesting because we didn't know [what reactions to anticipate from students]," Rogers said. "I talked with our two psychologists who helped us last year as well as other faculty members and we discussed what the reactions might be. What we tried to do was prepare the faculty. We had a discussion about the various approaches to take at a faculty meeting, we set up the emergency response team again, just in case, and asked the faculty to be aware that they were going to have those kinds of reactions in the classes."

Oliver was also unsure of what to expect from students.

"I've talked to a few students, but I haven't talked to them all. I talked to the RLC (Religious Life on Campus) staff and housing staff just to see if there was a lot of upset on campus, if there were a lot of people having major difficulties and they said there were surprisingly little," Oliver said.

According to various University chaplains and administrators, the University has changed since Sept. 11 in terms of the attitudes and ways by which by the students, faculty and staff live their lives. In addition, a more prominent sense of community has been established.

"The primary change that I have picked up is that people are much more tolerant. People seem to be much more open to one another, even to strangers, than perhaps before, and even on campus there is a seriousness about academics and service learning, reaching out to other people in so many different ways," Rogers said. "We always did those things, but now there is just an umbrella of a much stronger feeling of caring about other people."

"At Bucknell, many of Sept. 11's lasting effects have been subtle, and many have been positive. More of us appear to be placing importance on having a sense of community, and on helping others, and on understanding international issues and current events," Pollock said.

Administrators and chaplains encourage students who still deal with lingering pain, fear, anger and grief to speak with someone at psychological services, or University faculty, friends or family.

"The number one thing is to talk to somebody," Oliver said. "There are lots of confidential resources on campus. It is very important to get those feelings out and to share them with other people who may feel the same way."

Administrators and chaplains also expressed hope for the future both at the University and throughout the nation.

"I would hope that Sept. 11 has reminded us that we take a lot of very important things for granted, and that we shouldn't," Oliver said. "I would hope that a university would be a place where people would be thinking hard about these things, because if not here, then where?"

"I am hopeful that our collective, increased interest in other cultures, other nations and history will grow even stronger, with long-term results, such as that enhance cross-cultural understanding," Pollock said. "I hope that we continue looking out for one another in the new ways we have."

News

Rush 2002

Fraternities Welcome 236 New Members

Chi Phi

Tom Denny
Jeff Livesay

Delta Upsilon

Andrew Holland
Blake Silverman
Brendan Shanley
Chris Cara
Colby Ricker
David Mainor
Eric Biester
Frank DiMaria
Jason Hoffman
Joe Pullano
John Heekin
John Orie
John Salvesen
Matt Bourgeois
Michael Brooks
Michael Petrash
Ned Hare
Nick Martino
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Mike Kavalus '05, a new member of Sigma Phi Epsilon, waves the fraternity's flag as he jogs into the porch event. Traditionally held at Hunt Hall, the event was moved to Freas Hall because of renovations on the sorority dorm.

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Alex Dolle
Greg Ekimoff
David Garrisi
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Brian Kuhn
James Martell
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Joel Bettner
Paul Bohlander
Griffin Brungraber
Nate Christoff
Devin Cooch
Tom Cosgrove
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Peter Cramer
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Chris Fellabaum
Ryan Fleischer
Adam Freeman
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Ryan Goodman
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Brandan Lingle
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Mia Fioravanti
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Jesselyn Greiner
Michelle Hammersley
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Kristy Langley
Kristin McWilliams
Michelle Miller
Kristin Morrison
Erin Morsheimer
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Kelsey Plunkett
Dana Pratt
Allison Robl
Sara Roth
Maggie Rutherford
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Marissa Schmidt
Laurie Seeley
Jessica Stelma
Katherine Stiteler
Cara Turner
Meredith Widner
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Sorority members assemble on top of Freas Hall for Porch Party on Saturday afternoon, anxiously awaiting the arrival of the fraternity rush members. The traditional welcome event was moved this year due to construction on Hunt Hall.

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Jaclyn Gannon
Allison Gasbarra
Roberta Gibson
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Allison Kasic
Sun Lee
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Merryl Geisse
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Amy Hassler
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Paola Grande
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The Bucknellian Editorial

Mixed feelings from Rush, improvements needed

This year, many changes were made to Rush, bringing mixed results from the Greek community.

In order to accommodate Jewish students who wanted to celebrate Rosh Hashana, Rush was extended to three weeks, instead of the normal two-week period. Many Greek members agreed that three weeks was too long. For sororities, girls had to wait longer in between rounds to find out if they received a bid from a sorority. This waiting causes more anxiety than a two-week Rush period would.

Because of the longer Rush period, there were many days in which no events took place. Although the extra days between rounds gave people a break from the activities, they also provided more opportunities for dirty Rush. However, dirty Rush is inevitable and can happen if Rush is two weeks or three weeks long.

Another significant policy change that affected fraternities was the requirement for all rushees to visit each house twice during round one of Rush, similar to how girls have to visit each sorority. Last year, rushees only had to go to four fraternity houses. One of the goals of Rush is to meet new people and by going to all of the houses, rushees are meeting many new people. If they only went to houses where they already knew people, Rush would not be as successful in fulfilling that goal.

Although going to all of the houses provided an opportunity for rushees to visit houses they normally would not think of going to, visiting the houses twice seemed to be excessive. Most people are able to know whether or not they are interested in a house the first time they visit.

Another significant change that took place for fraternities was ranking. This year, rushees had to rate their top fraternity choices. This system allowed rushees to focus more on which house they wanted to join. Also, current fraternity members could better judge the interest levels of the potential pledges.

Perhaps one of the biggest challenges facing sorority Rush was the fact that Rush had to take place in Vedder because Hunt, the traditional home for sororities, is being renovated. During Rush, some sorority girls living in Vedder had to move furniture out of their rooms to create a make-shift suite.

Although there were some problems, such as vandalism to door decorations, Rush in Vedder created a common bond between sororities. For example, on the Chi Omega hall, there were a few members from other sororities. Therefore, members from different sororities were able to interact more than they could in Hunt.

Due to the Hunt renovations, the Porch Event was held on top of Freas Hall. Although the Porch Event was still successful in getting the Greek community together, some criticized the event's new venue. When the Porch Event was held at Hunt, there was the connection to the sororities because sororities are housed in Hunt. However, that same connection was not present at Freas.

Considering the policy changes and extended Rush period, Rush went well. Once Hunt is finished and some policies, such as visiting houses twice, are revisited, Rush should go smoother.

Bush much smarter than many suggest

By Aaron Hanlon
Writer

If you've been following the news over the past few years, you are undoubtedly sure of three things: the Earth is still round; Anna Kournikova, though strikingly beautiful, is horrible at tennis;and President George W. Bush is a complete moron.

Chances are, you've heard the latter far more than any popular media slogan since the Clinton administration's bestseller "It's Just About Sex." But while we know that the Earth is indeed round, and unfortunately, will have flattened out by the time Kournikova wins a tournament, the malicious attacks by the mass media on Bush's intellectual capacity and competence as our president are false and poorly justified.

There are essentially three main categories of oft-used claims suggesting that Bush is intellectually bankrupt and unfit to be president.

The most prevalent of these is the "babbling idiot" claim. Bush stumbles over words, so, naturally, he must be stupid.

While the president is certainly not a fantastic public speaker, this is no indication of stupidity. Even before his psychological disorders set in, Nobel Laureate John Nash had a stuttering problem and has always had some difficulty forming sentences.

This is not to say that Bush is a genius because he stutters like Nash. Rather, your inability to speak well is not necessarily a reflection of your intellect, or lack thereof. In fact, many "intelligent" politicians who are not the target of media slander misspeak from time to time.

The brilliant former vice-president Al Gore, whom the media dubs too intelligent to connect with the average voter, had these words of wisdom: "A zebra cannot change its spots," and "I always had a very vivid and clear sense that men and women were entirely and completely equal, if not more so." Bush may not be history's most articulate president, but that doesn't make him an idiot.

Another favorite used to attack Bush's intelligence is the claim that at Yale he was merely a C-student. By his own admission, Bush made many poor choices in college, probably including too much partying and not enough studying. While a C is not exactly a presidential-quality grade, it is important to note that, back when Bush attended Yale, it was still possible to get a C at Ivy League schools. In addition to this, college grades are not an adequate indicator of one's intelligence and ability.

If I am incorrect here, I would expect all C students reading right now to put this paper down and resign themselves to the notion that they will always be middle management or average employees after graduation. To quote Kenneth Langone in last year's commencement speech, "The world is run by C students." Gore, who has climbed his way to the top of the Democratic Party, received mostly Cs at Harvard. (He received straight As in his art classes.) Oddly enough, the same people who criticize Bush for being stupid on the basis of his college grades also consider Gore to be "too intellectual," although Gore had virtually the same grades.

Perhaps the most effective cheap shot at Bush's intellect and capabilities is that he was given everything, including his current position, by his father. Thus, Bush never achieved anything on his own because he was too stupid, or because he didn't need to due to Daddy's power and influence. Contrary to popular belief, Bush the elder was a scarcely-known congressman who was about to lose his first Senate race when his son was admitted to Yale.

Being an out-of-work congressman makes one a virtual nobody among Yale Admissions. The idea that G. W. was admitted to Yale because of his father is ludicrous. After graduating from Yale and earning his M.B.A from Harvard, G. W. Bush revived the Texas Rangers and made a $15 million profit (though you may have been taught otherwise, profit is a good thing) from his investment in the team. Bush's work with the Rangers showed anything but intellectual vacancy, as he demonstrated superior managerial skills. Generally speaking, you cannot do what Bush did for the Texas Rangers without substantial ability and leadership qualities.

Though managing a baseball team to success certainly does not qualify one to be president, this was merely the beginning of Bush's achievements as a chief administrator. He drew 53.5 percent of the vote in unseating wildly popular Democratic incumbent Ann Richards in the Texas gubernatorial election of 1994. Thereafter, he became the first Texas governor to be elected to consecutive four-year terms in the 1998 election, taking 68.6 percent of the vote. Unless Bush the elder somehow ran throughout Texas and stuffed the ballots in favor of his son, G. W. Bush destroyed a popular incumbent in consecutive elections because he is an intelligent, likeable and capable leader. The voters in Texas (and later Florida) seemed to agree.

Bush is probably not a genius, and certainly not infallible. Most people can have intelligent debate about his policies and effectiveness. But those who take unsupported cheap shots at his intellect show their own ignorance and stupidity. Intelligent people cannot debate with those whose critical rhetoric is limited to that of a broken "you're stupid" record. Calling someone dumb in the absence of a legitimate, fact-based claim wouldn't even earn you a C at Yale.

University bumped down again

By Xino Jiang
Writer

According to the newest *U.S. News And World Report*, the University is tied for 29th among the nation's 217 liberal arts colleges with another six colleges. The ranking is not too bad, but in comparison to our rankings in past years the trend is not optimal.

I started to observe the college rankings in *U.S. News And World Report* when I was in high school. I was just like everyone else in my high school, searching online all the time, trying to get into a highly-ranked college.

Based on my observations, the University's ranking has been dropping every single year, from 26th in 2000 to 29th currently. The University was once ranked 20th. Now, it is ranked in a six-way tie above Bard College and Franklin & Marshall College, which are tied for 36th.

It is possible that if we follow the trend of the past years, we will drop from the top 35 liberal arts colleges altogether.

As a self-supported student, I also noticed that our tuition has increased by 4 to 5 percent in the past few years. This year, tuition increased 8 percent. The apparently inverse relationship of the ranking and tuition does not make any sense.

As a student at the University, I do not know what is really happening with the administration. I really hope some "inside people" can give me an explanation. Maybe there is something I do not know. I do not mind paying a higher tuition to get a better education, but I do mind seeing the University's ranking decrease every year while tuition simultaneously increases.

Some people might argue that college ranking is not important, but I disagree. First, all prospective liberal arts students need rankings of schools in order to place themselves.

Secondly, both employers and graduate schools look at the rankings of the schools from which their applicants graduated in order to make final acceptance decisions.

Third, ranking represents how prestigious a school is when compared with other schools. As one of the 3,500 students here, I always hope to see my beloved college doing better than other colleges.

The trend is definitely not optimal, and I hope that all of the students and faculty members become aware of this and do something about it. Quite frankly, when I applied to the University, it was ranked 26th, and by the time that I was accepted, it was ranked 27th.

When I matriculated, it was ranked 28th. Now it is ranked 29th! When I graduate, I hope that I will still be able to find this school somewhere in the list of top schools nationwide.

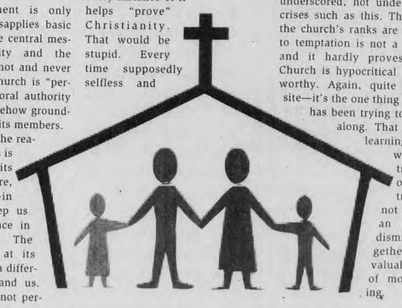
Catholic church scandals do not represent the church

By Michael Boland
Senior Writer

The Catholic Church's recent sex scandals have understandably caused some observers to turn away from the Church, and quite possibly the concept of organized religion altogether. At first glance, the entire affair seems to have undermined the Church's moral authority and threatened to out the Church as little more than a consortium of arrogant, self-righteous hypocrites. It has become a fearsome new arrow in the quiver of the Church's critics, and some have suggested that it calls into question the Church's right to speak aloud on moral issues. After all, if they can't keep their own moral house in order, then who are they to instruct the rest of us on what's right, what's wrong and how we ought to live?

But this argument is only appealing if one misapplies basic Church doctrine. The central message of Christianity and the Catholic Church, is not and never has been that the Church is "perfect," or that the moral authority of the Church is somehow grounded in the conduct of its members. Quite the opposite. The reason the Church exists is to communicate its message of who we are, and who God is—in other words, to keep us mindful of our "place in the universe." The Church's message, at its core, is that there is a difference between God and us. Unlike Him, we are not perfect and we never will be. We are fallible creatures, and unlike God, we are going to mess up and do bad things time and time again, not because we aren't trying hard enough, or because we haven't yet perfected the institutions that shape us—but because it's in our nature to do so. We can't help it. In the Church's model of the universe, the reason we need God (and a Church here on earth) is to help counter the predisposition of every single human being to wickedness.

You may agree with this doctrine and you may not. That is not really the point. The point is that this summer's scandals actually went a long way towards validating the Catholic worldview. That is not to say that naughty behavior by Church officials ought to be condoned and encouraged because every instance of it helps "prove" Christianity. That would be stupid. Every time supposedly selfless and "moral" people us (like a Catholic priest or bishop) prove themselves capable of the worst conceivable crimes, it lends more credibility to the principle of Christianity that "There is no one who does good; not even one."



A handful of members of the Church bureaucracy are guilty of some truly ghastly sins, unspeakable betrayals, which should probably disqualify them from further service. But in our rush to take easy swipes at a prominent institution, and in so doing make ourselves feel more righteous, the least we can do is not confuse the Church's message in the first place. They are not telling the world, "Do as we say because we are blameless." What they have said, and should continue to say as Christians, is, "Do as God says, not as we do."

The necessity of the Church is underscored, not undermined, by crises such as this. That some in the church's ranks are susceptible to temptation is not a new story, and it hardly proves that the Church is hypocritical or untrustworthy. Again, quite the opposite—it's the one thing the Church has been trying to tell us all along. That it may be learning the hard way the truth of its own doctrine should not be used as an excuse to dismiss it altogether as a valuable source of moral teaching.

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The sanctity of "toilet-time" vs. hourly Bucknell fire alarm evacuations.

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Rights aren't what you may think

By Tom Elliott
Senior Writer

"Yeah, release the beast from within, baptize gins/ Keep company with friends that repel sin/ I'm out to win, ain't no pretendin'/ F—k the First Amendment/ My speech was free the day that my soul descended/ Earthbound." These are lyrics from the group, Jurassic 5, and this particular verse happens to be one of the more intelligent things I've heard from a rap artist recently.

I believe it's MC Akil who is providing this thoughtful introspection. Akil's lyrics speak of something that warrants an overdue discussion: Where exactly do our rights come from?

The government cannot grant you rights. It cannot give you the right to housing, health care, a living wage, medicine or even the right to speak freely or own a gun. The only areas governments have proven effective are infringing our natural rights and, in every American's case, protecting the majority of them. Although, even in America, the government is frighteningly involved in significant amount of our lives.

Many seem to feel that our government gave us our rights. Akil knows better than that. The only thing our government—as well as any other—does, is take away rights. The fact is, every person on this earth was born free. God put us here, blessing each person with individual freedoms; most importantly, are those inalienable ones Thomas Jefferson spelled out in the Declaration of Independence—(life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness). If religion isn't your bag, then you probably believe that these inherent rights come from human nature, or simply being a citizen of this planet.

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Either way, the important question is whether or not you're born into a system that respects these rights. Luckily, our Constitution does a better job than most to protect our liberties. Confusion tends to arise from the Bill of Rights, which many seem to attribute our rights to. But if you take the time to read it carefully, you will notice that everything is written in the negative—Congress shall make no law abridging your right to this, that and some other things. The framers of the Constitution believed that it was their job to merely protect as many of these rights as possible.

If the government does—in all its celestial wisdom—bestow us a patient's bill of rights, an equal right or any other some such thing, keep in mind, whatever it gives, it can always take away.

The United Nations has informed us that medicine, clothing and housing are all "human rights." The irony of this is interesting, since governments that have declared to provide such social-equality type provisions tend to have citizens living in the world's worst conditions (e.g. Cuba). They may be poor and starving to death, but at least they'll smile when thinking of their great state-run health care access.

Governments all over are working on granting new rights every day. An article on rights proliferation by Chuck Todd noted some of the current "new" rights under consideration around the United States. Among these are: a children's bill of rights; a hunters' bill of rights; a teachers' bill of rights; students' religious bill of rights; a parents' bill of rights; and a voters' bill of rights.

In this era of modern political rhetoric, Americans are increasingly coming to understand that rights refer to things unintended—a right to air conditioning, prompt pizza delivery and even Internet access. Women's "reproductive rights" grant them the right to kill unborn babies. The "gay rights" movement seeks to allow an institution defined as the holy bond between a man and a woman, to be redefined. Naturally, it's their right to believe this nonsense, but it isn't the government's right to make it true.

New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg feels it's the government's duty to treat each New Yorker in the same manner a parent does their teenager, which should be embarrassing to his constituents. What I am referring to, of course, is another "new" right floating around America. From the beginning of time, man has been able to grow and smoke tobacco—but now, a person essentially has the right for another person to not smoke. Bloomberg wants to ban smoking in all bars and restaurants for fear that other patrons may not be able to fend for themselves and avoid the secondhand smoke.

One reason the University banned smoking in dorms because it was possible to have a non-smoking roommate. Of course, that person could always just request the other to go outside; but college isn't quite the real world. It's almost as if our parents were in charge. I only wish we had the right to be treated like adults.

Self-image greatly affects eating disorders

By Becca Susman
Writer

"What do you like to do for fun?" My women's literature professor posed this question last semester. The responses from my peers varied widely from reading to watching television to running. My professor shook her head sadly, commenting that not a single person had listed eating as something that they enjoy. The mere idea of food as something to enjoy had not even entered my sphere of thinking.

Growing up in Lewisburg, I watched as many people that I cared about succumbed to eating disorders, due in part to the misery of not "fitting in." This is a very simplistic explanation for a complex nature of the problem. There were, of course, many reasons for them to systematically starve and purge themselves, but the one theme that was constant throughout was the idea of beauty.

According to the Society for Eating Disorder Prevention, 91 percent of college women have attempted to control their weight by dieting, and according to *Time Magazine*, 80 percent of children started dieting by the time that they were in fourth-grade.

These statistics horrify me.

How is it that we equate thinness with beauty? We all know of the millions spent promoting fashions and beauty ideals, and we feel the bombardment of diet industry ads ($50 million a year) encouraging a particular body type. Ads continue to perpetuate these values through the choices they make as consumers simply fuel the diet industry. This industry today pilfers $50 million a year.

While I pride myself on being a non-conformist and not allowing society's stereotypes to influence my behavior, in reality this is impossible. I begrudgingly and shamefully admit that I am influenced by the body images from the various magazines in supermarkets to billboards to malls to images on television.

Are there possible alternative images? While studying abroad in Seville, Spain, last semester, I had a much-needed reprieve from American society.

While Spain does have its share of eating disorder problems, I found that the everyday images are dramatically different. In Spain, both women and men have relatively realistic body types and the overall diversity of actors seemed to me to be much greater.

I have heard that it is a common to gain weight while studying abroad in Europe, especially if living and eating with a family, and therefore is obligated to eat home-cooked food. Although I found this to be the case in my program, I also found that in my group, most of the women (there were very few men in the program) were relatively happy with their bodies and not overly concerned with their weight until two weeks just before returning to the United States.

The last two weeks marked a drastic change when many of the women. Most of the people I encountered went on crash diets and exercised excessively in order to shed the pounds acquired from our altered diets. One friend even confided if she did not lose weight before returning, she would resort to bulimia once at home.

This mentality reflects a fundamental weakness within our culture. If people are overwhelmingly more comfortable being heavier abroad than in the United States, our culture is in need of an immediate change.

How is it that the cultural cues through the millions of images in the United States keep their stranglehold on us even when abroad? Is it that we feel a higher loyalty to feeding money into the diet industry at home? Without this mentality, one more corporate giant would cease to exist. Can any of you honestly say that you know of anyone who does not have issues with his or her body? While I consider myself relatively comfortable in my own skin, at the same time, I cannot think of a single woman who does not have issues with her self-image.

Whether the root of these issues is internal or external, the result is the same. After a work-intensive summer last year, I returned to the University significantly smaller than when I left. The compliments that I received from friends and regular comments about my "new" body caused me to monitor my intake of food to an extreme extent. My friends are, for the most part, also people who consider themselves and their beauty standards outside of the mainstream culture. Yet we still unknowingly perpetuate the same standards.

Studying abroad afforded me a perspective on the American university system. Whether in a city-based, large university or a small university in rural Pennsylvania, the issues of self-image and self-hatred persist. Everyday interactions between peers have an enormous effect on the individual's self confidence and actions.

We, as a student body, have continually perpetuated the cycle of self-hatred that has become such an integral part of the University culture. Despite recent media attention to this problem, we continue to ignore the very real effect it has on each of us, and without dialogue it will continue to control our behavior.

Letters *to the editor*

Difficult to move forward

To the Editor:

In an article entitled "Zimbabwe must change its direction," *Bucknellian* business and politics editor comments on President Robert Mugabe's problematic land reform policies, and argues that Mugabe is a victim of false assumptions as he tragically attempts to turn back the clock of colonial history. Briefly citing the injustice of forced redistribution of land to the benefit of whites during the colonial period, the business editor states that, "The faulty assumption of Mugabe is that the Zimbabweans of European descent today share the same claims of superiority and colonial attitudes as their counterparts in the heyday of British expansionism."

The article then continues, "Mugabe must recognize that the ink is dry on the pages of colonial history and there is no way to erase the words. Instead of nostalgically looking back into the past and vainly searching for possible methods of reverting to a bygone era, one must acknowledge the present system and find viable ways for forward movement of all citizens."

Part of the problem with the article's analysis of the situation in Zimbabwe is that it speaks of past, present and future as though they are discrete categories rather than waypoints in a continuum. One can criticize aspects of Mugabe's land reform policies while simultaneously acknowledging the conundrum that his regime, like most post-colonial governments in the so-called Third World, seeks to escape. The fact is that it probably does not matter much to Mugabe or most black Zimbabweans that the Zimbabweans of European descent today do not share the claims of racial superiority their forebears did.

The point is that they possess the "lion share" of the best land in the country, and this fact is part of their inheritance from their white forebears. It is part of the legacy of colonial atrocity and injustice that has benefitted the descendants of colonial masters in formerly colonized countries all over the globe; it is part of the legacy that has disenfranchized the descendants of the colonized peoples all over the globe. What was atrocity in the past, achieved the status and sanction of legality under colonialism, and managed to maintain legality and respectability even after formal political decolonization.

Thus, the legacy of the colonial past still haunts the descendants of colonialism's "wretched of the earth." The colonial past informs the present, and proposes a bleak future for, in this case, the majority of black Zimbabweans. Thus, the ongoing conundrum is, "How do the formerly colonized and still disenfranchized prepare a future of justice and equity without reopening the historical scabs of past colonial injustice?"

Sincerely,
Glyne Griffith
Professor of English

Econ dept. justifies actions

To the Editor:

We must confess, the author of the recent *Bucknellian* article, "Economics department hypocritical towards Living Wage," is correct in arguing that we have failed as professors, although not in the way suggested in the article. Judging by the column, we have failed to instill in at least one of our majors the value of careful research and reasoned debate, as opposed to name-calling and invective.

It would have been helpful if the student had done some research before blasting the economics department for hiring students to help retrieve mail and newspapers, do copying and otherwise assist with work around the department. The writer implies in the article that we should use department funds to help pay for a living wage on campus instead of hiring students to work at various tasks in the department.

If the student had done any research, the author would have discovered that (1) we cannot use departmental funds to help give workers around campus a living wage (no matter how much some of us might want to do so), because it is expressly prohibited under University budgeting rules; (2) we try to offer employment to students who need the money whenever possible through work study and other student help programs (surely the author would not want to deny someone the opportunity to do this work); (3) that the economics department is not a monolithic group with one point of view, but a collection of people with varying viewpoints on the living wage issue and (4) that those of us who do support a living wage do in fact put our money where our mouth is by donating money to the living wage cause and by devoting our free time to fighting for a cause we see as just.

The debate over the living wage on campus is too important to be reduced to name-calling and diatribes. The quality of the lives of our workers is at stake, as is the way we choose to allocate resources at the University. That is what we should be discussing.

Sincerely,
Janet Knoedler
Geoff Schneider
Professors in the Department of Economics

Calendar to be reviewed

To the Editor:

Last week's letter from Mr. and Mrs. P.J. Del Giudice questioned the inclusion of only certain religious holidays in the on-line University Calendar. As chair of Bucknell's Calendar Council, I am grateful to have learned that the calendar's intent was not clear and that its listing of holidays likely can be improved.

The University Calendar is meant to help members of the Bucknell community schedule events thoughtfully, in part by listing the most important holidays of our largest religious groups. Thus, holidays occurring when the University is closed have not been included. But to check the appropriateness of which holidays are and are not listed, I have asked our Catholic, Jewish and University/Protestant chaplains to review the current version.

A much more extensive calendar of religious observances and holidays can be found on the Web at http://www.departments.bucknell.edu/chapel/holidays.shtm). This is distributed annually to every administrative office. The University does not cancel classes for any religious holidays, but our Chaplains' and Provost's offices regularly remind faculty of upcoming religious observances, and they urge faculty to be as flexible as possible with our students of different faiths.

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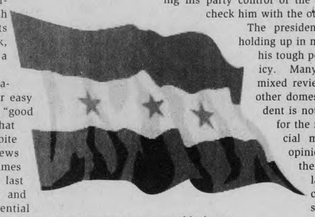
Opinions

The first test of autumn

By Mike Niebauer
Senior Writer

It seems the intentions of the president this fall is to use the "bully pulpit" to force a confrontation with Iraq. As Maureen Dowd of *The New York Times* in a weekend commentary states, the Bush family operates best in an atmosphere of foreign confrontation.

The first Bush administration used the military in Panama and Iraq and failed in many ways domestically. The economic performance of the first Bush presidency was its Achilles heel, so to speak, and led to his defeat for a second term.



The Bush confrontation mentality makes for easy analogies and a clear "good versus evil" pattern that plays well in the sound bite addicted television news cycles. How many times have we heard in the last year "the axis of evil" and "evildoers" in presidential speeches? It is explicitly clear that this president has found his foreign policy footing in September of last year.

Domestically, our economy is weakened and saddled with a stock market down 17 percent this year and billions of dollars of lost worth. The corporate scandals (Enron, WorldCom, Global Crossing) that have combined to undermine the confidence of small and large investors is endangering the now-fragile recovery from last fall's weakness and this summer's sell-off. The president was slow to recognize the severity or extent of the economic scandal or its political fallout.

Only after weeks of tepid reassurances did the president realize that it was more than just a few "bad corporate apples" and he had to increase funding to the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). By this time a huge amount of corporate bonds listed were considered "junk status." Conditions are so bad that Bush's initiative to invest a portion of Social Security invested in the stock market has been quietly forgotten even within the Republican Party.

With the beginning of autumn, the test of the congressional elections will begin to get some attention. The flag waving and patriotism has yet to increase the rate of voting in this country. Our choices seem to be whether to give affirmation to the president by giving his party control of the national legislature or check him with the other party.

The president's popularity is still holding up in most polls, mainly from his tough positions on foreign policy. Many are giving him very mixed reviews on economics and other domestic issues. The president is not yet getting the blame for the meltdown of the financial markets, but informed opinion is that the cost of the tax-cutting program of last year will have the country in deficit spending for the foreseeable future.

The democracy test is not whether we choose the Republicans, Democrats or third party choices, it is whether or not we can afford this White House's "guns and butter" economy. The last time we tried this it took two major recessions over 10 years to wring the hyperinflation out of the economy.

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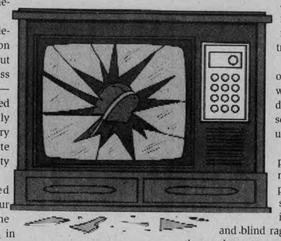
This president seems reluctant to ask us to sacrifice in these stressed times. His administration fought against fuel mileage legislation that would lessen our over-dependence on foreign oil imports from the Middle East. This would have shown the world that we would attempt to work toward alternative fuels and finally get off our oil addiction. Consumption seems to be the overall pre-election White House strategy. One wonders if this will change after this fall's election.

Real tragedy in real life

By Josh Fisher
Opinions Editor

Last Wednesday, I proclaimed my house downtown a "TV-free house" for the day, but my decree was quickly undermined when my roommates had the inane impulse to share their 8:46 a.m. minute of silence with the televised world.

I sat firmly in the kitchen crunching on my Cheerios loudly, unwilling to break my own minute of silence for worldwide victims of someone else's cause.



Now the maudlin celebration of 9/11 television events is almost over, but this trend with the mass media certainly continues—it has, after all, developed so steadily and persistently over the past half century that we have not quite woken up to the absurdity of it all.

Corporate-sponsored mental pollutants flood your brain every day, from the time your alarm sounds in the morning to the lurid glow of late-night television. In that same day 12 billion display ads, three million radio ads and more than 200,000 television commercials are pumped into the American collective unconscious.

This psychological subversion is almost impossible to escape, and it is no surprise that ordinary people feel the need to turn to the television for answers and clarity on 9/11's anniversary. There is certainly little doubt of the media's intent to leverage for their own interests the sentiments of gravity and maniacal patriotism culminating on this day in more rating-friendly footage of planes slamming into buildings and people falling to their deaths.

Perhaps it is appropriate to observe the anniversary of these horrific events in a manner similar to last year with a gigantic deluge of news coverage, corporate sponsors, special guests and endless tales of near misses.

But are we a society of people so completely detached from the natural world that we exist entrenched in television's fictitious and imaginative unreality?

In truth, most of us are fortunate enough to not know the horrible loss of a loved one, and we cannot beyond simple empathy. But Wednesday nevertheless offered us all the opportunity to reflect upon the future and past actions of humankind, to do more than wave a flag in the face of such an unbelievable tragedy.

Coming to an understanding of the violence and terror in the world certainly would not be so difficult if the coverage didn't seem like little more than an ultra-realistic action movie.

If we were really able to dispel this pervasive sense of numbness and disbelief, as a peaceful and compassionate society, we would not so willingly turn sorrow into bitterness and blind rage. Perhaps we would not feel the need to perpetuate unto innocent humans elsewhere the violence that the networks replay time and time again.

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In my reflecting and even in the absence of mass media's powerful grip for the day, a quote by the famous author Arthur Koestler came to mind: "If one looks with a cold eye at the mess man has made of his history, it is difficult to avoid the conclusion that he has been afflicted by some built-in mental disorder which drives him towards self-destruction."

But then again, there is indeed a whole other world beyond the one on the screen.

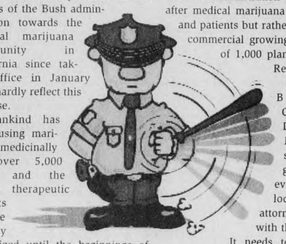
Medical marijuana raids defy reason and compassionate conservatism

By Tim Hinkle
Writer

Is it just me or has our president forgotten what it means to be a conservative? What, you decry? President George W. Bush not a conservative? Just hear me out.

During his campaign to become ruler of the United States, Bush, when asked about his stance on medical uses of marijuana, said that he believed it should be up to the states to decide.

Now, we generally don't hold our politicians to the trite lies they tell us on the campaign trail in order to get elected, but Bush's answer is patently conservative in that it reflects the traditional doctrine of state over federal control on many issues. So we might actually expect Bush to hold to this promise. But the actions of the Bush administration towards the medical marijuana community in California since taking office in January 2001 hardly reflect this promise.



Mankind has been using marijuana medicinally for over 5,000 years and the drug's therapeutic benefits were widely recognized until the beginnings of marijuana prohibition in 1937. These benefits include "pain relief particularly of neuropathic pain (pain from nerve damage)—nausea, spasticity, glaucoma and movement disorders. Marijuana is also a powerful appetite stimulant, specifically for patients suffering from HIV, the AIDS wasting syndrome or dementia."

Marijuana prohibition makes no exception for the medical use of marijuana. This all changed in 1996 when California voters passed Proposition 215 allowing doctors to prescribe marijuana to patients whom they believe would benefit from it. Since then, nine other states have passed laws allowing for the medical use of cannabis.

Still, federal laws have not budged on the issue, even after the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) ignored its own research, which found that marijuana's medical effectiveness and lack of serious health risks warranted a radical reevaluation of marijuana prohibition.

Under former President Bill Clinton, the federal government did not attempt to intrude on state law. But under Bush, an ultra-conservative president, the DEA and the FBI have trampled California state law and threw out past DEA guidelines for busting marijuana growing operations.

DEA Administrator Asa Hutchinson has repeatedly stated that his administration does not go after medical marijuana distributors and patients but rather large-scale commercial growing operations of 1,000 plants or more. Recently, the DEA raided Butte County's Diane Monson's six-plant garden, even after her local district attorney pleaded with them not to.

It needs to be made clear that this government harassment of a state- sponsored institution goes beyond the drug war fervor that our main political parties are so deeply entrenched in.

In an age where law enforcement is stretched thin by the pervasive threat of terrorism, why is our government wasting precious resources in raids like the one on Santa Cruz's Wo/Men's Alliance for Medical Marijuana (WAMM)? In the early hours of Sept. 5, dozens of assault rifle-toting federal agents broke into WAMM's collective garden, arresting founders Valerie and Michael Corral and tearing down 130 plants destined to relieve the suffering of dying American citizens.

This raid was not on a hardened criminal growing operation somehow funneling its funds to al-Qaida, but rather a group of 238 people all suffering from debilitating diseases, 80 percent of which are terminal. The club operated will full public disclosure and in complete compliance with local regulations.

"It's just absolutely loathsome to me that federal money, energy and staff time would be used to harass people like this," Vice Mayor Emily Reilly said. If you take into account that the Corrals were never even charged with a crime, you begin to see a pattern of federal harassment of the voter-approved medical marijuana system of California. With the concerns of terrorism and real drug problems like methamphetamines and heroin, why is Bush wasting our scarce and finite resources to go after AIDS patients and the people who help to relieve their suffering?

Is this what is meant by "compassionate conservatism"? The Bush administration gives a new definition to terrorism.

I hope that you are as appalled at the actions of our government against the sick and dying in the state of California as I am. Fortunately, there are some people who are working to combat this tyranny.

The Santa Cruz City Council has decided to show its support for the WAMM cooperative by organizing a medical pot giveaway at the Santa Cruz City Hall on Tuesday Sept. 17. You can write to your state representative expressing your outrage at this egregious act of federal interference in state matters and tell them to support HR 2592 or the States' Rights to Medical Marijuana Act.

Regardless of where you stand on this issue, the conflicts between federal and state law must be clarified because real people are suffering and being put in cages for using a potentially life saving medicine.

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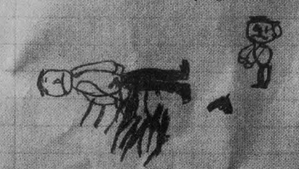

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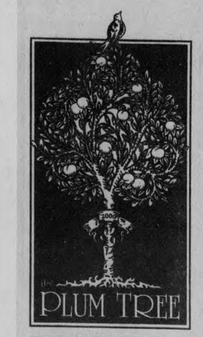

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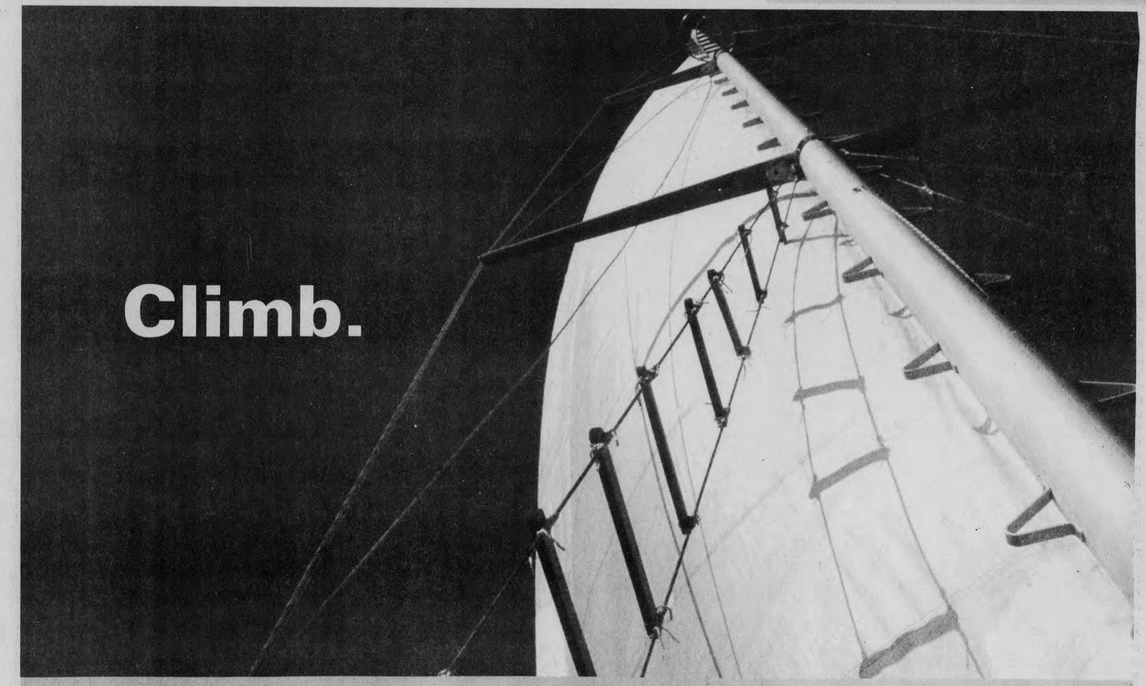

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Bush encourages General Assembly to back war

The president's speech calls doubtful members of U.S. Congress and the U.N. General Assembly to support a war in Iraq

By Charles Mitchell
Senior Writer

President George W. Bush presented a tersely worded speech to the United Nations General Assembly, urging it to support his administration's Iraq policy on Sept. 12, one day after the anniversary of the attacks on America. The speech was, according to observers, also directed at the U.S. Congress, which has not endorsed the president's push to topple Iraqi president Saddam Hussein's regime.

Responding to criticism that he had yet to "make the case" for an invasion of Iraq, Bush enumerated a litany of offenses the Hussein regime has committed against the international community and the Iraqi people. Minutes after U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan warned the United States not to act alone against Saddam, the American president listed U.N. resolution after resolution that the Iraqi dictator has violated.

Bush told the assembled delegates that they needed to enforce these resolutions and that, if they did not, the United States would. He claimed that if the United Nations stood by while Iraq defied its will, it would become irrelevant like its predecessor, the League of Nations.

The 25-minute speech was distinct from the president's Sept. 11 addresses in that it was interrupted by applause only once—when he announced that the United States would rejoin the U.N. Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization. Television cameras frequently panned to the Iraqi delegation, whose members did not look pleased, and to the American table, where the dovish Secretary of State Colin Powell was on hand.

Courtesy of Reuters

A news ticker in Times Square reports Bush's comments on Iraq. The president met with the U.N. General Assembly in New York on Sept. 12 to discuss monitoring weapons in Iraq.

Bush pointed out the promises Hussein made, and has subsequently broken, after being defeated in the 1991 Persian Gulf War by a United Nations-sponsored, United States.-led international coalition. He also emphasized the threat Hussein poses to the international community, by allegedly working to acquire chemical, biological and nuclear weapons, and to his own people, against many of whom he has not hesitated to use poisonous gas.

The president acknowledged that he did not have proof of Hussein's possession of nuclear weapons, but he said that "the first time we may be completely certain he has a nuclear weapon is when, God forbid, he uses one." Bush challenged his audience to aid in ensuring that day never comes.

Although polls show about two-thirds of Americans support a regime change in Iraq, experts forecast that Bush may have a tough sell on his hands on Capitol Hill, especially in the Democratic-controlled Senate.

House Majority Leader Dick Armey, a staunchly conservative Republican from Texas, has questioned the president's approach, as has Sen. Chuck Hagel (R-Neb.), a Vietnam veteran. Bush has said that he will ask Congress for approval for action against Iraq, but how much authority he is given—if any—depends very much on how forcefully he makes his case in the coming days and weeks. As he said in his speech, the Iraqi dictator has "days and weeks," not years and months, to comply with U.N. resolutions and his own previous promises.

Executive compensation scrutinized

Recent financial scandals spark investigation of several U.S. corporations

By Jim Leahy
Senior Writer

When a person is installed as a major executive at a U.S. corporation, he or she is entitled to many privileges. As this summer's financial scandals and other business problems have illustrated, sometimes those may include large compensation packages, corporate loans that might be forgiven, gifts and often large severance packages. The list of executives that received such job benefits is very long and now includes General Electric's (GE) retired CEO Jack Welch.

Welch directed GE until last September, ending a run at the helm of the company that began in 1982 (and employment at the company for a total of 41 years). Well-known as one of history's best CEOs, Welch oversaw the growth of GE as it became a company with over 300,000 employees and yearly revenues over $120 billion. Despite all this, there has been much debate over his now-public retirement package.

When his wife Jane Welch filed for divorce, the papers included many details of his retirement benefits. According to *The Washington Post* on Sept. 7, they included floor-level tickets to New York Knicks home games; a box at the Metropolitan Opera; a skybox at Fenway Park; a box behind the dugout at Yankee Stadium; VIP seating for Wimbledon, the U.S. Open and the French Open; country club dues and initiation fees at Augusta National. In addition, Welch will be able to use the company jets and have other expenses paid by the company.

According to TheStreet.com, the Securities and Exchange Commission has launched an informal inquiry into the agreements between GE and Welch. The announcement came one day after the company decided to restructure the retirement contract. Now, Welch will only receive an office and administrative staff. This is on top of his retirement pay.

Nevertheless, Welch is taking the offensive in telling the public about his contract and the decision to change it. In a Sept. 16 letter to *The Wall Street Journal*, Welch defended the company's actions:

"The world has changed during the past year. Reports of corporate malfeasance fill the media, as several companies and executives stand accused of betraying their shareholders ... perception matters ... I will pay the costs for my use of all other facilities and services provided by GE such as planes and the company apartment. There will be no cost to GE or its shareholders for my use of these services."

Despite all of this commotion surrounding Welch, he is not the only CEO to come under fire for his use of company resources. The two standouts are the Rigas family, which owns a controlling interest in Adelphia Communications, and former Tyco International CEO Dennis Kozlowski.

The Rigas family, according to *The Boston Globe*, used Adelphia as their personal piggy bank, citing that, "they took $241 million to pay off personal loans." They also "used Adelphia funds to buy a $13 million golf course near the company's Coudersport, Pa., headquarters, a Pennsylvania lumber operation and luxury condominiums in New York, Colorado and Mexico."

John Rigas and his sons, Michael and Timothy, were arrested in July on charges that include bank fraud, securities fraud, wire fraud and conspiracy. Their company had its stock removed from the NASDAQ and has since filed for bankruptcy.

Dennis Kozlowski has the best story of the summer. In June, he was arrested and indicted on charges of evading income taxes. According to *The New York Times*, Kozlowski saved $1 million on a $13 million art purchase. Further accusations against Kozlowski include getting personal loans from Tyco that were never repaid, mingling personal and corporate donations and other real estate transactions that were beneficial to him.

A report on TheStreet.com said Tyco also had a lenient employee loan program that Kozlowski accepted. "Tyco employees tapped the loan program to pay taxes on stock purchases and relocate to homes near the company's offices in Manhattan. Kozlowski, who was also indicted on sales tax-evasion charges in June, then waived his staff's responsibility to repay the loan," the report said.

High-profile lawyer David Boies, known most recently for his prosecution of the Microsoft Corporation, is leading the investigation of Kozlowski for Tyco. The company is looking for its money and it is suing Kozlowski and several other executives in order to retrieve the money. On Sept. 17, the company filed an 8-K with the SEC to disclose the findings of the investigation.

The report, available at http://www.sec.gov, details unauthorized interest-free loans to and by Kozlowski from Tyco that totaled more than $61 million. There were also loan forgiveness payments to Kozlowski that totaled almost $33 million, other bonus payments and a $445 pincushion for his Fifth Avenue apartment in New York City. The company is alleging that Kozlowski and other key executives took hundreds of millions of dollars during their tenure.

Executive compensation has long remained behind closed doors at most U.S. corporations. However, recent financial scandals have shed some light on how companies take care of their executives, both while they are employed and after they retire. Welch is only the latest CEO to come under fire. It remains to be seen how his case will come out, but the nature of compensation is changing across the business landscape.

Conservative challenger dances to far right in final days of German campaign

By Gretchen Schrock
Business and Politics Editor

A few musical notes remain to be played in the national election waltz. Edmund Stoiber, one of the principal performers, has miscalculated the rhythmic beats of the German public and has taken one extra step in order to compensate for his less than captivating political dancing.

Behind in the opinion polls regarding the national elections on Sunday, Stoiber, the Bavarian conservative challenger to Gerhard Schröder's Social Democratic government, has momentarily dazzled his audience with some audacious movements towards the right. The most notable of these campaign leaps was the assertion that the policies of the Schröder government were undermining national security and the economic health of Germany by allowing too many immigrants into the country.

The infamous choreographers of recent Austrian and French political spectacles must have taught Stoiber that the anti-immigration routine will captivate the judges and lead only to victory in the campaign dance competition.

B & P Commentary

Stoiber wants to abolish recently passed government reform designed to open Germany to qualified immigrants with needed skills. Furthermore, Stoiber desires the deportation of any foreigner sentenced to prison for more than two years and limits on the residence permits of immigrants on welfare.

Guenther Beckstein, Stoiber's spokesman on interior affairs and partner in campaign dancing, explained in a *Washington Post* article that a conservative government under Stoiber's leadership would crack down on the abuse of asylum ensuring that new immigrants contribute to the cost of integration and language courses.

Why does Stoiber believe that this right-leaning campaign platform will save his uninspiring performance from low scores by the voting judges? The average voter, in his view, is concerned about the economic implications of having 7.3 million foreigners already living inside German borders and four million unemployed Germans desperately seeking work. In other words, the issue of unemployment is simply caused by immigrants stealing decent jobs from hard-working, intelligent Germans.

"When there are more than four million jobless," Stoiber said, "then it is irresponsible to open up the job market to everyone."

The conservative belief that immigration means economic catastrophe for Germany if it welcomes such an occurrence is significantly flawed. According to Deustche Bank statistics obtained by *The New York Times*, Germany's population could fall from 82 million to 65 million in 50 years with the workforce shrinking by 27 percent to 30 million by 2040. A large decrease in the workforce, and in the population as a whole, might result in lowering productivity, declining exports, a smaller internal market and decreased government tax revenue, as well as slowed economic growth. Deutsche Bank suggests that allowing more immigration (about 500,000 immigrants a year) would be needed to prevent a serious decline in the working-age population and maintain the current economic prosperity.

One might also explore the possibility that immigrants are not denying Germany's unemployed citizens well-paying and rewarding jobs, but are instead fulfilling tasks that are unwanted and perceived as menial, yet essential, to the successful functioning of the economy. The average German may be overeducated or unwilling to perform these supposedly degrading jobs, preferring to remain unemployed. This situation also exists in the United States, where immigrants are assuming relatively low-wage, but economically necessary, positions because most Americans refuse to take them.

When the discerning judges of political artistry demanded an intricate ballet that included plausible steps for economic progress, Stoiber produced a fumbling jig of sorts. Rather than propose innovative solutions to the problem of German unemployment, like attracting new business or increasing labor flexibility, that would have evolved into a smash hit, he retreated to the consistently running, boring show of anti-immigration politics.

"It is a desperate attempt to find a topic with which one can arouse emotions, but I think the public will see through it," Schrödersaid in his labeling of the conservative strategy as a combination of "helplessness and aggressiveness," according to a *New York Times* article.

Will Stoiber's nationalist and anti-immigration agenda be persuasive enough to fill the required seats in his auditorium of supporters? One can only hope that the many advertisements of his erratic dance to the right will not be so enticing to German voters on Sunday that they buy tickets to his unoriginal show.

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Holy Cross tops Bison 1-0

The Bison dropped an overtime heartbreaker to division rival Holy Cross but rebounded to defeat No. 18 Pittsburgh 1-0

Monica McMurrer—*The Bucknellian*

Senior forward Nick Taylor tries to keep the ball in bounds.

By Tara Utchel
Senior Writer

The men's soccer team, despite a valiant effort, fell to Holy Cross on Saturday, Sept. 14. The match against the Crusaders was Bucknell's first Patriot League game of the season.

"I was disappointed in the result, but not in our effort. We went on the road and played well enough to win, but it just was not our day," Head Coach Brendan Nash said. "All Patriot League games are close games. Sometimes when you feel like you deserved to win, you do not. Saturday was a case of us just not getting the win."

The Bison dominated the game, but failed to capitalize on all their scoring chances. The Orange and Blue thought that they had clinched the win with senior Nick Taylor's goal with 20 seconds left in the match. The referee, however, called it back due to a push by Taylor. At the end of 90 minutes the game remained scoreless, sending it into overtime. Just over three minutes into overtime, the Crusader's Matt Ney volleyed a cross past Bucknell's goalkeeper, Adam Edwards '06, to steal the win.

"We played and deserved to win, but unfortunately the score did not show that," Elliot Maruffi-Cowley '03 said.

"We will definitely use that loss to motivate us for the rest of the season," Greg Buzzell '05 said.

The motivation was evident as Bucknell bounced back from the devastating loss against Holy Cross to beat 18th-ranked University of Pittsburgh this past Monday. The win goes down in the history books as the soccer program's third defeat over a nationally-ranked team. The second defeat was recorded in the 2000 season, after the Bison upset eighth-ranked South Carolina.

Both teams displayed sheer talent and almost professional soccer in the first half. The Bison wove the ball in and out of the Panther's squad, only to have Pitt reciprocate the Bison efforts. The play of the two teams proved to be indistinguishable, as both squads produced an ample amount of shots. Neither team could find a way to surmount the other's efforts. As a result, the first half remained scoreless.

The second half, however, was a different story. The Orange and Blue exploded out onto the field to start the remaining 45 minutes. The burning desire to win was evident in their energetic play, as the Bison's offense attacked the goal with a rapid-fire round.

One of those shots, just two minutes into the second half of the game, smacked off a Pitt defender who was called for a hand ball on the goal line. John Hemmert '05 took the penalty kick. The Panther's goalkeeper barely moved, as Hemmert rifled the ball into the upper 90 of the goal.

For the remainder of the game, the Bison protected their lead with everything that they had. The men were sacrificing their bodies to prevent the ball from crossing the goal line. Alex Far '05 and the rest of the defense executed diving headers to clear the ball out of the box.

Bucknell (OT)	0
Holy Cross	1

The offensive effort was identical to the defense, as they continued to charge the net. In the end, Bucknell's fervor shut out nationally-ranked Pittsburgh 1-0.

"Pitt was ranked second in our region and 18th nationally. It was a great feeling to beat a nationally-ranked program. We definitely deserved to win, but we still have more work to do to get ready for everyone else," Buzzell said.

The Bison match up with Colgate on Saturday, Sept. 21 for their second Patriot League game of the season. The game will be played at home on the West Fields at 2 p.m.

Monica McMurrer—*The Bucknellian*

The victory over Pittsburgh is only the Bison's third victory over a nationally-ranked program since 1974.

Football squad travels to Calif.

By Cory Nadler
Senior Writer

The Bucknell football team lost its second straight game in a devastating 23-22 double overtime loss to St. Mary's in California on Saturday. This was the Gaels' first victory in four games against the Bison.

The Bison found themselves down early again this week. After both teams traded punts, the Gaels were able to put the ball in the end zone at the end of the first quarter. After a six-play, 49-yard drive, St. Mary's took a 7-0 lead with 3:21 remaining in the first period.

On their first possession of the second quarter, Bison quarterback Todd Wenrich '03, was sacked in the end zone for a safety. The Gaels held on to their 9-0 lead until the middle of the period. Following a fumble recovery by Peter Christathakis '03, the Bison moved the ball into St. Mary's territory, and Chris Lundberg '03 hit the first of his

Bucknell	22
St. Mary	23

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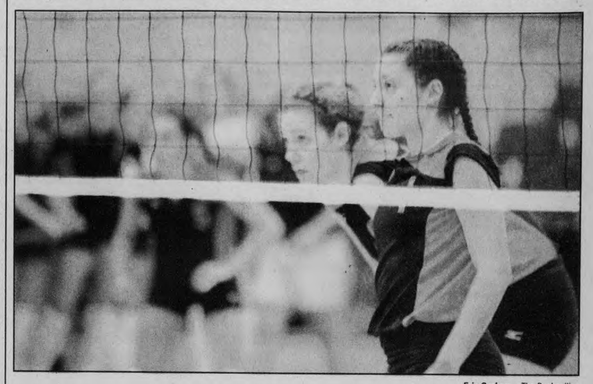
Volleyball evens record at 5-5

Trapasso twins dominate, lead team at Bull Run Inn-vitational



Eric Graham—*The Bucknellian*

Junior Breean Trapasso and sophomore Jennifer Bissett were completely focused in their win against Quinnipiac.

By Brent Butler
Sports Editor

After an impressive effort in the Bull Run Inn-vitational, the Bison women's volleyball team is poised to begin the Patriot League season with a solid record of 5-5.

The Bison reached the .500 mark in the tournament due to the exceptional play from Breean Trapasso '04, Jennifer Wrigley '03, Brandi Trapasso '04 and Chelsea Anderson '06.

Bucknell did not walk away with the tournament title, but the ladies is still quite proud of its showing.

"Overall I'm pleased with our efforts this weekend. We saw great leadership and aggressiveness from our upperclassmen and we feel that playing strong competition early in the season will better prepare us for our Patriot League opponents," Head Coach Cindy Opalski said.

Bucknell	1
U. of Albany	3

In the first match, Bucknell fell to the University at Albany in four games. The Bison lost the first game 30-14 and came out strong in the second game, but they ultimately fell short, losing a close 30-28. The Bison were victorious in the third game with a 30-22 win, but were unable to win the fourth game of the evening.

On Saturday, the Bison started the day off with a 3-0 win over Quinnipiac. Bucknell won 30-24, 30-22 and 30-24. The Bison had outstanding play from Brandi Trapasso,

Bucknell	3
Quinnipiac	0

See VOLLEYBALL page B4.

Bison defense dominates again

Sacred Heart fails to score and the Bison record fourth shutout, securing the Governor's Cup Tournament win

By Dave Cohen
Senior Writer

The Bucknell women's soccer team claimed first place at the Governor's Cup Tournament, which began on Sept. 14 at the University of Albany. It was the defense once again that proved to be a staple for the Bison, who did not allow a goal all weekend long. The team has tallied a total of four shutouts this season over a span of six games.

On Sept. 14, Bucknell attempted eight shots and connected on one, which was all the squad needed against Sacred Heart. Tara Utchel '03 proved to be the offensive hero for the day by scoring the lone goal, which was unassisted at the 48:22 mark of the second half. According to Utchel, the offense has been quite appreciative of the defense, allowing minimal offensive production to be sufficient. She also feels there are plenty of viable scoring options on the team and that the pressure does not lie on her.

Bucknell	1
Sacred Heart	0

"Our defense is solid, but we have a problem of scoring this year," Utchel said. "We have been practicing going to the net hard at practice, but it has been a struggle. It is nice to know that one goal can be enough though. I don't feel pressure to provide the offense, but I am responsible for pumping the team up and getting us ready to play. I am not the only person who can score. We don't rely on one person, we just create opportunities and people are stepping up."

Goalie Laurie Purse '03, who scored her first career goal last week against Howard, began her outstanding weekend by saving six for the game. She credits the team's defense and the defensive players' work ethic for her success.

"The defense was really strong and consistent this weekend," Purse said. "They never let down. I felt like this was one of my better weekends. When I see my teammates work really hard at the top, it inspires me to make sure that I do whatever it takes to stop the ball."

On Sept. 15, Purse led the Bison to victory once again with her third shutout of the week. It was the defense that again proved its prowess against Long Island, as it allowed Purse to face just eight shots from the opponent. Purse saved four of them, two of which were crucial.

> *"[The defense] never let down. I felt like this was one of my better weekends. When I see my teammates work really hard at the top it inspires me to make sure that I do whatever it takes to stop the ball."*
> *—Laurie Purse '03*

The only goal of the afternoon was unassisted and knocked in by Meaghan Ferris '06, 22 minutes into the game. She was amazed that she was able to provide the ultimate game winning goal, considering it was her first game playing midfield.

"I was really shocked," Ferris said. "It was really exciting. I played midfield for the first time Sunday and I didn't expect to score. I knew that I could play the position because I played it prior to college, but I never expected to play the position in college. I have more confidence now than I did before the game."

The Bison, who were victorious by the score of 1-0, captured the tournament title with the victory. The Orange and Blue have knocked off two 2001 conference champions so far this season, Sacred Heart last weekend and Marist on Sept. 8. The team improved to 5-1, 0-0 after capturing the weekend championship.

Matt Vanaskie —*The Bucknellian*

During last weeks game sophomore Alison Cooper helped control the tempo and kept Marist scoreless in their 1-0 victory.

Sports

Justin McCarthy
Senior Writer

NFL Predictions

This column is dedicated to SuperFan No. 5…yeah that's you Birds Fan!

St. Louis (0-2) at Tampa Bay (1-1)

The slow start by the Rams is probably the biggest surprise of this season and everyone's asking, "Have teams finally figured out how to stop the once-potent Rams offense?" Tampa Bay's defense is certainly strong, which does not look good for St. Louis. But Tampa Bay did not score an offensive touchdown last week, a luxury they won't be able to afford even against this Rams defense. The Rams offense is due for a breakout game, so I'm picking Faulk & Co.

Buffalo (1-1) at Denver (2-0)

Each of Buffalo's first two games have gone into overtime, while the Broncos have beaten two of last season's best offensive teams easily. The Broncos defense has been particularly strong, and best of all Griese seems to have settled down finally. The Bills defense will be severely tested … and ultimately beaten this week. The Broncos, without a doubt, have the best group of running backs in the league and that will be the major deciding factor in Denver's victory.

San Diego (2-0) at Arizona (1-1)

Granted the Chargers have been blessed with an easy early season schedule, but they have utterly dominated their opponents and are the only team to not give up a touchdown yet this season. Finally, San Diego has found some offensive power to compliment its strong defense. Brees is playing fantastic under Flutie's tutelage and Tomlinson has picked up where he left off. The Cardinals' offensive line needs to be ready for a Chargers defense that has racked up 13 sacks in two games. No matter what, Arizona is going to start 0-1 at home this season.

Green Bay (1-1) at Detroit (0-2)

Detroit is the worst team in every possible category, amassing a total of 379 yards on offense in two games. Drew Bledsoe passed for 460 against Minnesota this week. Furthermore, the defense has allowed an average of 40 points a game. This is great news for Favre and the Packers, considering their own lackluster defense. However, they still have one of the better offenses in the league. Cheese Heads should enjoy watching a rout as Detroit drops its third in a row.

Washington (1-1) at San Francisco (1-1)

This game pits two open air passing attack teams against one other. The 49ers look nothing like the Super Bowl contenders they were thought to be, although they have played two very tough defensive teams. The Redskins offense was dominated last Monday night. Maybe Washington's best offensive strategy would be to turn to Davis and the running game to lead them. Niners will win this one pretty easily.

Men place first at Army

Cecily Cairns—The Bucknellian

At the Penn State's Spiked Shoe Meet the men's team finished third out of a total of 20 teams, while the women came in second out of 17 teams.

By Ashley Hall
Writer

The Bison cross country teams competed in the Army Invitational at West Point, N.Y., on Sept.14 The men's team finished first ahead of Cornell and Patriot League foes Army. The women's team crossed the finish line in third place.

The men's team entered 22 members in the meet. Bucknell put four men in the top 10 by sweeping the top three positions and claiming the 10th. Greg Costello '03 finished first with a time of 26 minutes, 18 seconds followed by Bryan Johnston '03 and Nick Mousetis '04, who were within a second of each other at 26:25.00 and 26:26.00. Wes Reinhardt '04 finished 10th with a time of 27:00.00, with Stephen Schaefer '04 directly behind at 27:01.00.

"I was very pleased with the outcome of the meet at Army," Johnston said. "Anytime your team can take the top three places in a meet against good competition, you can't help but feel reassurance that your training is taking you to the level you need to be."

"I think beating Army on their home course gave our team a good confidence boost and showed us that we do have the talent to be the Patriot League Champions this year. However, Patriots are far away and we can't let up at all," Johnston said. "Army always has a solid team at the league meet and American University will also be thrown into the mix. We still have some work to do as a team, but I look forward to a very competitive race come Nov. 2."

"We're all real excited about the rest of the season. Most of our runners from last year have returned, so we have a lot more depth and experience," Reinhardt said. "Overall, I think we're a stronger, better team than at this point last season."

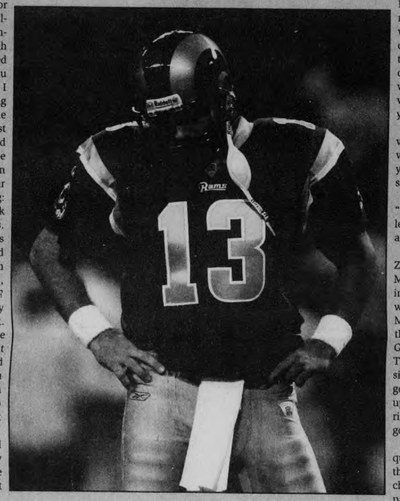
The women's team fell behind first-place Cornell and followed Army by only three points. Theresa Dennis '03 placed third overall with a time of 23:34.00 for the women's 6K course. Still in the top 10 was Kayla Halloran '06 who finished with a time of 24:04.00. Alison Cole '06 came in 11th with a time of 24:06.00. There were 18 runners for the Bison women.

"It's been a blast so far this season," Halloran said. "I think if we keep up the training we are doing then we can definitely beat Army come November."

In two weeks, both teams will split their squads to travel to the Great American Cross Country Classic on Sept.27 and the Messiah College Invitational on Sept. 28.

Scott Kloss
Senior Writer

How the mighty have fallen



Courtesy of Reuters

Warner and the Rams are off to a rough start, going 0-4 in the preseason and starting the regular season 0-2.

So you were studying for that chemistry test or pulling an all-nighter watching a movie with that special someone. You missed out on the week in sports and you don't know what to do! Fear not, I have the answers to your burning questions! I'll dig into some of the more interesting events of the past week in the world of sports. And ladies, especially, read my article, use some of these topics in conversation with an "interest" and watch your love life increase fourfold! Warning: Results may vary. Let's take a look back at what was the week in sports.

To the gridiron! A few weeks back, I predicted that the Rams would win the Super Bowl this year. I'm still sticking with my initial analysis, but have you seen the Rams of late? Starting off this season 0-2, many questions have been raised in St. Louis. Arguably the most explosive team in all of football, the current Rams on-the-field production should receive a "G" rating on the big screen thus far. Kurt Warner's game can best be described as the antithesis to the music group *NSync, say, Out Sync!

"[The Rams] have issues, but I don't expect them to last. Once they get it right, they will be explosive again. And they still have the best personnel in the NFL," said Sean Salisbury, a writer for ESPN.com.

Since the leader of a football team is a quarterback, if he is not pulling his weight the team will falter. Just look at the Dallas Cowboys and quarterback Quincy Carter. In the first game of the season, Quincy throws multiple interceptions and the 'Boys lose to an expansion team. The next week he follows with two touchdown passes to lead the Cowboys against a tough Titans team.

Bringing it back to St. Louis, I remind you that the Rams went 0-4 in the preseason, so they haven't seen a win since wintertime. The Rams need to get back to their bread and butter plays of handing the ball off to Marshall Faulk. Averaging only 22 carries a game when shades of the mid-30s were not inconceivable a year prior, Faulk needs a more prominent role.

You've all seen those Campbell's soups commercials with the pro-football players advertising, right? Well, last year Kurt Warner and Terrell Davis, running back for the Broncos, both had their own commercials. The former has looked shaky of late and the latter retired due to injuries. Which leads to the question, what exactly do "they" put in Campbell's soup anyway?

Let's turn our attention to a lady that has all the right moves on and off the tennis court! Anna Kournikova is a tennis player who gets newsprint even when she fails to win a tournament (as in last week's loss in the Shanghai Open). Just why is that? I have no idea, but for some reason she made it into another newspaper!

Penn State football is back! Last Saturday the Nittany Lions demolished a solid seventh-ranked Nebraska team 40-7. In front of a record crowd of 110,753, and more watching on television, Joe Paterno orchestrated a brilliant game plan that had the Cornhuskers dazed and confused all night. Leading the way was wide receiver Bryant Johnson, who had eight receptions for 147 yards.

"I'm not the smartest guy in the world, but I'm smart enough to know when you've got a kid like Robinson, you put him in the game," Paterno said.

I think Joe is underestimating his "know-how." With 329 career college football wins, Joe is No. 1 on the all-time wins list.

Moving right along! Zoom Zoom Zoom … 27 year-old American Tim Montgomery broke the world record in the 100-meter dash this past week with a chilling 9.78-second run. Montgomery's time was .001 faster than previous record holder Maurice Greene. With this latest achievement Tim has mentioned that he has his sights set on a new, more challenging goal of simulating being on time to an uphill class from downhill campus right here at the University! It's so good to be in Roberts.

On a somber note, hall-of-fame quarterback Johnny Unitas, who led the Baltimore Colts to three NFL championships in the 50s to 70s, has passed away at the age of 69.

"He was mythic," Paul Tagliabue, commissioner of football said. "He symbolizes football and, more importantly, he symbolizes leadership."

Unitas's resume included 22 NFL passing records, MVP honors three times and selection for the Pro Bowl 10 times.

As this article nears its conclusion, we retire with 40-year-old Patrick Ewing and his official announcement of to end his illustrious career in the NBA. Retiring after 17 seasons, 15 of which he stirred up the New York Knicks' crowd (Spike Lee included), Ewing might be best remembered by the one achievement that was too elusive to find—a championship ring. Alas, I don't buy into that "hoopla" and I, for one, will stick up for the guy. If I learned anything from sports it's that one person does not make a team. It hasn't before, won't be in my lifetime and beyond. Ewing can't be held accountable for a lackluster team. He accumulated 24,815 points and 11,606 rebounds, which should solidify his hall of fame position.

"It's time to move on. It was a great ride," Ewing said.

Move on he has, with Ewing now joining forces with longtime opponent Michael Jordan on with the Washington Wizards as an assistant coach.

Class dismissed, go out and play!

TRIVIA

By Justin McCarthy

1. Which QB holds the record for most consecutive games with a TD pass?
2. Which two NFL head coaches have had the most seasons losing their season opener and still making the playoffs?
3. Which MLB player holds the record for most leadoff HRs in a single season?

1. Johnny Unitas; 47 games from 1956-1960;
2. Don Shula & Bill Cowher; 5 seasons;
3. Brady Anderson; 12 HRs in 1996

Bucknell Bison™ Statistics

Cross Country
Army Invitational
Men's *1st*
Notables: 1. Costello
2. Johnston
3. Mousetis
Women's *3rd*
Notables: 3. Dennis
10. Halloran

Football
Bucknell 22
St. Mary's (Calif.) 23(2OT)
Passing: Wenrich 12-20-0-181, Ciesnolevicz 4-9-2-31
Rushing: Sarnor 13-42, Brinson 15-37

Soccer
Men's
Bucknell 1
Pittsburg 0
Goals: Hemmert
Saves: Edwards 6

Women's
Bucknell 1
Long Island 0
Goals: Ferris
Saves: Purse 4

Bucknell 0
St. Josephs PA 2
Saves: Purse 2

Field Hockey
Bucknell 2
Columbia 1(2OT)
Goals: Boynton, Nilsen
Assists: O'Brien
Saves: Wettergreen 4

Volleyball
Bucknell 3
Quinnipiac 0
(30-24, 30-22, 30-24)

Bucknell 1
LaSalle 3
(28-30, 30-25, 30-19, 30-28)

Men's Water Polo
Bucknell 9
St. Francis 11

Bucknell 12
Merchant Marine 9

Bucknell Bison™ Calendar

Volleyball
vs. Morgan State
Saturday, Sept. 21
11 a.m.

Men's Soccer
vs. Niagara
Tuesday, Sep.24
4 p.m.

Volleyball
vs. Central Conn
Saturday, Sept. 21
3:30 p.m.

Men's Soccer
vs. Colgate
Saturday, Sept. 21
2 p.m.

Volleyball
vs. LaSalle
Saturday, Sept. 14
4 p.m.

Field Hockey
vs. La Salle
Mods fields
Tuesday, Sept. 24
12 p.m.

Sports Ops

Cecily Cairns Classic Corner

Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

A tribute to a departed friend: Johnny Unitas

It didn't take me long to decide what I ought to write this week's column about. I knew it as soon as I saw the news emblazoned upon its little gray text box, snuggled in the upper right-hand corner of ESPN.com's front page, right below the vexatious flashing advertisement that graces the Web site in one form or another every day. Johnny Unitas had died of a heart attack. The 69-year-old legend had been working out at a physical therapy center near Baltimore and, just like that, he was gone.

Almost as fast as "Johnny U" had departed, the sportswriters saw to it that he was given a send-off befitting a king—he was, after all, a king. Wielding their most potent superlatives, their most eloquent goodbyes and their artillery of anecdotes, columnists from sports publications all around the nation penned off a daunting slew of personal eulogies for the gutsy quarterback.

By now it seems as though there is little I can say that hasn't already been said. After all, I don't really have the historical authority to express the significance of this star's departure.

Courtesy of Reuters

The NFL and its enthusiasts are mourning the death of Johnny Unitas.

I wasn't around in 1955 when the Pittsburgh Steelers selected a scrawny quarterback from Louisville in the ninth round, or when they sent him packing before he even had a chance to throw a pass in exhibition play. I wasn't there to doubt the Baltimore Colts when they took a gamble on this kid, who everyone else had said was not big enough, not smart enough and not quick enough.

I can't sit back and chuckle about memories of his first two plays as a starting quarterback—an interception that came all the way back for a score and a bungled handoff that was recovered by the opponent.

I can't fairly reflect on his mindboggling streak of 47 straight games with a touchdown pass; I've never even seen anything close to it.

I wasn't parked in front of a little black-and-white television in 1958 when "Mr. Football" led his Colts on a two-minute, 73-yard journey that set up the NFL's first sudden-death overtime, or when he marched his gang downfield again to win that game, which would be anointed as "the greatest game ever played." Nor was I there in the twilight of his career, when he desperately conjured up the same magic—albeit futilely—as he subbed for Earl Morrell in the late minutes of Super Bowl III and led the Colts on their only scoring drive.

I never got to see the way he stoically neglected to heed the deluge of injuries and battle scars that constantly bestrode his accomplishments.

I thought at one point that it would be safe to assume that everything I know about Unitas, I know from other people's stories, from ESPN Classic or from NFL Films. But perhaps that isn't entirely true. I am fortunate enough to have one firsthand memory of Unitas—one miniscule, fleeting moment in his incredible lifetime.

It was at the 1999 Philadelphia SportsFest, a massive exposition for sports card dealers and memorabilia enthusiasts that the city used to host every year. Unitas headed an impressive roster of autograph guests and for $45, I bought an 8-by-10 and a ticket that would allow me to wait in line for an hour to get the chance to stand in front of a legend and watch him sign his name across the photo.

When my weary legs finally neared the front of the line, I could see Unitas above the heads of the grappling crowd in front of me. The table he was seated at was positioned way above the eye level of those standing below, like a pedestal. He'd take a jersey or a football, sign it and then pass it back to the proud ticket-holder below.

He wasn't really the "Johnny U" I had expected. I don't know why, but part of me thought I'd see the same guy that was pictured in my photo—same crew cut, black high tops and youthful athleticism. It never occurred to me that guys like that got old. But it was clear to me that time hadn't touched the great presence he had.

He smiled at me, reached down and took my photo, signed it and then handed it back. I was too awestruck to do anything but smile back meekly and say thank you. It was just one of the probably infinite number of thank yous that he heard in his 69 years, but perhaps it's just something that can't be said enough.

So I'll throw this memory, this tribute, into the vast compilation of eulogies and nostalgic laments of his passing. Maybe I'm not as wise, or as experienced, or as elegantly profound as the minions of writers who can boast a real historical appreciation of sports, but I can still say thank you.

Thank you for the autograph. Thank you for the smile. Thank you for the highlights I've seen on NFL Films, the stories I've read and the impact I know you've had on every football game I've ever watched and every quarterback I've ever loved.

Thanks, Johnny, for making this sport everything it is supposed to be.

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Andrea Dill
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Deconstructing "the fan"

To all of the baseball fans whose teams rarely have successful seasons, I say, "Let's go Yankees!" To all of the snobby fans who think people have to prove themselves deserving of fan status, I say, "Let's go Yankees!" Yes, that's right; I have the same retort for everyone who feels the need to squash enthusiasts of America's national pastime. My chorus will not change because, well, Yanks rule and Fanists, those elitist haters of bandwagon fans, drool.

Fanists think trivia determines fan status—know the ERA of your team's pitcher or be gone. If you don't know about trades before they happen, you need not apply. You're no Fanist unless you've missed a morning class because you were up late trading for your fantasy baseball team. Fanists bring an unparalleled fervor to Fandom, and Yankee fans are often the target of their pent-up aggression.

The Yankees and their fans are the epitome of everything Fanists hate, though you don't have to be a Fanist to dislike the Yanks. The argument goes that the Yankees buy World Series rings with the biggest payroll in the league. Yet the archrival Red Sox have the next highest payroll and can't seem to come in first. Ditto the Orioles, who have had two disastrous seasons in spite of an outrageously high-paid squad.

What critics overlook is that Yankee management has one of the best minor-league systems in baseball. They groom excellent players in their farm system who either eventually play for them or serve as trading chips. Success breeds high attendance, unless you live in Montreal, which means Yankee profits. Nonetheless, the Yanks' competitive advantage in the payroll race does not ensure wins. It takes more than money to create a World Series-caliber team, though that doesn't stop the Fanists from complaining. Know what I say? "Let's go Yankees!"

When the Patriots celebrated their Super Bowl win, one player chanted, "The Yankees suck," to the crowd's delight. Instead of screaming, "The Pats Rule," he incited fans with the anti-Yankee mantra of perennial losers. Get a life. Fanists target Yankee fans because their team wins. Fanists are a jealous group, easily annoyed by a population of mostly loud New Yorkers bragging about their team's standings. Many Fanists and fans cheered on Arizona during the 2001 World Series, bonding over a common Yankee hatred. America likes to root for the underdog.

The problem with Fanists criticizing bandwagon fans among us is that they're leeching some of baseball's fun. Baseball is a game; treat it as such. Sleep with pictures of Bob Costas under your pillows, Fanists, but don't complain when the average fan noshes on 6-dollar Cracker Jacks instead of calculating changes in batting averages between innings. Don't degrade or stifle the joy of the everyman fan. What's most important should be that there are people who care about watching professionals play ball. It takes all types of fans to support the game.

Rachel Laskow—The Bucknellian

Fanists think they top Fandom's social order, followed by fans and then the bandwagon fans, who cheer around September when the season is heating up and the World Series is in sight. Yankee fans are a Fandom subset just above these odious fair-weather fans, revered among their ranks, yet blacklisted by the other fan groups. Yankee fans can't help payroll inequity. Don't condemn Yankee fans because their team actually wins.

No one echelon of Fandom is wrong. Yearlong baseball addicts may look down upon bandwagon fans; however, without investment in any particular team, it can be fun to root for the winning team, the home team or the team with the snazziest uniform. Netted down, the sole requisite for being a fan is enthusiasm, of which Yankee fans have all degrees.

Don't get me wrong—I'm not an anti-Fanist. Relish in your place atop Fandom's hierarchical system of who's the biggest geek of arcane statistics. I'm saying that Fanists should acknowledge the legitimacy of other strata. Live merrily by your ridiculous Fanist Rules of Engagement and, by all means, root for the Yankees. Whatever you do, don't use your Fandom zeal to suppress those down below. There are more of us and we can be louder and more obnoxious, especially if we're New Yorkers.

There are larger problems in baseball than fan squabbling though. This year, the All-Star Game ended in a tie because both teams ran out of pitchers. Even Fanists would probably admit that baseball repeatedly proves it doesn't care about the everyday people who make its payroll possible. Constant fear of a World Series-threatening strike marred this season. The owners and players showed little respect for the game or the fans before their last-minute settlement. With the integral players of this drama so insensitive to fans' desires, perhaps we should band together in our love for the game.

Whereas strikes turn fans off baseball, the Yankees bring fans together. The famous pinstripes bind not only fans, but also the haters of all things Yankee. I respect the hatred factor in the life of a fan. In fact, defining the line between a bandwagon cheerleader and a true fan is hatred for the team that threatens your team's place in the standings. Perhaps in the face of such an unresponsive anti-fan force as the owners of major-league baseball, it's our duty as fans and Fanists alike to support everyone's right to cheer. Fanists, lighten up on the ranks—even bandwagon fans hate the Yankees. And fans, give Yankees fans a break—after all, we had a rough season last year. Until that baseball utopia comes to fruition, I say, "Let's go Yankees!"

Aaron DeRosa
Sports Editor

Being "the fan"

This commentary goes out to all baseball fans whose teams rarely, if ever, have successful seasons. I say to you, "Let's go Mets!" To all of the snobby "baseball" fans out there who think people have to root for a winning team in order to be psychologically content or to feel like their sexual organs are massive, I say unto you, "Let's go Mets!"

Perhaps I've revealed too much, but I am unabashedly and unapologetically a diehard supporter of really, really crappy teams. I am a front-row fan of perennial losers like the Chicago Bulls, the New York Mets, major-league soccer and Dwayne Wayne from "A Different World" who never got his schwerve back after Lisa Bonet gave him the cold shoulder.

I stand on other people's shoulders and shout, "LET'S GO ROYALS!" I cite obscure statistics about my team to prove I am a true fan. I'm not just the one who breaks the news story about the latest trade to all my friends, I'm the one who breaks that story to ESPN analysts.

I am impressed by teams who defy expectations a la the Minnesota Twins, the 2001 Seattle Mariners, the New England Patriots and the Oakland A's. I am a fan of 1-0 pitcher duels. I am a fan of spectacular finishes, winning streaks and pennant races with no wildcard. I am a fan of dynasties such as the 49ers, the Lakers and the Yankees; it gives others something to shoot for (or at, during hunting season).

But it always shocks me how quickly victory can go to some people's heads. You're victorious and all of a sudden you feel everyone's gunning for you. Well what did you think was going to happen; an enchanted Shangri-La of sugar coated gumdrops and marmalade tributaries? No, your victory pissed off a lot of people who wanted their teams to win … enjoy the day and settle down, Mrs. Potts, because this argument is a two-way street.

As much as losers goad the winners, the reverse is true as well. You'll never see a Lakers/Yankees fan nod at the end of the game and walk silently to their car. And that's OK because it all balances out. One hoot and/or holler is the equivalent of a pathetic "well the ump was biased" snipe.

When you root for a crappy team, it's hard because all of a sudden you're not allowed to talk sports. If you dare to commit the social faux pas of commenting on someone else's team, you'll get the inevitable "yeah, well what's your team's record?" line like some Pavlovian insult-pellet dispenser.

These trained malcontent simians are pathetic in that they have neither real allegiance nor a modicum of integrity. They are content assaulting a person's character rather than his or her argument. They shoot first and don't care to ask questions because *they're not going to listen anyway, because quite frankly, they can't understand.*

And it's hard for fans of crappy teams because they've usually lived their whole lives rooting for that crappy team and will probably die rooting for that crappy team and they have yet to experience the unbridled orgasm of victory like the slack-jawed, addle-pated bandwagoneers who are inevitably the most vocal and malicious fans after a victory because they feel the need to overcompensate.

To those bandwagoneers I sound my barbaric yawp, "Let's go Mets!" I stand for something bigger. I stand for good baseball and healthy rivalries. I stand for intelligent commentary and informed opinions. What do you stand for? You are a commercialized, mass-marketed, cross-sectional subgroup. You are a statistical random sampling thunbtacked on the corkboard at Steinbrenner central. You are the poster-buying-child of corporate enterprise and a shill for the bobble-head industry.

I don't condemn the Yankees for their success. I don't condemn Yankee fans for the Yankees' success. I simply enjoy hopping on the eternal bandwagon of argumentation and fan-bashing. I will dig at you and you will dig at me. Do you think I don't see your face when I say I'm a Mets fan and you give me that queer, sidelong glance like I've just had a testicle removed or broke wind during an Opera's decrescendo? Just don't expect me to dance a jig and compliment your impeccable fashion sense when you come dressed like Spike Lee on amphetamines.

I'm not here to play the part of ombudsman, I have no qualms in relating my bias. I find people who jump on bandwagons to be inexpressive and droll. I understand that their existence is necessary for the perpetuation of the sport but that doesn't mean I have to respect them.

The simple fact of the matter is that competition doesn't end on the field. As much as some would say that this is just a sport, it's not. Many people have made it their life, if not invested their life's earnings to buy a vile of Derek Jeter chew spittle off eBay.

The joy of competition is its ability to inspire people, be it inspiring awe, argumentation, respect or passion. People who jump on bandwagons fundamentally lack this inspiration because the victory can't mean anything to them. They could just as well be rooting for a kindergarten Christmas pageant or a great deal on a new set of Goodyear Aquatreads.

For myself, every ninth inning rally, every come-from-behind pennant race, every victory by a team with no chance of winning and the fans that stay until the final out of the season inspires me. It makes my eyes larger and my dreams that much bigger.

Perhaps one day I'll inspire a bandwagon of my own and a boy with the courage to mock those who can't stay off.

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Sports

Eighty-yard drive not enough

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three field goals on the day, this one from 45 yards out, making the score 9-3 St. Mary's.

With 4:11 remaining in the first half, Stephane Pluviose '04 recovered another Gaels fumble on the St. Mary's 28-yard line. Although the Bison could not turn the opportunity into a touchdown, they settled for another Lundberg field goal, from 37 yards out to make the score 9-6. On the ensuing drive, Bison linebacker Joe Massey '03, forced yet another Gaels fumble, which was recovered by Kevin Ransome '05 on the St. Mary's 38-yard line. Again, the Bison had to settle for a Lundberg field goal from 34 yards out to tie the score at 9 going into halftime.

"The offense was able to loosen up, and make some corrections in terms of execution. The biggest difference is in terms of preparation. We came out and played with intensity."
— Dave Kotulski, *Asst. Coach*

After each team was unable to come up with any points despite promising drives to begin the second half, the Gaels struck first. Following a missed field goal attempt by Lundberg, the Gaels took the ball 80 yards in eight plays, and scored on a 10-yard touchdown run to make the score 16-9.

The Bison were able to put together one more long drive. They moved the ball 80 yards in 13 plays, including a fourth down completion from Wenrich to running back Raphael Darrington '05 to keep the drive alive. On the next play, Blamah Sarnor '06 ran the ball in from eight yards out to tie the game at 16. The score remained tied at the end of regulation, and the game went to overtime.

"The best thing was that we took the ball 80 yards, and tied up the ball game," Assistant Coach Dave Kotulski said.

St. Mary's got the ball first in the extra period, but the Bison forced yet another fumble, which was recovered by Anthony Lewis '04, and the Gaels were unable to score. The Bison were unable to move the ball on their possession, and had to settle for a field goal attempt. Lundberg's attempt sailed just to the right of the goal post, and the game went to a second overtime.

The Bison got the first chance in the second extra period. On a third down play, Wenrich connected with Albert Marquardt '04 from 27 yards out. The extra point attempt failed, and the Bison took a 22-16 lead. The Gaels were able to move the ball 25 yards in eight plays to tie the game at 22. The extra point gave St. Mary's a 23-22 win in a heartbreaker for the Bison.

"It was a disappointment, no question about it," Kotulski said.

There are still plenty of positives for the Bison, even after a close loss like this one. The Bison outplayed the Gaels in terms of time of possession and total yards. But, the bottom line is the scoreboard.

"They were able to convert in the red zone, and we didn't," Kotulski said.

"We can't give up those kinds of opportunities," Pluviose said.

The Bison offense seemed much more alive this week than it did against Duquesne in the season opener.

"The offense was able to loosen up and make some corrections in terms of execution," Kotulski said. "The biggest difference is in terms of preparation. We came out and played with intensity."

Sarnor was the team's offensive player of the game, after scoring the game-tying touchdown, and proving that he can be a strong attribute in the backfield.

"We've got some quality running backs. I think that each of them brings his own unique style to the game," Kotulski said.

The Bison defense was strong for the second straight week. Massey was named the Patriot League defensive player of the week after recording 11 tackles, and forcing a key fumble.

"We are just starting to get confidence with the new guys, and build trust between one another," Pluviose said.

Even though the Bucknell defense has been its strongest attribute for the past two seasons, the team is not satisfied with the way it is playing.

"We think that we can get a lot better. There is always room for improvement. We just take it week by week, and try to do the little things in practice."
— Stephane Pluviose *'04*

"We just have to keep [our opponents] out of the end zone," Kotulski said.

"We think that we can get a lot better. There is always room for improvement," Pluviose said. "We just take it week by week, and try to do the little things in practice."

The Bison host Cornell University in their home opener this Saturday night at 7 p.m. at Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium.

Stellar performances lead Bison

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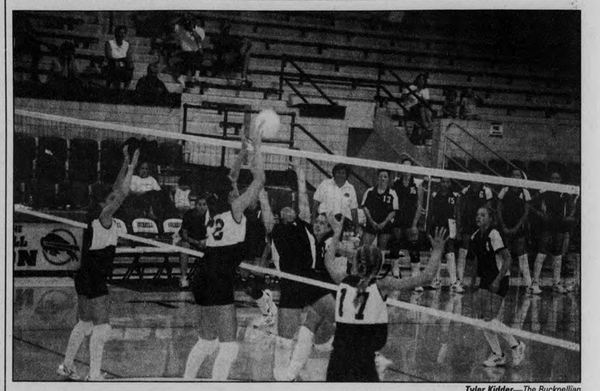

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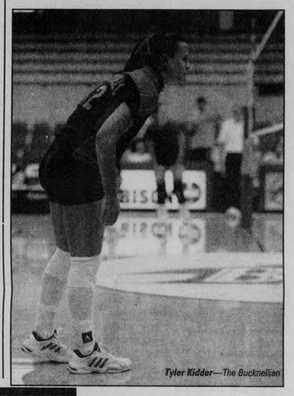
Jackie Leahy '05 (below) and the young Bison squad emerged from the highly competitive tournament with a 5-5 record for the season.



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"Overall I'm pleased with our efforts this weekend. We saw great leadership and aggressiveness from our upperclassmen and we feel that playing strong competition early in the season will better prepare us for our Patriot League opponents."
—Cindy Opalski, *Head Coach*

By Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

Overtime has been a familiar situation for the Bison field hockey squad so far this season, as the team has already seen three of its six games go into extra sessions. The most recent of these contests came in a thrilling victory on Saturday, Sept. 14, as the Bison defeated Columbia in two overtimes by a final score of 2-1.

It was the Bison who struck first in the game, when Kirsten Nilson '06 netted an early goal off of an assist by Kelly O'Brien '06.

Although the Orange and Blue had eight penalty corners and fired off eight shots on goal throughout the rest of the half, Columbia allowed nothing to materialize and the score remained at 1-0.

It was Columbia who would strike next, as Dana Zullo scored on a rebound with 14:23 left in the second half of regulation play. Neither team could capitalize on its efforts again in the remainder of the half, and that trend continued throughout the first overtime.

After the 1-1 score drove the game into its second extra session, Meiko Boynton '05 put an end to the suspense when she drilled her own rebound past the Lions' goalie just three minutes, 19 seconds into the period to give her squad the hard-fought 2-1 victory. Boynton, who was named Patriot League Player of the Week after her first four games, has now amassed four goals for the Orange and Blue in just six games.

Although it was not evident in the tight score, the Bison dominated the Lions' in shots on goal and penalty corners all day, as they out gunned Columbia in those categories 26-5 and 23-11, respectively. The Orange and Blue were clearly dominant in the overtime sessions, where they outshot Columbia 9-1.

The Bison will take their 2-4 record to Holy Cross next week, as they face the Patriot League for on Saturday, Sept. 21 at 12 p.m.

Caitlin Geissler—The Bucknellian

Stephanie Cabral '05 tries to keep the ball away from a Columbia player.

Breean Trapasso, Anderson and Wrigley.

Brandi Trapasso led the Bison with 15 kills and Breean Trapasso led with 36 assists. Anderson and Wrigley combined for a total of 23 digs, which helped lead the Bison to victory.

The Bison concluded the tournament in a close game against LaSalle. Bucknell won the first game 30-28, only to be defeated in the next three consecutive games, 30-25, 30-19 and a heartbreaking 30-28 loss. Quinnipiac University, the team the Bison defeated in three games, was crowned tournament champion after beating the University of Albany in head-to-head competition.

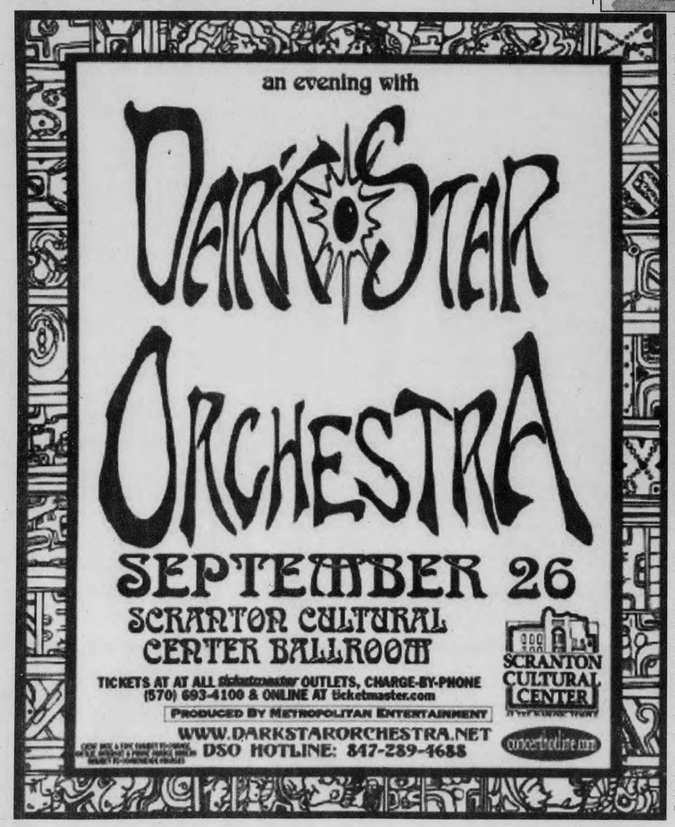
After their impressive play in the tournament, Breean Trapasso and Anderson were named to the All-Tournament team. Both Breean Trapasso and Anderson were vital parts of the Bison offense.

"Bree has done an outstanding job of running the offense and controlling tempo over the last two weekends," Opalski said. "Chelsea's defensive play and composure on the court has afforded us the opportunity to run a much quicker offense, allowing us to catch our opponents off guard. It is fitting that these two are being recognized by the tournament staff."

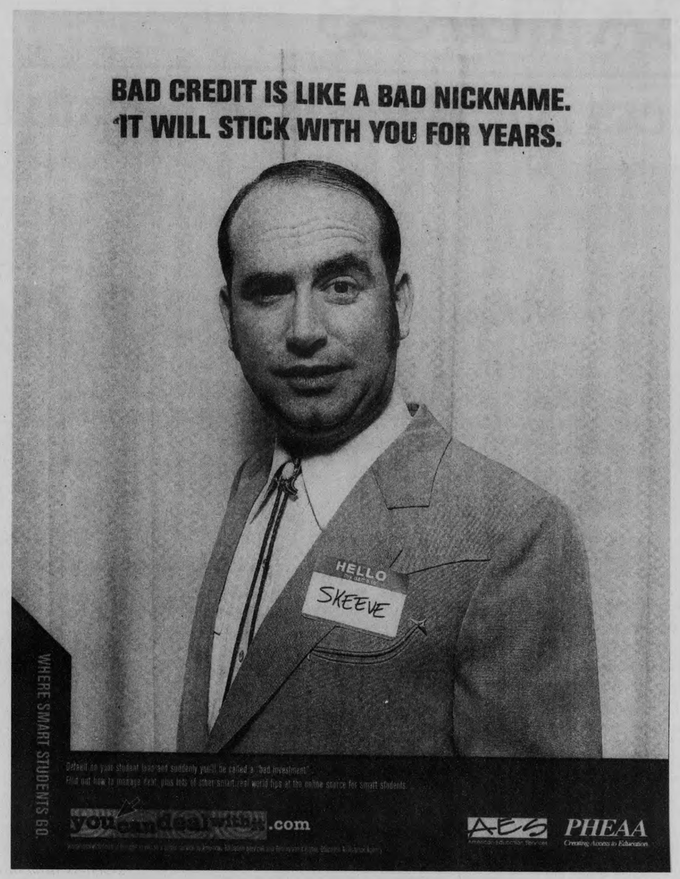
In addition to this tournament recognition, Breean Trapasso was honored by the Patriot League by being named the Patriot League Player of the Week on Sept. 16.

In the Bison's 3-1 loss to LaSalle, Trapasso had her best outing of the week with 51 assists, 10 digs and three aces. She also posted a double-double with 28 assists and 10 digs in the game against Albany.

The Bison will return to Davis gym next weekend when they host Morgan State University and Central Connecticut University on Sept. 21.



Field hockey wins in OT



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Abroad perspective: Madrid, Spain

By Jolene Hart
Managing Editor

I stepped off the plane and was met with a blast of arid heat and a flourish of cigarette smoke, welcoming me to Madrid-Barajas. At my side were 40 students, the newest members of the Hamilton College Academic Year in Spain Program, anxious to begin a semester that would become indelible in our memories.

It was Sept. 5, and the oppressive August heat that drives the natives to the coast for the latter half of the summer had not yet begun to yield. Quite fortunately, we were on our way to the coast, too. There was only one night to spend in the city of Madrid before we would be whisked away for a 10-day orientation on Spain's northern shore.

Of all the thoughts that might have been racing through our heads as the plane touched down, there was one small matter that we were all questioning: the contract. We applied to Hamilton College's Spain program with the knowledge that it was regarded as a unique abroad experience. Reinforcing this fact was the language contract that we were all required to sign stipulating that, from the moment we landed in Spain until the day we left, we would restrict our language use to Spanish. The exceptions were few: phone calls home or essential e-mails, otherwise we were each expected to speak, write, read, think and maybe even dream in Spanish from that moment forward. Using a little foresight, we had tried our best to squeeze in some English introductions among the group during the eight-hour flight, just so we wouldn't be complete strangers if our Spanish language skills failed us at first.

As fate would have it, we transitioned into Spanish-only mode without problems. The high caliber of the students in the program was affirmed by the fact that we all took the contract seriously and helped each other adhere to our pledge for the rest of the semester. For the first few days, the entire experience felt all the more surreal given the fact that we were working hard just to communicate our most basic thoughts and emotions. But that was part of the adventure.

Every moment of that first day, endless as it was, remains fixed in my mind. All of the images of my new home that I conjured in my head over the summer were put to the test in those first dizzying hours in Madrid. My roommate and I were sent in a taxi to meet our new family on Calle Jorge Juan, in the eastern section of the city, known as Salamanca to the *madrileños*.

Although we had met only a few hours before, we instantly bonded the moment we stood outside the door of that apartment and

Jolene Hart—*The Bucknellian*

Hart (right) and her roommate are dressed to perform traditional flamenco dance.

pressed the doorbell, lacking even the slightest idea of who would be on the other side to greet us.

The smiling woman who welcomed us with a hug and kisses was Señora Maricarmen Hernan Cutando Soriano. She instantly took us under her wing and, although I struggled to process the meaning of her rapid-fire Spanish (I am quite sure that she was even speaking slowly for our sake), I felt somehow reassured. Thus began our four-month stay with Maricarmen and her two children, Margarita and Miguel.

During the first night in Madrid, I conversed only a little and slept even less. The knowledge that four unplanned months lie ahead at once excited and terrified me. I had already been awake for 36 hours, but sleep was the furthest thing from my mind. The next morning at 6 a.m., we would depart for orientation.

Setting a standard of royalty that would only intensify during the semester, Hamilton College gathered all 40 of us for an experience that would serve to polish our language skills, introduce us to rural Spain, build our friendships and prepare us for the weeks ahead. Our destination was the tiny coastal town of Comillas in the province of Cantabria, situated in northern Spain. Upon arrival at our hotel, where we came to know the staff by name, we understood that there could not exist a sharper contrast to the enormity of Madrid. Comillas served as our home base while we spent the orientation hiking through the Picos de Europa mountains, boating along the coast of Santander, exploring the neighboring towns and adjusting to life in Spain.

A few days later, we toured the cave of Altamira, which contains 15,000-year-old cave paintings (a number that I still cannot fathom). Altamira is a UNESCO world heritage site that is deserving of its nickname, "the Sistine Chapel of prehistoric art." The actual cave is now off limits to the public, with the exception of researchers and historians, but Hamilton College reserved our tour three years in advance. Before I understood the enormity of the opportunity, I was beneath the earth, inches from some of the world's oldest known art, of which I had only before seen in the pages of my high school textbooks.

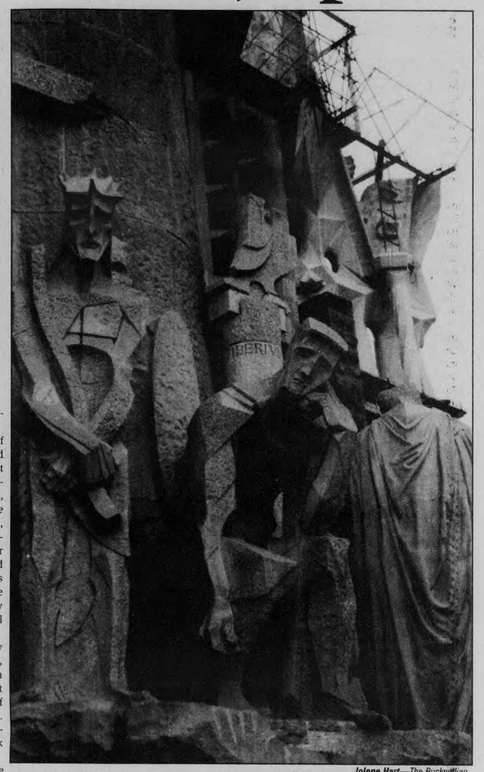
An orientation that incredible was only the first of our excursions throughout Spain, every one more impressive and unique than the last. As a group, we traveled throughout Galicia and Catalonia and visited the cities of Barcelona, Toledo, Cuenca, Burgos and Leon. On the weekends, when we could pry ourselves from Madrid, our individual trips took us throughout the rest of Spain.

During our excursions, we also became familiar with the art of eating in Spain, intimated to us through the two-hour-long meals that we would greedily anticipate. Gone were our routines of hurried meals once we became accustomed to course after course of food and wine. Our program director loved fine, authentic Spanish food and he would seek out the most remote locations to find it. I recall dining along the Mediterranean coast in the village of Peñiscola, being ladled a flaming cup of *queimada* in Galicia and toasting in the Hotel San Marcos, a 16th century former monastery, in Leon.

The meals with our Spanish families naturally took on a more relaxed feel. Nearly all of our food was prepared by Maricarmen, reinforcing the Spanish tradition that banishes everyone else from the kitchen. It took me several weeks just to realize that our kitchen was not even equipped with an oven; all cooking was sagely executed on a small stovetop.

I left Spain with a cultivated affinity for my señora's tortilla española (Spanish omelette), paella (although it did take awhile to adjust to the sight of shrimp with their heads still intact), manchego cheese, Spanish olives and chocolate con churros (best eaten at 5 a.m. after being out all night).

The academic portion of our program consisted of courses taught entirely in Spanish at the International Institute in Madrid. My most treasured classroom experience, apart from the flamenco course that taught us to perform authentic *sevillanas*, was in "The History of Art and Architecture."



Jolene Hart—*The Bucknellian*

The Passion Facade is one of three faces on Antonio Gaudi's Sagrada Familia. Construction on the temple began in Barcelona in 1882 and continues to be worked on.

Our class met weekly at the Prado Museum as a supplement to our class time, allowing us to witness firsthand the artistic treasures that are held in Madrid. The Prado was easily transformed from a cavernous maze of corridors to a familiar home. As art students, we came to understand that little compares to the moment you first catch sight of Van der Weyden's *El descendemiento de la cruz*, or Bosch's *Jardin de las delicias*. To study for an exam, we only needed to stroll through the museum halls and live the art of Velazquez, el Greco, Murillo or Rubens. The architecture portion of the class prepped us for our program excursions, sending us out to view masterpieces like the Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela or Phillip II's Escorial with more than just the eye of the average passerby.

Perhaps the most telling images of life in Madrid are found in the annals of our daily lives. Standing in awe of a classical violinist or a Spanish guitarist on the Metro, watching the sun set from the Torre de Madrid or catching sight of the Cibeles statue at night were common occurrences that remain the best reflections of the semester. Madrid was never quiet; I remember arriving at a club with friends at 2:30 a.m. and realizing that the nighttime crowds had not yet arrived and seeing groups of students hanging out in the streets of Alonzo Martinez at any hour of the evening. These are my memories of Madrid.

In this same manner, conversing with a Spaniard in their native language is perhaps the most inspiring feeling that studying abroad afforded me. I will never forget conversations that I had with complete strangers: a friendly shop clerk or a passerby asking directions or a family in the park, who complemented my ability to speak their language. Receiving such a comment from a native evoked neither pride nor self-satisfaction; rather, it created a fundamental human connection that defied both cultural and national boundaries. Spain awakened my social conscience, my passion for humanity and revolutionized my outlook on the world. At a time when the nationalistic pride of the United States was growing exponentially, I was instilled with an entirely different feeling of solidarity.

I left Madrid in late December in the same manner that I came, a passenger in a taxi speeding through the city's labyrinth of streets. I took with me far more than what I brought. The thought that has been the hardest to internalize is that the city goes on; right now someone is walking down the Paseo del Prado for the first time or stopping for tapas and a glass of wine whether I am there to witness it or not. Though it seemed like I was ending the experience, I resolved that it was only the beginning of my connection to Spanish culture. Although I can't say exactly when or how I will return, I am confident that anyone who has glimpsed the warmth and vitality of Spain, as I did in those few months, will be unable to keep themselves away.

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Students take a rest while hiking through Spain's Picos de Europa mountain range. The mountains span the provinces of Asturias, Leon and Cantabria.

Bucknell Outing Club active indoors and out

By Ashley Maliken
Writer

At the far end of campus, in the bowels of the Tustin Building beneath the incessant tapping of dancing toes, is the Bucknell Outing Club, an organization for the most daring of students headed by Jim Hostetler.

These students, both current and alumni, plan a trip for almost every weekend of the school year, as well as a number of summer excursions. Activities include hiking, canoeing, climbing and camping.

Hostetler, who has been with the University since 1985 as the director of construction and design, has headed this group of over 200 individuals since 1992. He is also the founder of Buckwild, a pre-orientation program for first-year students.

In addition, Hostetler is responsible for the creation of the climbing wall at the University, which he constructed with the assistance of two colleagues.

Hostetler considers the Outing Club his passion, which is why he is willing to donate hours of time to the planning and execution of many trips and activities.

Despite its huge membership, it is often difficult for the Outing Club to get the word out to students on campus about upcoming trips and events. The club's advertising is done electronically via e-mail and its homepage(http://www.orgs.bucknell.edu/outing.clb/). Without other methods of popularizing, this information would remain locked away on the World Wide Web.

It is simple and cost efficient to become a member, with dues of $6 for the year or $25 for a lifetime. Once your dues are paid, your name is added to the e-mail list and information about every trip is right at your fingertips.

For the less adventurous type, the Outing Club sponsors a number of classes and speakers that span a wide variety of topics. Last year, for example, a CPR certification class was offered to all students, and they hosted speaker Clide Peeling of Reptiland, who brought with him an array of reptiles ranging in size and variety.

Possible subjects for classes this semester include the fundamentals of backpacking, basic knot tying and the fundamentals of winter camping. All meetings and classes are held in the club's room in Tustin, which is fondly referred to as "Base Camp."

Base Camp has regular hours, when you can stop by and check out the equipment available to rent, try out your climbing talents on the traverse wall or fill your cable quota in front of their big screen television.

Hostetler has some big plans for the Outing Club this year, the the first of which is a night hike during Parents Weekend. Any interested parties can meet at Base Camp between 6 - 6:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 4, and then depart for the hiking destination about 15 miles away. Upon arrival, students and families have the option of taking a flashlight-guided hike of the area, or simply enjoying a bonfire and fireside snacks.

A trip for Fall Break to hike in the White Mountains of New Hampshire or a camping, climbing and spelunking excursion in West Virginia is also on the planning board.

"I'm really looking forward to the Fall Break trip. Plans haven't been finalized yet, but I think it's going to be great," Outing Club Member Sam Rothstein '05 said.

In addition to those trips, there will be camping the weekend of Sept. 28, climbing on Oct.12, and hiking at State Run Trail on Oct. 26.

As excited as he is for the Outing Club this year, Hostetler is also very concerned with the future. His ultimate goal is to offer a credit class that deals with important life issues, such as leadership training and emergency survival skills.

Although the class would be taught with a focus on the outdoors, the lessons learned could easily be transferred to life in any arena.

As the Outing Club members are fond of saying, "Don't let your schoolwork get in the way of your college education." But if Hostetler is able to make his dream come true by getting a class off the ground, then perhaps schoolwork could really become a proper college education.

FEATURES

R.B. Winter State Park great for a scenic getaway

By Leah Cunningham
Writer

Ice fishing, camping, hunting, hiking, snowmobiling and mountain biking are just a few activities that R.B. Winter State Park has to offer families and students. Located within Bald Eagle State Forest, this 695-acre state park overlooking Halfway Lake is the uncommon getaway for students looking for a relaxing day or weekend off-campus.

"Students from Bucknell use the park especially in the spring and fall," Park Manager Bob Deffner said. "We have observed a number of students take advantage of the beach and picnic areas for volleyball games, Frisbees and a picnic lunch. R.B. Winter is a mountain bike trailhead also, and the hiking trails lead into the Bald Eagle State Forest."

Due to R.B. Winter's close proximity—only 18 miles west of Lewisburg along State Route 192—many students have already taken the opportunity to explore the park. Some decide to take a weekend camping trip while others cool off in the lake, mountain bike or participate in a day hike.

"I've probably been there about 15 times. I've gone camping and backpacking with friends on the weekends," Lauren Scott '04 said.

Scott said that she used R.B. Winter State Park as a training area prior to backpacking up the Appalachian Mountains.

Dan Fellon '04 first visited R.B. Winter Park with his grandparents when he was ten years old and has made a habit of returning to the park due to his interest in mountain biking.

"I like going in the fall and spring, especially this time of year because there's lots of tree color. The trails are nice because they are either for hiking, mountain biking or for horses, and you're not around any traffic," Fellon said.

Deffner said that students can visit the park any time of year, but should be prepared for the weather.

"Fall foliage season is weather - dependent. Weather conditions can affect when the peak leaf season occurs. It usually peaks during the beginning part of October. Mountain biking enthusiasts enjoy riding in September and the first half of October," Deffner said.

R.B. Winter is a close, inexpensive and unique getaway. If interested, Deffner said that students can find reasonable prices for camping, pavilion rental, camping cottages, organized group camping and cabins.

Dan Fellon—*The Bucknellian*

The lake at R.B. Winter is just one of its many features. The park provides for a variety of recreational activities, including ice fishing, hiking, hunting and snowmobiling. The park has been described as being "in the middle of everything and nothing at all."

Dan Fellon—*The Bucknellian*

The red, yellow and green fall foliage provides for a breathtaking view. R.B Winter State Park peaks during the beginning part of October.

Fellon describes the park as "in the middle of everything and nothing at all." After only a 20-minute trip, students feel like they are secluded, relaxed and awed by the R.B. Winter State Park surroundings.

"It's really a neat spot," Matt Vanaskie '04 said. He has gone to the park for both his weather and climate lab and occasional camping excursions.

"It's a neat spot situated well in the valley. If you're looking for a getaway, it's just something out of the ordinary to do."

Deffner has only one precaution for students visiting the park during hunting season.

"Students should wear orange in the woods during hunting and turkey season. This would be a good idea from early November until mid-December," Deffner said.

R.B. Winter State Park was originally named Halfway State Forest. In honor of Mr. Raymond B. Winter, a forester who started work in the park area and the surrounding state forest in 1910, the park was renamed.

Winter spent 45 years of his life dedicated to his works. In 1955, his work paid off and the park was officially known as R.B. Winter State Park.

"I would encourage students to go. The Park is really different than Lewisburg and you are away from people … It's really scenic with beautiful overlooks and vistas," Scott said.

"We've had a really good experience with Bucknell students. I encourage students to utilize the facilities at the Park and at least come check it out," Deffner said.

Anyone wishing to make reservations for pavilions or camping can call the R.B. Winter State Park Center at (570)727-2757 or (570)966-1455. Individual park information can be found at www.dcnr.state.pa.us.

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—Lauren Scott '04

Local bicycling and fall foliage routes for the fall

[courtesy of www.visitcentralpa.org]

Bicycling Routes:

Hoffa Mill Loop—15 miles

This ride combines the best of town and country. Beautiful homes, old farms, a meandering creek and an 18th Century mill are some of the highlights of this ride. Leave Lewisburg from the University campus, go around the University golf course, over rolling hills and look for a great view down the valley from the last hill. Turn onto Hoffa Mill Road and ride by family farms. Meander along Buffalo Creek, and visit Grove's Mill, operating since 1788 and now the last of the water-powered grist mills in the county. Ride back toward town on Colonel John Kelly Road, named for an early Indian fighter. Look for the Federal Penitentiary up on the hill. Return through the outskirts of town on River Road, which winds its way past the Slifer House Museum and along the Susquehanna River into Lewisburg. Ride through Victorian Lewisburg where restaurants and shops await you.

Farms and River Ride—24 miles

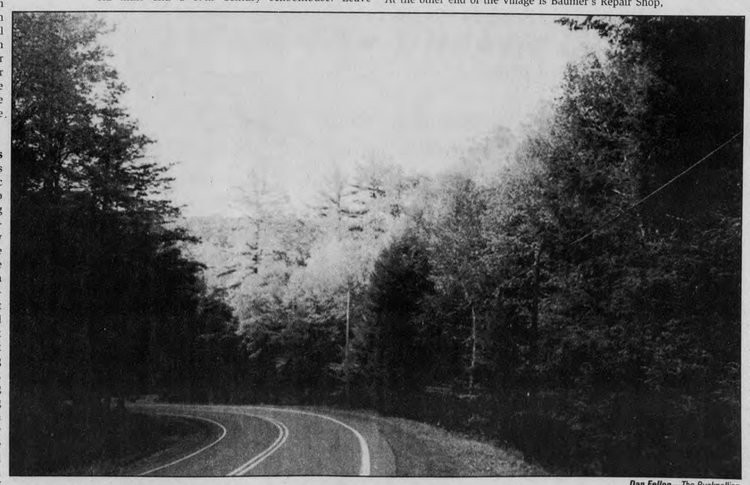
This ride on lightly-traveled roads gives the cyclist a flavor of the scenic woods, creeks and farms which make up these rural counties. Leave Lewisburg north along the river, through the suburbs, and at the top of the last hill, view the valley and mountains spread before you. Ride across the valley, past the Lewisburg Federal Penitentiary and an emu farm, and follow a meandering shaded stream. There's a good rest stop at Mile 7, with a covered picnic area and drinking water. As the road turns right towards the river, the valley broadens out into farms and rolling hills before sloping down to the village of New Columbia, where there is a Mini-Mart. Ride along the scenic Susquehanna before crossing the river into the borough of Milton, an old industrial town with several family restaurants and McDonald's. Leave Milton on Shakespeare Road to wind around farms to U.S. Route 45, which takes you through the village of Montandon (two markets and a pizza place) on your return across the river into Lewisburg.

Country Road Ramble—18 miles

This is a shorter version of the Farms and River Ride. As the route slopes down towards the river, turn south towards town before reaching U.S. Route 15 and ride over a series of low ridges into the suburbs of Lewisburg. Return to the Susquehanna Valley Visitors Bureau where restrooms, water and other rides await you.

Spruce Run Reservoir—28 miles

This ride takes you past Spruce Run Reservoir through wooded areas, along cool creeks, by prosperous farms and up and down some challenging hills to a quaint village, old mills and a 19th Century schoolhouse. Leave Lewisburg north along the river, through the suburbs, and at the top of the last hill, view the valley and the mountains spread before you. Ride across the valley, past the Lewisburg Federal Penitentiary and an emu farm, and follow a meandering shaded stream. There's a good rest stop at Mile 7, with a covered picnic area and drinking water. Turn left on Miller's Bottom Road and begin to climb the winding shady road through the woods. At Mile 9, pass Nittany Mountain Campground where you can buy a cold drink or a snack. Arrive at Sunrise Church, with the hills behind you and beautiful views of the valleys and mountains ahead of you. Ride by the reservoir and start south on winding country roads to the village of Mazeppa. On one side, a school house built in 1885 and on the other, an old cemetery, welcome you to this peaceful, small village. At the other end of the village is Baumer's Repair Shop, where you can buy drinks and snacks. About a mile further is a shady, grassy place to rest or picnic beside Mazeppa Mills. Turn east and follow Buffalo Creek as it wanders its way towards the Susquehanna. At Mile 20.5, pass Grove's Mill, operating since 1788 and now the last of the water-powered grist mills in the county. Ride back towards town on Colonel John Kelly Road, named for an early Indian fighter, past more farms and the Federal Penitentiary up on the hill. Ride through the suburbs on River Road, which winds its way past the Slifer House Museum, along the Susquehanna River and across Buffalo Creek one last time, into the borough of Lewisburg where restaurants and shops await you.



Dan Fellon—*The Bucknellian*

A view from fall foliage routes. This is one of the many beautiful sites in central Pennsylvania.

Fall Foliage Routes:

Lewisburg to Laurelton Loop

Beginning in Lewisburg, travel west on U.S. Route 45 (about eight miles) to Mifflinburg, continuing on through the borough toward Hartleton (about 4 miles) and on another 4 miles or so then turn left onto U.S. Route 235 (south), through the village of Laurelton and over the mountain into Troxelville. Turn left at stop sign onto Troxelville Road and continue east to the village of Penns Creek. When you arrive at the stop sign in Penns Creek, turn left onto U.S. Route 104 North and follow U.S. Route 104 back to Mifflinburg. At the stop sign where U.S. Route 104 ends, turn right and follow U.S. Route 45 East back to Lewisburg.

Lewisburg—New Berlin Loop

From Lewisburg, travel south on U.S. Route 15 (five miles) to Winfield. Turn right (west) onto Route 304 and follow about 8 miles to New Berlin. At intersection of U.S. Routes 304 and 204, turn right onto U.S. Route 204 (New Berlin Mountain Road) and follow up and over the mountain. At first stop sign, turn right onto Furnace Road and follow three-and-a-half miles, then turn left onto Stein Lane. Follow Stein Lane about three miles back to Lewisburg (you'll come in on the back side of the University Golf Course). Turn right onto Curtin Avenue to bring you back out to U.S.Route 15 just north of the University.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday
FRI
September 20

CDC Employer Expo (Gerhard Fieldhouse)
11a.m. to **3 p.m.**

CDC Jumpstart (Taylor 115)
1 p.m.

Fourth Sunday Choir Rehearsal (Meditation Chapel)
2 p.m.

Hilltop Film Series: "Gajin" (Vaughan Literature Auditorium)
4:30 and **8 p.m.**

Jewish Shabbat Service and Dinner (Berelson Center for Jewish Life)
5:30 p.m.

Susquehanna Valley Mall Shuttle (Downhill LC)
6 p.m.

Hollywood Squares (Smith Quad)
9 p.m.

Uptown: Pub Night
9:30 p.m.

ACE Film: "In the Bedroom" (LC Forum)
10:30 p.m.

Late Night Music: Student Bands (7th Street Café)
11 p.m.

Saturday
SAT
September 21

Fall Fest (LC Lawn)
1-4 p.m.

Susquehanna Valley Mall Shuttle (Downhill LC)
3 and **6 p.m.**

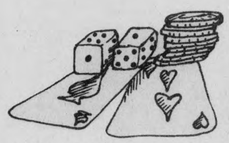
Anime Society Viewing (LC 301)
4 p.m.

Catholic Mass (Rooke Chapel)
5:30 p.m.

Million Penny Project Collection (Matthewson Football Stadium)
6 p.m.

Evening Football Game vs. Cornell
7 p.m.

Casino Night (Terrace Room)
9 p.m.



Uptown: Pete Francis
9:30 p.m.

ACE Film: "Ocean's 11" (Vaughan Literature Auditorium)
10:30 p.m.

Sunday
SUN
September 22

Friends Meeting (Smith Library)
10:30 a.m.

Interdenominational Worship Service (Rooke Chapel)
11 a.m.

Catholic Mass (Rooke Chapel)
4 p.m.

Anime Society Viewing (LC 301)
4 p.m.

Bucknell Brigade Sessions (LC 301)
8 p.m.

Catholic Mass (Larison Dining Hall)
10 p.m.

Monday
MON
September 23

Zen Meditation (Meditation Chapel)
4 p.m.

Voices of Praise (Seventh Street House)
5:30 p.m.

Humanities Institute Lecture on Islam and Philosophy: "What Can We Learn From Alfarabi About Plato and Aristotle?" Charles Butterworth, University of Maryland (LC Gallery Theatre)
7:30 p.m.

College Democrats Meeting (LC 233)
8 p.m.

French Club Meeting (LC 304)
8 p.m.

Tuesday
TUE
September 24

ACE Meeting (LC 304)
11:30 a.m.

CDC Jumpstart (LC 217)
4 p.m.

Burmese Cultural Organization Meeting (LC 240)
7 p.m.

International Spectrum Meeting (Taylor 115)
7 p.m.

Lecture: FDNY Chief Richard Picciotto, author of "Last Man Down" (Weis Center)
8 p.m. (doors open at **7:45 p.m.**)

Wednesday
WED
September 25

CDC Jumpstart (Biology 221)
5 p.m.

Cumbre Meeting (LC 272)
6 p.m.

ACE Film: "40 Days and 40 Nights" (LC Forum)
7:30 p.m.

Thursday
THU
September 26

CDC Jumpstart (Vaughan 202)
5 p.m.

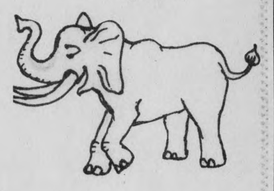
Fourth Sunday Choir Rehearsal (Meditation Chapel)
5:30 p.m.

CALVIN & HOBBES Meeting (Vedder Lounge)
6 p.m.

Lecture: "Race and Theoretical Hubris: Narrative Utility, Political Discomfort," Wahneema Lubliano, Duke University (LC Forum)
7:30 p.m.

Chinese Cultural Association Meeting (LC 302)
8 p.m.

Conservatives Club Meeting (Taylor 115)
8 p.m.



"The Well" Worship Service (Larison 100)
8:30 p.m.

Information on The Bucknellian Calendar

Events here were compiled from Reservations, Information and Conference Services (RICS), Activities and Campus Events (ACE) and the Office of Public Relations. In the future, please feel free to submit event information (event name, day and time, location) to **bucknellian@bucknell.edu**, using "Bucknellian Calendar" as the subject.

The sporting event calendar continues to run in the Sports section, this week on page B2.

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Arts & Entertainment

Perspective: summer in Hollywood

By Melissa Farrar
Staff Writer

Seen any good movies lately?

We live in an age in which movies are cranked out in record numbers, with, the critics say, little focus on quality. Nothing besides the box office seems to control movie-making decisions. Originality has given way to predictability of success and to formula. Whether, the critics are right or wrong, movies are a main ingredient of American and international popular culture. They both influence and reflect who we are. And I, for one, like them.

I have always wanted to be involved in making movies and this summer I got the chance to do just that. As an intern at Tall Tree Productions in Hollywood, I had a firsthand opportunity to learn about movie making and what a large-scale and complex business it is. Any illusions I had concerning glitz and glamour evaporated quickly. Although it was still a lot of fun.

Owned by director Betty Thomas ("Private Parts," "Dr. Doolittle") and producer Jenno Topping, Tall Tree is a division of Columbia/Sony Pictures. Two additional producers and a team of assistants, script advisors and office staff make up the core of the company. I was impressed that many of the people I met held advanced degrees in various areas of study.

Tall Trees focuses on turning out midrange (in terms of budget) films such as "Charlie's Angels" and "Can't Hardly Wait." Its production headquarters are located in an ordinary looking house on Sunset Boulevard in Calif. The area is loaded with production companies, recording businesses, movie industry contractors and clubs. The casual, entertaining atmosphere of the office was a pleasant surprise. The producer's three dogs and baby were regular visitors and occupied favorite spots on the reception area couches.

Despite the relaxed atmosphere, the sheer volume of work was mind-numbing. The balancing act of developing, producing, shooting and editing a film is a tough, time-consuming challenge. Anything and everything can go wrong, and delays are common.

Kristen Hughes—The Bucknellian

Farrar's summer internship at Tall Tree Productions taught her that the film industry is fast-paced and exciting.

Every day, dozens of scripts and books submitted by hopeful screenwriters arrived at the office. Before a producer read a script, it had to be logged into a computer database. One of my jobs was to prepare a summary and critique of the script and/or writer. If it passed muster, a producer might take a look at it. However, very few pieces ever received consideration to become projects.

Even when a script is selected, it takes time before it reaches its final form. The company's script library contained numerous rewrites and showed the months—and even years —of work that go into completing a final draft. After a film starts production, major changes are still likely to happen. Such changes were occurring on a Tall Trees project when I arrived.

Throughout the summer, cast and production crew flooded the office for post-production meetings on Tall Trees latest film, "I Spy," starring Eddie Murphy and Owen Wilson. This comedy, based loosely on the 1960s TV show, focuses on a CIA agent who teams up with an egotistical boxing star to prevent an international arms deal from going through.

There were numerous chances to learn how movies are put together. For example, I observed the storyboard artists sketch and model the final sequences of the film. They loved to share stories about movies they had worked on, and even asked for my opinion at times. During visits to the set, I witnessed the tremendous amount of work that goes into a single day of filming. The staff and crew list for "I Spy" is 14 pages long. It covers such duties as production, art, accounting, stunts, costumes, locations, lighting, first aid, props, transportation and so on. Workers diverse as writers, caterers, carpenters, extras casting, special effects and many more are listed on the roster.

On the final day of the shoot, the crew built a water set in an industrial lot near Los Angeles. The cast and film crew call was at 8 p.m., and shooting went until dawn. The night was frigidly cold, yet Murphy and Wilson made everyone on the set forget this. They ad-libbed and joked, despite being immersed in the ice-cold water, and everyone on the set burst out laughing between takes.

I noted that about 80 percent of the crew was male, as is typical on most films, yet Betty Thomas, a female director, was in complete control. The lengthy, tedious nature of shooting a film surprised me, but everyone involved seemed to genuinely enjoy what he/she was doing. Once the shoot wrapped, we had fun watching the previews on television at the office. By then, the focus on "I Spy" had shifted, and it was time to shoot "Charlie's Angels 2: Halo" and prepare for Ben Affleck's next film, "Surviving Christmas."

The film industry is fast-paced and exciting, and my four months in Hollywood were a great learning experience. Now, I watch all movies with an appreciation for how much work goes on behind the scenes. Whether or not I choose a career in film, I'll certainly be keeping an eye out for the next Tall Trees release to hit the screen.

Brynwood concert series returns

By Julianna Pietak
Senior Writer

Being located in a small central Pennsylvanian town has its ups and downs for student life on and off campus. If the quaint, quiet and rural appeals to you, then this could be your paradise. However, if your tastes run more towards the cultural life of the city, you may feel like you're missing out.

This is an issue Dave Ritchotte of New Wave Productions kept in mind when planning the new "Live at the Brynwood" performance series in downtown Lewisburg. Ritchotte said that the purpose of these events is to "bring an entertainment option to downtown Lewisburg." Specifically, he said, "the series was created to give students the ability to relax and listen to music in a casual environment and in a purely over-21 crowd."

These concerts take place on a weekly basis at the Brynwood Room, the banquet room attached to the Bull Run Inn. The formality of a banquet room is a connotation Ritchotte would like to avoid, preferring to describe it as an intimate and relaxing performance venue. The performances are open to students and community members, but are exclusively for the over-21 crowd, as alcohol is served.

The names featured in the series are national "up-and-coming" bands, playing both covers and original music. The artists have their own CDs, their own styles and promising talent for the future. These are not simply local acts, but performers who Ritchotte views as tomorrow's stars.

Next on the agenda are Pete Palladino and Jeff Feltenberger of The Badlees, who will be performing on Wednesday, Sept. 25 at 9 p.m. As members of The Badlees, both shared concert stages with the likes of Bob Seger, Gregg Allman, the Goo Goo Dolls, Edwin McCain, Robert Plant and Jimmy Page. Their songs have also been featured on VH1 and in multiple TV and film soundtracks.

The latest album released by Palladino, "Sweet Siren of the Reconnected," is described on his Web site (http://www.petepalladino.com/html/bio.html) as "filled with up-tempo rockers anchored by pop sensibility, mid-paced breezy gems and an occasional ballad ... 'Sweet Siren' also boasts smart and savvy lyrics and a strong sense of musical integrity. For every moment fueled by pure adrenaline, there is another simply inspired by the heart."

The duo's influences are listed as modern rock, pop and even root/folk type sounds. This blend of style, coupled with its prominence, should present an entertaining mix of quality music played in a casual style and presented in an informal atmosphere.

The Brynwood Room Series' combination of nationally renowned performers in a small and intimate Lewisburg venue is one unique to the University and the local community. Such an opportunity provides just what Ritchotte wished to accomplish, new entertainment option for students and community in downtown Lewisburg.

Top 10 central Pa. dates

By Melinda Kummer
Senior Writer

Some astute readers may remember a *Bucknell World* article describing the distinct and troubling lack of students that date on campus. After reading the following article, however, the lame excuse of "But there's nothing to do here!" will certainly not satisfy anyone. Liberty was taken to gather information about local events, which consequently led to the "Top Ten Places to Take a Date in the Susquehanna Valley." Get your dialing fingers ready—you'll want to call that crush as soon as one of the proposed dates grabs your attention.

1. Original Italian Pizza (OIPs) is close, reasonably priced and offers a great selection of food. The grilled chicken salad and bread come highly recommended by Renee Orzechowski '04. My lone dining experience at OIPs consisted of a takeout calzone—the small calzone is so big that it could easily feed two people. OIPs is located on U.S. Route 15 in Plaza 15 by Ames. To order in, call (570) 523-6610.

2. Good Wil's Restaurant has been described as a "small, run-down barn," but remains a favorite of University students for serving breakfast all day. Prices are cheap and the quantities large—Good Wil's is everything a Pennsylvania diner should be. Only a 10-minute drive, Good Wil's sits on the right side of U.S. Route 45 after crossing the Market Street Bridge, traveling through Montandon and going under the U.S. Route 147 overpass.

3. Café Latte is one of the best-kept downtown secrets. A small coffee shop, Café Latte boasts friendly service, short lines and great seating. Some tables have Scrabble and Monopoly game boards laminated into them, making Café Latte a great option for a double date. Home-baked desserts, including deliciously thick slices of banana bread, lay in a mouth-watering array on the counter. It also offers the usual selection of lattes, cappuccinos, etc. Located at 21 North Third St. (behind CVS), Café Latte is open Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., Friday, 7 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

4. American Idol Concert will feature the top 10 finalists from the hit summer reality series on Nov. 1 at 7:30 p.m., at the First Union Arena at Casey Plaza in Wilkes-Barre. Just take Interstate 81 to Exit 168, then make a right turn at the traffic light - the arena will be directly in front of you. Parking is $4 and tickets for the concert run between $26.50 and $46.50. They can be charged by phone at (570) 693-4100 or ordered at www.ticketmaster.com. Tickets can be bought in groups of eight.

5. Cliff jumping is a favorite pastime of Lewisburg locals. Travel north on U.S. Route 15, then west on U.S. Route 192, then north on Airport Road. Take the first left and travel two miles—the cliffs are on the right. Graduate student Justin Neuman said: "It's a 25-foot cliff where some of the locals go. We go there every now and then to cool off." The Bucknell Outing Club sponsors trips to the cliffs, but with the autumn chill soon upon us, you might want to consider other trips that they offer, including hiking, caving and skiing. Check out their Web page for up-to-date trip information at http://www.orgs.bucknell.edu/outing.clb/. The best thing about cliff jumping is that it's free fun!

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6. The Bloomsburg Fair runs from Sept. 21 to Sept. 28. Open from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily, admission is only $4. Apple dumplings, pierogies and soup in bread bowls are special features of the menu. In addition, a new band called Jars of Clay will be making an appearance on Sept. 22. The fairgrounds are located off of Exit 34 of U.S. Route 80. More information can be found at www.bloomsburgfair.com.

7. Oktoberfest celebrations will take place on Oct. 12 and 13 in Williamsport. The Pub, Old Corner, 33 East, Franco's Lounge, The Cell Block, Kelly's Grill, Peter Herdic House, Legends at the Genetti Hotel and the Bullfrog Brewery will be hosting German-inspired meals, complete with wait staff in traditional German garb. The menu will consist of items such as bratwurst and beer. Check out http://www.mywol.net/theweekender/lifestyles/p011011.htm for more information.

8. The Yankees/Orioles game on Sept. 27 in Baltimore is a great deal. A mere $20 for the bus ticket and $15 to see some great baseball is a small price to pay for a beautiful autumn day at the Inner Harbor. A fascinating aquarium, the Babe Ruth Museum, paddleboats and delicious seafood (something you just don't get in the middle of Pennsylvania) is right at your fingertips. Rusty's, located just a short walk from Camden Yards, boasts the best crab cakes the Chesapeake Bay has to offer. The Hard Rock Café, ESPN Zone and numerous restaurants in Little Italy are also fabulous dining options for the non-seafood lover. The trip is sponsored by Activities and Campus Events and tickets can be bought in the Cap Center (LC 306).

9. Front Street Station in Northumberland is a bit of a hike, but it is well worth the extra travel time. A train station-turned-restaurant, Front Street Station is not lacking for atmosphere. Beautiful views of the Susquehanna River and railroad tracks are visible from nearly all tables. A little pricier than the other options presented, Front Street Station is a good choice for a special occasion. If it seems to be a slow night, request an upper-level table overlooking the bar, and whether they're busy or not, order pecan pie! Located at 2 Front St., Northumberland, Front Street Station takes reservations—call (570) 473-3626.

10. The christening of the University's football field under the stadium's new lights will occur on Sept. 21 at 7 p.m. The first night game since 1986 will be played against Cornell. Not only is admission free for students with University IDs, but it's rumored that Sept. 21 also happens to be Free T-Shirt Day!

Now that you've been given a plan for the next 10 Saturday nights, don't let yourself sit in your room and play computer games. Don't think that you necessarily need a date to participate in ahy of these activities—just grab a friend and go. Spontaneity, chilling at cool spots with cool people, exploring new places—isn't that what student life is about?

Yezek's full life is inspiring

By Campbell Gerrish
Senior Writer

Have you ever felt as though you might not be getting as much as you'd like to out of your campus experience? Ever wish you were more involved but were too lazy to explore the University's options—or thought you just couldn't fit more into your schedule? As an integral member of the Bucknell Dance Company (BDC), a motivated English major, an athlete and a community service participant, Stephanie Yezek '03 balances a day-to-day schedule that would send many into a fit of stress. If you are curious as to how to live life at the University to the fullest, read on for some inspiration.

Yezek's greatest passion in life is dance. Beginning with gymnastics in grade school and four years in her high school dance company, Yezek made the cut for the University's dance program in her sophomore year. Having served as secretary last year, she now holds the position of vice president of the BDC and is also a teaching assistant for the dance department.

Although she arrived at the University with a background in jazz, Yezek now focuses on modern dance styles and is currently choreographing this semester's main stage dance event. She plans to go to graduate school for dance, would like to find herself dancing professionally in New York City or Chicago in the next few years and can definitely see herself teaching dance at some point.

In addition to being an accomplished dancer, Yezek is a dedicated English major. Her interest in English began in high school, where she gained a solid background in the subject from many teachers. When asked what she likes the most about the major, Yezek said, "I'm more into the analytical side of things, not so much creative writing. I think it would be cool to be a literary critic."

Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian

Yezek has a full life at the University. Her activities range from dance to volunteering.

One course in particular that made a significant impact on Yezek was Gothic Literature with Assistant Professor of English Ghislaine McDayter.

"Class with Professor McDayter was inspiring," Yezek said. "The course was influential in that it changed my literary perspective. It was kind of weird because I would talk about the course all the time with my friends and family. I began to look at things from a gender angle, something interesting and new for me."

Yezek is interested in the collaborative literary analysis that goes along with publishing. She was one of two students selected this semester to work as an intern for the *West Branch Literary Magazine*, a University publication based in Bucknell Hall, and has been enjoying her experience thoroughly. If she were able to move up the ranks at a publishing company after college, she could see herself working in the field.

On top of eight hours of work per week for *West Branch* and regular classwork, Yezek finds time to serve as a writing tutor and to organize her senior thesis. Working with Professor of English Michael Payne, her thesis will focus on Lewis Carroll's "Through the Looking Glass." Fascinated by the gender issues present in Carroll's story, Yezek plans to look at it from a feminist perspective and to investigate the "sense within the nonsense of children's literature."

Yezek has also been a varsity athlete, a member of the Alpha Phi Omega service fraternity, and served on a panel to interview prospective professors. She played varsity lacrosse her first and sophomore years and very much enjoyed the experience. After trying to balance both dance and sports practice, Yezek decided that she wanted to use the time spent practicing on the field to further her abilities on the stage and resigned from the lacrosse squad. For one semester, Yezek really enjoyed working the Alpha Phi Omega service fraternity.

"It was great to get away from campus and to help people in the community," she said. Her favorite service project was helping locals with an annual day of apple butter churning. Yezek was also selected as one of six students to serve on a panel to interview the new Victorian literature professor, as well as the new scenery designer/professor for the Theatre and Dance Department.

For Yezek, "everything just fits." When asked about how she does it and how she feels about her University experience, Yezek said, "I need to be busy and I really enjoy everything that I'm doing. I feel like I've made a lot of good choices, focused on the right things, and, so far, have done everything I wanted to do."

"Don't take your education or time here for granted. Live and learn. Those are the two most important things I have gained from my time here," Yezek said.

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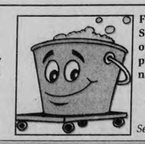

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Scholars gather for race conference

By Michelle Dombeck
Arts & Entertainment Editor

More than 60 scholars from all over the United States are gathering at the University to participate in a race conference. Sponsored by the Race/Gender Resource Center, "Color, Hair and Bone—The Persistence of Race into the 21st Century" is a series of lectures, panels and discussions that runs from Sept. 26-28.

One of the conference's main purposes is to raise awareness of racial issues.

"Through this conference, the Race/Gender Resource Center brings to the attention of the Bucknell campus and the community at large the many ways in which race and racism are significant today, in our individual lives, as a nation and as citizens of the world," said Elisabeth Crespo, assistant professor of sociology and co-director of the Race/Gender Center.

Norlisha Crawford, assistant professor of English, is one of the lecturers at the conference. She also believes that the conference will bring attention to racial issues.

"I think the purpose of the conference is to keep questions, ideas and perspectives related to the persistent nature of race, racism and racist ideology alive in the academic world," Crawford said. "Too often, too many scholars, students and others involved with universities, including Bucknell, think themselves above or removed from the direct effects of race and racism. That imagined distance is not only not the case, it is not possible."

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> —***Pawan Dhingra****, assistant professor of sociology and anthropology*

Last year's blackface incident, when two white students dressed up as Venus and Serena Williams for Halloween, is just one example of how racial misunderstandings can affect the University.

"Problems regarding race were well publicized last year here at Bucknell, and rather than retreat from conversations about race, we should be engaging in more of them," said Pawan Dhingra, assistant professor of sociology and anthropology, who is also lecturing at the conference. "In a very homogeneous environment, where both white and non-white students complain about the lack of racial diversity, this conference gives the community an opportunity to hear what others have to say about race."

Professors and scholars are not the only people who notice racial issues.

"Even in today's society, there is still racism. Programs like this race conference will help people recognize and stop it," Kate Stiteler '05 said.

Last night, keynote speaker Wahneema Lubiano, associate professor of literature at Duke University, gave the first lecture of the conference.

"Lubiano's lecture, 'Race and Theoretical Hubris: Narrative Utility, Political Discomfort,' addressed the political climate that makes talking about race difficult, in spite of the persistence of racial inequalities," Crespo said.

Columbia University Professor of Law Kendall Thomas will give another keynote lecture today at 1 p.m. in the Langone Center Forum. His lecture, "AIDS, Race and Sexual Democracy," will address the ways in which racial inequalities are reproduced in relation to the AIDS epidemic.

Another highlight of the conference includes University Poet-in-Residence Sonia Sanchez's reading of "Poems on Peace and Justice" tonight at 8 p.m. in Bucknell Hall.

People are free to attend any of these events. The entire schedule of events is available on the Race/Gender Resource Center's Web site at http://www.departments.bucknell.edu/rgrc/Schedule.htm.

NYC FIRE CHIEF SPEAKS TO CAMPUS

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Richard Picciotto, Chief of Battalion 11 in the New York City Fire Department, spoke last week in the Weis Center about his experiences in the south tower of the World Trade Center on Sept. 11. After 29 years on the force, Picciotto will retire at the end of this year.
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Sojka receives honorary Doctor of Science

By Alyson Walker
Features Editor

Gary Sojka, professor of biology and former president of the University, recently received an honorary Doctor of Science from Purdue University. The doctorate was presented to recognize and celebrate Sojka's work throughout different facets of higher education, including his role as a teacher, research scholar, faculty mentor and administration member.

Sojka attended Coe College as an undergraduate and did his master's and doctorate studies at Purdue University. He holds a master's degree in microbiology and a doctorate in genetics.

"I was quite pleased with the recognition. Purdue is a major, nationally prominent research-intensive university, and to receive what they consider to be their 'highest honor' brings a certain level of satisfaction," Sojka said.

Prior to his work at the University, Sojka was a professor and chairperson of the biology department at Indiana University. He then became a dean of the College of Arts and Sciences there and was awarded the Senior Class Teaching Award and the Frederic B. Lieber Award for distinguished teaching.

Sojka then came to Lewisburg, becoming the University's 13th president in 1984. He served as president for 11 years, during which the University capital building campaign was funded. The campaign raised $90 million, which was used in the construction of almost half of the current square footage of facility space on campus.

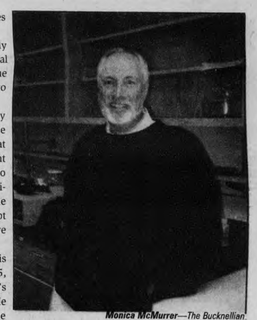
During Sojka's presidency, the University endowment went from $52 million to $142 million and new curriculum plans were formulated for both the College of Arts and Sciences and the College of Engineering.

He was also the interim president of the Pennsylvania Association of Colleges and Universities from 1997-1998.

Sojka is not only happy with the personal tribute, but also with the honor that reflects onto the University.

"I was also very pleased to receive the degree while still active at Bucknell, since that might help in some small way to raise our university's visibility in a part of the world where we may not be as well known as we should be," Sojka said.

Sojka returned to his teaching roots in 1995, joining the University's biology department. He currently serves as the University's academic representative to the NCAA and has been a member of the NCAA



Monica McMurrer—The Bucknellian

Professor of Biology Gary Sojka stands in the lab. Sojka received an honorary Doctor of Science from Purdue University.

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Stechschulte preparing to run for State Congress

By Meghan Fox
Staff Writer

Donald Stechschulte, medical director of Student Health Services (SHS), has recently announced his candidacy for Pennsylvania State Congress.

Stechschulte is competing against Don Sherwood for Pennsylvania's 10th Congressional District. Stechschulte is a registered Democrat running without the endorsement of any political party, but with the hope to rekindle the democratic spirit of the nation.

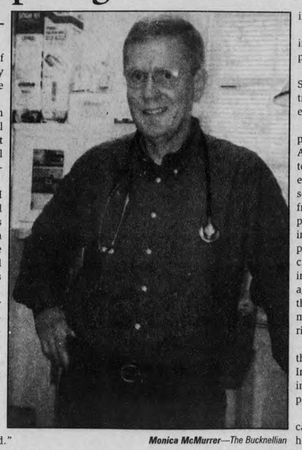
"I think I am honest and forthright and I would serve very well the common, individual American, and I would always put their needs and wants above corporate America. I care a great deal about this country, your generation, the future that my children and grandchildren will live in and I think there are significant changes that need to be brought about," Stechschulte said.

Stechschulte declared that he was running for three reasons. The first was due to his disheartenment with the conduction of the 2000 presidential election.

"Only half of registered voters even bothered to exercise their right to vote, millions of votes were not even counted and the candidate who got the most votes lost," Stechschulte said. "This basically corrupt system perpetuates itself; 99 percent of congressional incumbents were re-elected, less than 5 percent were even seriously challenged."

His second reason for running is rooted in his deep concern for the future of his children and grandchildren.

Finally, he was unimpressed with what the incumbent, Don Sherwood, had to offer.



Monica McMurrer—The Bucknellian

Medical Director Donald Stechschulte plans to leave his post at Student Health Services to run for State Congress. A registered Democrat, Stechschulte will be running against incumbent Don Sherwood.

"At some point you just get tired of writing letters to your congressmen and to the president," Stechschulte said.

The five areas of utmost concern to Stechschulte include health insurance, educational reform, campaign reform, defense and economic policy.

Stechshulte's platform supports "single payer health insurance that guarantees every American total medical care from the womb to the tomb; true educational reform where every American is given the opportunity to seek his or her maximum level of schooling from pre-school through college; true campaign reform that works toward public funding of political campaigns to eliminate both political fund raising and donations by special interests; a rational defense policy focusing on the defense of our nation, not on aggressive unilateral warmongering around the globe" and "an economic policy that maintains the rights of real people against the rights of corporations."

Stechschulte observed that the needs of the average Americans are not being met. Instead, he feels that the individual is becoming less important, and that corporations take precedence over the individual.

"It's unfortunate that the average guy can't get his needs met to the degree I think he should," Stechschulte said. "I think government should be there to help and remember the individual person."

His experience in medicine has also influ-

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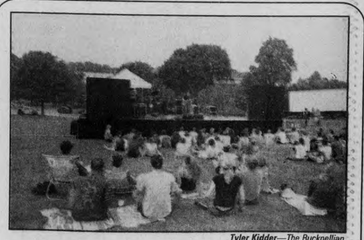

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Top: Students enjoy the musical events at Fall Fest. Bottom: Members of the Class of 2005 participate in a pie throwing contest. See Fall Fest article on page A3.

News

Public Safety Log

Wednesday, Sept. 18

INFORMATION/SMALL FIRE—Public Safety responded to a fire alarm at McDonnell Hall that was caused by a metal cup being heated in a microwave. A student had used a fire extinguisher to extinguish the fire. The damage was confined to the microwave.

Thursday, Sept. 19

INFORMATION/OFF CAMPUS FIRE—Public Safety responded to St. Catherine Street for the report of a fire in a student's off-campus residence. William Cameron Engine Co. responded and extinguished the fire. Lewisburg Police responded. The students were offered alternate housing. The cause of the fire is under investigation.

THEFT—An employee reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) had removed an empty personalized oxygen tank from her unlocked vehicle while it was parked in the parking lot at McDonnell Hall. The employee located the tank at her home.

HARASSMENT BY COMMUNICATION—An employee and student reported to Public Safety that a male had been sending offensive photographs of a female student by e-mail to other students/staff. The incident is under investigation.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student contacted Public Safety and requested transportation to Evangelical Hospital Emergency room for treatment of a stomach virus. The Student Health Services driver responded and transported the student to the hospital. The individual later returned to campus.

INFORMATION/SUSPICIOUS MAIL—Public Safety responded to the Langone Center for the report of a suspicious envelope. While investigating, the officer determined the envelope was a University guest housing key envelope. The envelope was removed for disposal.

Friday, Sept. 20

REQUEST FOR IDENTIFICATION—A University official contacted Public Safety and requested to verify the identity of a student providing false identification to gain access to Uptown. The individual, under the age of 21, was cited for providing false information.

Saturday, Sept. 21

UNDERAGE DRINKING/PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS—While on routine foot patrol at the rear of Leiser House, Public Safety observed a group of 10 males talking loudly in the alley. Lewisburg Police responded. One student continued to behave in a disorderly manner while being questioned by the officers. The male was transported to Lewisburg's police station and cited for underage drinking and public intoxication.

UNDERAGE DRINKING/DISORDERLY CONDUCT/FAILURE TO COMPLY/PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS—Public Safety responded to the front of the Langone Center for the report of a fight in progress. After investigating, the officer determined that the person who started the fight was an intoxicated student under the age of 21. East Buffalo Township Police responded. The student was cited for underage drinking, disorderly conduct, public drunkenness and failure to comply.

INFORMATION/FIRE—Public Safety responded to the Academic Quad for the report of a fire. Unknown individuals had made a hut of tree branches, leaves and dry grass. Public Safety used fire extinguishers to extinguish the fire. No witnesses could be located in a search of the area.

INDECENT ASSAULT—A student reported to Public Safety that she was awakened when an unknown male entered her unlocked Roberts Hall room and touched her breast. No witnesses or suspects could be located in a search of the building. A Public Safety alert was issued. The incident is under investigation.

Sunday, Sept. 22

OPEN CONTAINER/DISORDERLY CONDUCT—While on foot patrol in the area of the Special Interest Houses, Public Safety cited a 21-year-old male student who was drinking and carrying a can of beer in his pocket. The male tried to resist arrest. The student was cited by the police and Public Safety with two counts of disorderly conduct.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT/ALCOHOL OVERDOSE—Public Safety responded to Gateway Vidinghoff for the report of a student suffering an alcohol overdose. The individual was transported by ambulance to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency room for treatment and later returned to campus. The student was charged with underage drinking and public drunkenness.

UNREGISTERED PARTY—Public Safety responded to Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity for a fire alarm activation. Upon arrival, many people were leaving the fraternity. While investigating the alarm, officers discovered beer in a garbage can on the third floor and two fire detectors in the third floor hallway covered with plastic wrap. The fraternity was charged with tampering with fire equipment and University alcohol policy violations relating to student organizations/unregistered party.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) carved letters in the driver's side door of his vehicle while it was parked in front of Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity. The incident is under investigation.

ASSIST POLICE/NOISE COMPLAINT—Public Safety responded to Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity to assist Lewisburg Police with a noise complaint. The fraternity officers complied to turning off the music. A citation was issued for loud noise.

INFORMATION/VEHICLE DAMAGE—Public Safety responded to Larison Hall for the report of tree limbs that had fallen on vehicles. The vehicles were not damaged and Physical Plant removed the debris.

Monday, Sept. 23

INFORMATION/GRAFFITI—Public Safety responded to Swartz Hall for the report of graffiti that had been drawn on posters in the hallway two days earlier. A witness reported seeing three unknown males on the hall near the time the graffiti was discovered.

Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity returning to Greek community

By Andrew Burr
News Editor

With a devoted group of University students leading the way, groundwork has been laid for the recolonization of the Tau Kappa Epsilon (TKE) Fraternity on campus.

"Everybody's coming together for a common cause; it's really going to something incredible," said Chaplain John Siwicki '05, one of the students involved in the recolonization process. "Recolonizing TKE is a passion, so it really doesn't even feel like work."

Establishing a chapter at the University in 1947, TKE was shut down in 1998 following University conduct violations. A movement to reestablish TKE on campus occurred two years ago, although the effort was unsuccessful. Hood Johnston '72, a TKE brother who currently sits on the TKE alumni board, remembers the failed effort.

"We had some solid young men a few years ago ready to recolonize TKE, but they did not get support from the national fraternity the way this program is working," he said.

During rush, the TKE national organization sent two representatives to the University to recruit potential members for a recolonization effort. Remaining on campus, the representatives are currently providing support for the individuals involved in the process.

"In my estimation, the difference [between this effort and the effort two years ago] is entirely in the TKE international approach. This is a brand new program and it seems to be working really well," Johnston said.

According to Assistant Director of Greek Affairs Shauna Irwin, bringing TKE back to campus will "bring more continuity back to the fraternal system," as well as reestablish a Greek presence at the west end of Fraternity Road, where Theta Chi Fraternity and TKE used to be. Irwin described the University's responsibility in the recolonization process as one of support, but not necessarily leadership.

"I can't tell you how excited [the alumni board] is to have this group of men—we are behind them 100 percent. Our function, though, is to stay in the background. We want to the support them, but we also want to let the new members determine the course of the chapter," Johnston said.

The new TKE brothers realize the hardships of recolonizing a fraternity, but President Jeff Puro said he and the other members aren't shying away from the challenge.

"Considering the long, difficult road ahead, I feel morale couldn't be higher. As our brothers come together for event after event we continue to build such a strong sense of brotherhood that we would do anything for each other. We know that this is a challenge, but that only leads us to focus at the task at hand. We know that we will each have the support of our brothers and we are committed to making this thing work," he said.

TKE

"It will take the dedication of these men to make it work, although the University will support them as we would any other organization in the campus community," Irwin said. "I don't see any obstacles to TKE regaining Tower House for fall semester next year."

Johnston also stresses the importance of the ability of the new TKE members to take charge and control the process.

The current members of the TKE recolonization effort are Tom Bitting '05, Vice President David Caribardi '05, Treasurer Jay Del Moore '05, Sergeant at Arms Nick Gallo '05, Eric Graham '05, Mike Grube '05, Aaron Hanlon '04, Rich Karcher '05, New Member Educator and Secretary Stephen Keiluhn '05, Rush Chairman Christopher Mack '05, Thomas Maslin '05, Kevin Powers '05, Puro, Briant Raves '05, Siwicki and Historian Duff Weber '05.

Expo brings job hunt to campus

By Jennifer Jenchura
Senior Writer

The annual Employer Expo, sponsored by the Career Development Center (CDC), was held last Friday in the Fieldhouse. The Expo exhibited 72 different organizations, nine more than last year, and 20 first-time organizations. With approximately 600 students registering for the event, including about 300 seniors, total student attendance was consistent with last year's numbers.

"We were able to bring more new organizations to campus than in the past," CDC Manager of Networking Events Diane Honey said.

From 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., the Fieldhouse enjoyed high participation, as students continuously stopped by, looking to learn more about possible job opportunities.

"We aggressively went after new businesses to bring new employers to the Expo. Despite the economy, there are still good opportunities out there. However, we only wanted organizations that had meaningful opportunities to offer students," CDC Director Laura Denbow said.

Employers had positive comments about the students who attended.

"Many organizations commented on how students were well prepared and well researched about the companies in attendance," Denbow said.

Organizations recruiting on campus brought back over 100 University alumni to participate in the expo.

For the second year in a row, the CDC distributed University pins to alumni recruiters returning to campus. Shaped like the school crest, recruiters easily stood out.

"The pins help to facilitate conversation in what can be an intimidating situation for students," Denbow said.

"We were surprised by how many people brought their pins back from last year. Seeing the pin and knowing that a recruiter is a Bucknell alum is an easy way to break the ice," Honey said.

Matt Hawley '03 spent the summer working for General Electric (GE) and will work full-time for GE after graduation. Although he is not currently an employee, he worked at the GE booth during the Expo.

"It was a little strange to be a company representative standing behind the tables last week, particularly since I'm still an undergraduate. Instead of walking from table to table trying to make the best first impression I could, I was the recruiter. The Expo is a great way for students to get to learn about employers, and for employers to get interested in Bucknell students," Hawley said. "The CDC does a fantastic job at bringing recruiters to Bucknell for the campus community."

Many companies brought back senior employees as well as recent graduates to talk about their organization. Bringing back alumni is purposeful not only for students, but for organizations as well.

"Bringing someone who has organizational history is important. In a tight job market, more alums are becoming apart of the decision-making process. Recent graduates know Bucknell and know about the Bucknell activities students have on their resumes. Recent graduates can give insight to senior decision makers on whom to hire," Denbow said.

"Recent graduates are not in the same shoes as students anymore, but they can give insight into the working world for current students and, at the same time, help their organization hire quality students," Honey said.

Companies such as GE employ this strategy.

"There are a lot of high-caliber, high-talent students on this campus and as a company representative, it's exciting to see the people that will be working for us someday. As the GE Campus Ambassador, I was representing my company and was looking for Bucknellians that would have the 'GE fit,'" Hawley said.

The CDC also hosted several events to help students prepare for the Expo, including resume critiques and mock interview sessions with employers participating at the Expo.

"With so many employers coming to campus we wanted to introduce venues beyond Expo," Denbow said.

The night prior to the Expo, the CDC sponsored a preparation session that included Eli Lilly District Manager Dale Lindsay talking about "The World of Work" and what specific traits he looks for in students who apply to his organization.

"With over 100 students in attendance, it was the biggest prep session for a networking event," Honey said.

The CDC realizes the importance of prep sessions. Before the upcoming New York City Finance Career Fair, several students who obtained internships as a result of last year's fair will be on hand at the prep session for that event.

In addition to employers collecting hard copy resumes at the Expo, many companies in attendance also requested that serious candidates apply online through the Bridge, the CDC's recruiting software. Most companies tell students to apply through the Internet because it has the recruiting interview schedule.

"The Expo is a chance to exchange a resume for a business card. It gets the student's name out there and employers may jot down notes on the back about the candidate's enthusiasm or other notes about the contact. When the resume is submitted again online, employers may prioritize students to interview based on the comments made on the resume received at the Expo. There is a matching process," Denbow said. "The resume posted on the Bridge should not be the students' first interaction with the employer. I imagine lots of students writing thank-you notes to employers they talked with to again let the company know they are very interested."

Even if a student needs to resubmit a resume online, the Expo is a way to start a relationship.

"By the time the employer reads the interview online, the relationship has already started," Honey said.

Collecting paper resumes is also a way for organizations to gauge their competition.

"When companies see resumes online for a position they are offering, they have no idea how many resumes were posted for similar positions with different firms. Companies that gauge their competition with a physical stack of paper are more apt to act harder to recruit students if they don't feel they have collected as many resumes as their competition," Denbow said.

The CDC stresses the importance of finding out when your industry's hiring campaign begins.

"The Expo is the beginning of the job hunt season. Some industries will not hire until later, but it is a good idea to being preparations now," Denbow said.

Industries not fully represented at the Expo, such as the communication and arts industries, have later hiring dates.

"We have so many fairs, such as the Finance Fair in New York City in October and the Communication Fair in the spring, because that is when that particular industry typically hires. Many companies, especially non-profit organizations, do not have resources to come to campus and do not have the money for large training and recruiting programs," Denbow said.

Next month, the second annual Parent to Student Networking Event will be held the Friday of Parents Weekend. Industries such as advertising, consulting and finance will be represented.

Future networking events include Career Panels on Nov. 7, with 10 different career panels composed of alumni in several different industries including law, nonprofit, engineering and health.

Special career nights exclusively for University students will be held in certain cities over winter break. There will be a University presence at each event.

Sojka

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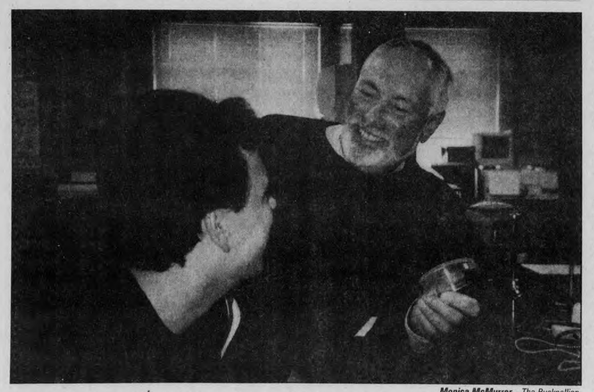

Monica McMurrer—The Bucknellian

Purdue University recently awarded former University President and Professor of Biology Gary Sojka with an honorary doctorate. Sojka attended Purdue for his masters and doctorate studies. Now back in the classroom teaching biology, Sojka hopes the award will bring recognition to the University in other parts of the nation.

President's Commission.

University students are not surprised that Sojka is being honored for teaching excellence because they get to experience it first-hand.

"He's got a good personality and is really easy to get along with," Nick Purdy '03 said. "He really knows how to initiate a good class discussion."

"... to receive what they consider to be their 'highest honor' brings a certain level of satisfaction."
— Professor of Biology ***Gary Sojka***

"Sojka was a great professor to have as a first-year student due to his ability to motivate," Jess Kerper '03 said. "He made the foundation seminar enjoyable by adding his entertaining personal anecdotes."

Sojka's biological interests also pervade his home life. He and his wife, Sandy, raise the rare Tunis breed of domestic sheep. The Tunis sheep are an endangered breed and were first introduced to America in Colonial times, and were raised by other great presidents like George Washington and Thomas Jefferson.

News

World Briefs

Compiled by Sandi-Jo Galati
Courtesy of MSNBC.com

U.S. children rescued in Ivory Coast

ABIDJAN, Ivory Coast—French troops secured a school in a rebel-held Ivory Coast city on Wednesday, evacuating some 100 American children and others trapped amid the West African nation's deadliest uprising. The mission came as U.S. troops, deployed to protect or evacuate Americans, arrived Wednesday in the capital, Yamossoukro, and in neighboring Ghana.

NATO prepares military overhaul

WARSAW, Poland—NATO must quickly refocus its military muscle so it can "root out and destroy" threats from terrorists or renegade states, the head of the alliance told defense ministers Tuesday at the start of talks to overhaul the 53-year-old alliance. "NATO played a key role in defeating the threats of the Cold War," Secretary-General George Robertson said. "We must now transform our alliance so that it can play an equally pivotal part in the war against terrorism and the dangers of weapons of mass destruction."As part of that transformation, Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld was to present plans for a rapid response force of about 20,000 U.S., European and Canadian troops capable of mobilizing for combat within a week to 30 days.

Spanish lawmakers debate current tax on diapers

MADRID, Spain—Opposition lawmakers called on Spain's government Wednesday to stop taxing diapers at 16 percent, the same rate as cigarettes and alcohol. Prime Minister Jose Maria Aznar's conservative government used to tax feminine hygiene products at 16 percent, but recently agreed to lower the rate to 7 percent under pressure from the Socialist Party.

Israel unmoved by U.S. criticism

JERUSALEM—Israel stood defiant on Wednesday against pressure from Washington to lift a siege of Yasser Arafat's compound that could hurt U.S. efforts to contain Middle East tensions ahead of possible war with Iraq. Prime Minister Ariel Sharon's government did not respond publicly to a U.S. request to abide by a U.N. resolution calling for an immediate end to the six-day-old siege of the Palestinian leader's headquarters. But Israeli diplomatic sources said Israel had no intention of complying.

India fears more Hindu-Muslim riots

GANDHINAGAR, India—India deployed thousands of troops to prevent an eruption of Hindu-Muslim rioting Wednesday after attackers besieged a major Hindu temple complex in a raid that left 32 people dead, most of them worshippers. India blamed its bitter rival Pakistan for the attack, which lasted 14 hours until Indian commandos stormed the temple at dawn Wednesday and killed the two gunmen. Pakistan denied the accusation, which hiked up tensions between the nuclear-armed neighbors.

Australian Aborigines win back huge area of desert

SYDNEY, Australia—An Australian state has agreed to hand back a slice of desert more than four times the size of Belgium to its traditional Aboriginal owners 50 years after they were driven out. The sprawling state of Western Australia expected a court to ratify this week a deal to return 136,000 square km (53,000 square miles) of land to the 2,000-strong Martu people, a representative for deputy state premier Eric Ripper said on Wednesday.

Myanmar says to reopen Thai border in a few weeks

BANGKOK—Myanmar Foreign Minister Win Aung held four hours of talks with his Thai counterpart aimed at restoring battered bilateral ties on Wednesday and later said Myanmar would soon reopen its border with Thailand. Win Aung told reporters trade along the border would resume in a few weeks.

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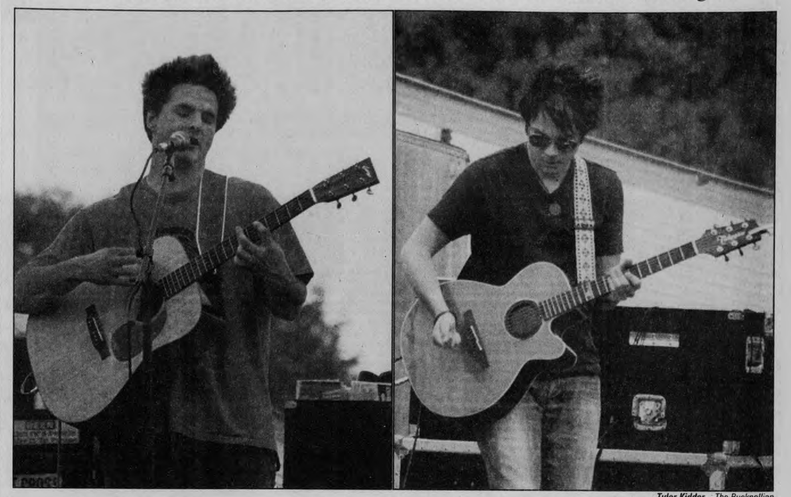
Fall Fest yields to dreary weather

Over 700 students turn out to enjoy free concert and food before rain begins



Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian

Dispatch front man Pete Francis (left) and singer-songwriter Howie Day (right) played as part of the free outdoor concert Saturday. Despite the rainy weather, Fall Fest activities continued into the night, with performances by Francis and the The And Band at Uptown.

By Elisabeth Salemme
Staff Writer

The first Fall Fest was held at the University, uphill behind the Langone Center, on Saturday. The event, which included music, games and food, ended early due to rain.

Fall Fest featured singer-songwriter Howie Day, lead singer Pete Francis of Dispatch and disc jockey Gary Thaniel (DJGT) '04. The And Band was scheduled to perform but was unable to due to rain, but opened for Francis Saturday night at Uptown instead.

"The feedback thus far has all been great. Students loved both Pete Francis and Howie Day," Dean of Campus Activities and Programs Kari Conrad said.

Other activities at the event included tables set up by the sophomore, junior and senior classes. The sophomore table held a pie throwing contest, a ring toss and twister games and provided candy. The junior class provided pizza and the senior class gave away candy.

According to Bucknell Student Government (BSG) President Amir Sadaghiani '03, more than 750 students attended the event.

"Although the weather didn't cooperate towards the end, I think it was a good event and the students who attended really seemed to enjoy it," Conrad said. "It was a laid-back event and both Howie Day and Pete Francis were more than willing to chat with students, give autographs and take pictures. I definitely think we are ready, willing and excited to make this an annual event."

According to Conrad, Fall Fest was an idea that arose in BSG last spring when students indicated they wanted to see more outdoor concert events at the University.

In the past, Sadaghiani said, non-University members accounted for more than 50 percent of the audience at campus concerts. He said that the BSG and students expressed concern about this and suggested a large event in the fall be held as an enjoyable activity for students to attend.

Class of 2004 President Francisco Sanchez organized Fall Fest. He secured the funding from BSG, especially from the sophomore class, and gained support from BSG, including the four class governance groups, the Concert Committee and Activities and Campus Events (ACE).

"I thought it was a really good turnout for an event that has not been done before. I look forward for next year's, for which the planning will start next semester," Sanchez said.

Conrad handled the administrative aspects associated with Fall Fest. She made contracts, coordinated schedules, organized the sound and lighting and helped organize production.

"Basically students discussed what they wanted the event to be and I worked with them to make it happen," Conrad said.

According to Britz, the sophomore class contributed more than $700 to the event. The junior and senior classes also provided funding.

"I think it was a success even with the rain. People who came had a wonderful time. As long as the weather holds out, Fall Fest could become a fall tradition," Britz said. "It could be better if each class could have taken on more. We had a temporary committee for the event this year, but I would like to see a permanent committee with fundraising."

"We are working to make [Fall Fest] a permanent event and we are trying to get some permanent funding. Some improvements that we will try to make are to put a full tent over the stage in case of rain, and we will try to get more campus clubs and organizations involved."
—BSG President ***Amir Sadaghiani*** *'03*

Sadaghiani also indicated that Fall Fest is likely to become an annual University event.

"We are working to make [Fall Fest] a permanent event and we are trying to get some permanent funding," Sadaghiani said. "Some improvements that we will try to make are to put a full tent over the stage in case of rain, and we will try to get more campus clubs and organizations involved. This year's Fall Fest only had four booths, but with more than 120 clubs on campus, we would like to have 30 or 40 booths to show what they are about."

"I want to thank everyone for coming. It was great how people stayed, even when it was raining, to help clean up," Sanchez said.

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News

Fire Chief speaks about Sept. 11

By Jim Leahy
Senior Writer

Speaking at the Weis Center, New York Fire Chief Richard Picciotto recalled the morning of Sept. 11 at his firehouse on Manhattan's Upper West Side. As part of a lecture series and promotional tour for his new book, "Last Man Down," Picciotto brought his story, along with powerful pictures of the morning of Sept. 11, to the University Tuesday night.

In his new book, Picciotto recounts the harrowing details of his trip into and up the World Trade Center, the ride down and the escape from the rubble. The account has been widely acclaimed. *The Washington Times* said the book "grabs the reader by the collar as the north tower collapses. So gut wrenching is the telling, one is tempted to hope that the rumble of American B-52s over Afghanistan sounds as terrifying to the enemy as the 'sick, black noise' that enveloped Chief Picciotto and his men that day."

As a 28-year veteran of the force and Chief of Battalion 11, Picciotto was an experienced member of the force and a dedicated firefighter. Sitting around and enjoying the company of his fellow firefighters, the call came to turn on the television. Knowing the consequences of what he saw more than most—Picciotto was one of the first on the scene when the World Trade Center was bombed in 1993—he asked for permission to go downtown. He also knew that Sept. 11 "was going to be the worst day of my life."

Picciotto arrived on the scene after both planes had hit and entered the north tower. He knew there were people above the fire—he saw many of them jumping from as many as 110 stories up—and he wanted to get to them. Knowing that rescue was his main mission, Picciotto led his group up the narrow stairwells. The firefighters were carrying 60-100 pounds of equipment up the 42-inch wide stairwells. The building had three of these stairwells and over 40 elevator shafts where more than 90 elevators worked to get the more than 25,000 people that worked inside each tower to their offices. But the elevators were useless at that point.

As he reached the 35th floor, the south tower of the complex began to collapse. He explained that from above, the amazing noise of collapse began to get closer. The noise was as loud as anyone could imagine multiplied by 100. With the collapse passing the floor he was on, he could feel the noise inside him and then seconds later everything was quiet.

As the top official in the tower, he made an instant decision to evacuate any firefighters inside and get as many people as possible out. Picciotto was on his way down when his crew came across a group of disabled workers on the 12th floor. While he and his group mobilized the disabled workers, the noise and wind began again—however, this time it was his building going down. As the noise got louder, Picciotto remembers seeing his wife and kids flash in front of him, praying very loudly and asking, "Please God, make it quick."

When the noise and motion finally stopped, he realized that he was alive. Calling around him, there were other voices. In all, Picciotto found that there were 12 firefighters, one Port Authority Police Officer and Josephine, one of the disabled workers, alive in the stairwell.

Keeping as calm as he could, Picciotto attempted to contact the outside world. About five hours later, the entire group was rescued alive. When he emerged, he surveyed the eerie scene. "I thought it was a nuclear bomb—there was utter devastation, twisted metal and buildings on fire," he said.

Picciotto realizes that the events of that day have changed the country. He said that the best in America was realized, new values were instilled and there is a greater emphasis on friends and family now. He also realizes that there is a need to support the firefighters in the country because "they are on the front lines in the war against terror."

Picciotto will retire at the end of this year, but his son will be taking the test to become a New York City firefighter and to carry on a family legacy.

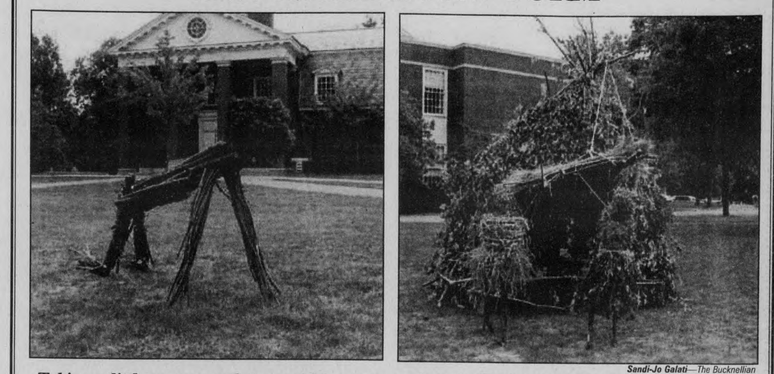
The Student Lectureship Committee sponsored Picciotto's appearance in the Weis Center. Committee Chair Merisa Levine '05 said Picciotto was chosen because the committee thought that "this would be an excellent way for the Bucknell community to continue to reflect on the events of Sept. 11."

"[I] was really impressed by his account of Sept. 11. I think that he gave the Bucknell community a personal account of the events of Sept. 11 that will leave a mark on their lives. His account truly moved me and I was impressed with the poise and grace that he delivered his speech," Levine said.

"Even though it has been a year, I feel that Picciotto brought the reality of Sept. 11 home to Bucknell. He told the straight story as seen through the eyes of a survivor and firefighter," Nora Samuelson '05 said. "Merisa Levine deserves many thanks for her hard work to make the event happen."

Although the events of Sept. 11 have been covered over and over again, this is the first time I have heard a firsthand account. I, and most of the students and members of the community that I spoke with after the talk, felt that having Chief Picciotto here to give us his experience would help bring closure to that day of infamy," Kang Tchou '05 said.

Art takes a new form



Sandi-Jo Galati—*The Bucknellian*

Taking a little over a week to complete, seven students in Professor of Art William Lasansky's Elementary Sculpture class constructed the monuments seen last week in the Academic Quad. Required only to build a "dwelling" out of sticks and branches found near the Art Barn, the students decided to build an array of inhabitants as well.

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enced his platform and was a factor in his decision to run for public office.

"I'm a physician and I've spent half my life in medicine. I know the system, the good things and the bad things, and I am most familiar with the medical issues. I've always been involved in education and I feel that I know about those issues, too," Stechschulte said.

Stechschulte served on the Lewisburg School Board for 18 months and has worked at the University as the Medical Director for the past 10 years.

Born and raised in Pittsburgh, Stechschulte proceeded to earn a B.A. at Denison University, a Master of Divinity at Princeton Theological Seminary and an M.D. from the Universidad Central del Este in the Dominican Republic.

> *"To say I support the war on drugs isn't enough. It isn't helping central Pennsylvania."*
> ***—Donald Stechschulte,** medical director of Student Health Services*

Stechschulte describe his time in the Dominican Republic as "an incredible new experience," and has since been involved in the Bucknell Brigade.

"Dr. Stechschulte is a man of the greatest integrity and concern for the welfare of others," said Charles Pollock '70, vice president of student affairs. "He has demonstrated this in innumerable ways over time, from his local community service to his pivotal role with the Bucknell Brigade, to his dedication to the university's students. He would make a wonderful public servant of any kind."

For Stechschulte, the bottom line is "we can do better!" These words echo throughout his announcement for candidacy and his Web site (www.electastech.org).

With regard to national defense, Stechschulte asked, "Having us involved as a military presence around the world, is that necessary? We are supposed to be the most advanced democracy ... I think we can do better."

Stechschulte also claims the war on drugs is not working.

"To say I support the war on drugs isn't enough. It isn't helping central Pennsylvania," Stechschulte said.

After citing Pennsylvania as the location with the highest opium overdoses in the nation, he proposed putting our money to better use and trying new options.

"I think what I would like to bring to the position is looking at problems from the same perspective that one looks at medical problems," Stechschulte said. "One of the downsides to being a physician is that you have to tell people bad news, but you tell them the truth. I think very few are willing to stand up and say that we have a problem today."

Director of Financial Aid Laszewski leaves

By Jaclyn Carr
Writer

After 23 years of service, Ronald T. Laszewski has left his position at the University as Director of Financial Aid.

Laszewski will be working with the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency in Harrisburg, managing state grants and handling loans for Pennsylvania citizens.

"It is always difficult to lose people with that number of years at the University," Vice President for Enrollment Management Kurt Thiede said.

Laszewski has always been very involved with financial aid organizations. Before his career at the University, he was president of the Pennsylvania Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators.

"The job of replacing 23 years of experience at Bucknell will definitely be a challenging one; the search committee has its work cut out for it," Thiede said.

The search committee is already reviewing applicants for the position and two to three candidates will be invited back to the campus sometime in mid-October.

"The search is well in place in moving forward to set leadership for the future," Thiede said. "We are working closely with staff iduring this time of transition."

Dennis Hopple, who is working with the search committee, hopes to secure a new head of financial aid before the admissions process for the Class of 2007 begins.

"The financial aid department can now focus on looking for a new director since the admissions process has come to a close and won't start up again until November and December when early decision applications begin to arrive," Hopple said.

The director of financial aid is a significant position, since the University loans out $45 million in financial aid to students. Presently, a little less than half of University students are on financial aid. These numbers are slowly evening out as the years progress as changes occur in economics and student demographics.

At the Open House this past weekend for the fall class of 2007, about 75-100 people sat in on the financial aid session that was held.

The position also stresses a public relations aspect. Families and students go through a lengthy process that may include meeting with the financial aid director to discuss the amount of the loan being given.

"The Director of Financial Aid is a very important position in many ways, but particularly in terms of balancing a tremendous financial responsibility to the University with the need to treat each individual student's situation carefully," Thiede said.

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The Bucknellian Editorial

Weekend filled with fun and unique activities

Last weekend, the University provided three successful events. Friday's Pub Night at Uptown, Saturday afternoon's Fall Fest and Saturday night's football game proved to bring University students together and gave students a variety of options for the weekend.

Approximately 170 people showed up at Uptown throughout the night, despite the fact that the Lewisburg Pub Crawl was the same night. Also, the weekend was the first that fraternities could have registered parties. According to Manager of Uptown Tasha Henderson, people generally stayed at Uptown for one to two hours. Staying for that amount of time illustrates that students were not merely stopping at Uptown before going somewhere else. Instead, students used the venue to spend time with friends.

Students at Uptown were given a bracelet with three tabs that could be traded for wine, beer or soda. According to Henderson, many students left Uptown with tabs still on their bracelets. This again shows that students were not necessarily going to Uptown to get all free drinks.

Even though most of the comments about the night were positive, students suggested that instead of a disc jockey, background music be played. This change would make it easier for students to have conversations without having to shout over the music.

Despite Saturday's rain, Fall Fest was a fun activity for students and other members of the University community. More than 750 people attended the event. Like Pub Night, Fall Fest gave students and others an opportunity to enjoy the festivities in a laid back atmosphere. Both Howie Day and Dispatch's Pete Francis signed autographs after the show.

The idea for Fall Fest came about last year when students expressed interest in having more outdoor concerts. Although well attended, Fall Fest would have been more of a success had it not prematurely ended due to rain. The And Band delayed its show until later that evening because of rain.

A third unique and well-attended event of the weekend was Saturday night's football game. The attendance at this game showed that the University community has school spirit. The University should have more night football games. Not only do more people attend night games than day games, but the night games also provide another activity to fill a weekend night.

The Bucknellian praises the University for its efforts for holding three successful events last weekend. Many times, students complain about the lack of things going on at the University. Last weekend's Pub Night, Fall Fest and night football game gave students many fun and unique options.

Bush has plans for next empire

By Mike Niebauer
Senior Writer

Two articles in recent issues of *The New Yorker* clearly illustrate the intellectual groundwork the Bush administration is following concerning the situation in Iraq.

It is no accident that this White House has articulated such an organized opposition to Iraq. Vice President Richard Cheney, at the end of the first Bush presidency, formed a team from the Defense and State Departments and academia to plan the next quarter century in world politics.

National Security Advisor Condoleezza Rice, Deputy Secretary of Defense Paul Wolfowitz, former National Security Council Director for Near East and South Asian Affairs Richard Haass and other notables are known by one former Pentagon official as "the resistance is futile crowd," which describes their fixated obsession on their developed worldview. Their effort is admirable; they have been working on it since 1991. The sad fact is that it will keep the United States the prime target of hostilities for the foreseeable future.

Within three years, if the military expenditures already in the legislative pipeline are fully funded, the United States will be spending more than the entire defense and military budgets of the rest of the world combined. If the ideas developed over the last decade or so "happen," we will need all of those funds.

Think of an overwhelming international force that can enforce its will in every sphere of influence. The Cheney policy group is working toward and honestly proposing a "no compromise stance" against all powers that disagree with our foreign policy and economic issues.

If this sounds like the power grab of an empire, you are paying proper attention.

The world has not seen anything like this situation since the end of the Roman Empire. The Chinese press has called this new idea, perhaps properly describing it as, "offensive realism" that declares a strategy of preemptive policies military and otherwise against any power that may oppose U.S. policy.

What does this say about the future? Perhaps what is worked out in this policy group during a decade-long idea exchange needs a rethink:

How can we operate in an interconnected, global economy as if people on one side of one border have preeminence over everyone else? This whole U.S. exclusivity concept is not sustainable economically since without "those other people" buying our exports, our economy deteriorates.

The "offensive" nature of the Cheney group's ideas will continually need reassessment since it will generate opposition from other powers (China, India, European Union, etc.) as natural resources run out and the policy goes into a mode of foreign policy for strategic minerals and energy supplies.

Are we to believe that the rest of the world will quietly stand by while the United States is grabbing for the last of the world's highly prized commodities like oil and fresh water resources? Rome did not begin as an empire, it became one over time. Are we sure we want to take a similar route in the 21st century?

Bush has not asked the American people to change our wasteful economic lifestyles one bit. The marketplace fundamentalism of his policy believes that any bad news will harm markets so we will not address them domestically, foreign policy will take care of resource shortages or politically embarrassing corporate scandals.

To have us obsessively seek foreign natural resources through foreign policy is obviously morally suspect. This "might is right" attitude combined with a denial about the realities of limited resources in a world fossil fuel-based economy is unsustainable and will ultimately fail. We will need that military advantage, or to rethink this new American policy attitude or prepare to be a perpetual target.

United States wants to start war in order to stop war

By Kevin Brown
Writer

Last week President George W. Bush went before the United Nations asking for support in a war against Iraq. Stating that the integrity of the United Nations would be ruined if it did not act, Bush warned that the United States would be ready to fight a war with or without U.N. support. But even at home, many people, including members of Bush's staff, are skeptical about the need to go back to the Persian Gulf.

Brent Scowcroft, National Security adviser to Bush's father said, "An attack on Iraq would seriously jeopardize, if not destroy, the global counterterrorist campaign we have undertaken." Saddam Hussein is a problem, that is clear, it was clear in 1995, it was clear in 1998 also, but what isn't clear is why our president is hastily trying to go to war.

Attacking Iraq is like trying to squeeze an extra helping onto an already full plate of problems.

Many will argue that because of Sept. 11 we should preemptively strike our enemies. Get them today so they won't get us tomorrow. Using that same logic, we know who our enemy is (al-Qaida), and we have removed them from power in Afghanistan. Iraq was not involved on Sept. 11 and has even kept a relatively low profile of late, considering its track record. If everything in the world was fun and games, and Saddam and Iraq were the last stronghold of "evil" (if we want to hedonistically categorize things), then maybe an attack on Iraq would seem justified, but there are other problems that require our immediate attention.

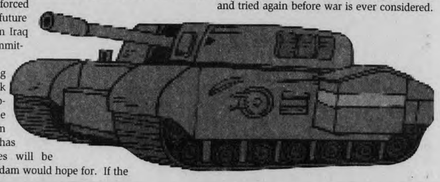
We should be following up with our ventures in Afghanistan, training U.S. military and attempting to establish a legitimate and accepted government. We should also be doing more to aid our sagging economy at home. Attacking Iraq is like trying to squeeze an extra helping onto an already full plate of problems. After defeating Iraq in a war, our country would be forced to station troops there in the future to ensure peace. Any war in Iraq will become a long-term commitment.

The most important thing to keep in mind when we look at this issue "What will happen if we invade Iraq?" The operation will likely start from the air, and after superiority has been gained, ground forces will be moved in, which is what Saddam would hope for. If the United States is caught in an urban jungle war all of our superior technology and information will be useless. The results could be an asphalt Vietnam. In a mock-up of an urban combat site, 22 of the 27 Marines involved were "killed" in an enhanced game of lazer tag.

Perhaps a more recognizable example of this would be from the 1993 campaign in Somalia, as illustrated by the recent film "Black Hawk Down." In the film, 18 Marines were killed in brutal street fighting in under 24 hours. U.S. military sources said that fatality rates could be in the neighborhood of 30 percent. That figure combined with the threat of chemical weapons of which Saddam is rumored to have built up a large supply, could produce horrible effects for our troops and civilians.

Aside from the direct effects of a potentially drawn out urban war, there are other things to worry about. The Gulf War helped foster the hatred of al-Qaida terrorist group, so the possibility exists that we could create new enemies by trying to stamp out an old enemy. Also, assuming that the United Nations refuses to participate in the invasion, what will the other countries hanging delicately in the balance of Middle Eastern peace, think of our actions? Another minor consideration (in comparison to the loss of human life) is what a war in the Mid East will do for oil prices in America. These are only some of the question marks that come to mind.

I leave you with this: From 1945-1990, America had the U.S.S.R. as an enemy, which posed a threat in a way that Saddam can not even dream of, yet not one shot was fired. We won that war through the patience of many long years. We waited and watched as system of government was abandoned and a new one, similar to ours, was adopted. If we can live with that threat for that long, then I think our only course of action is to show patience. War should be the ultimate last alternative; all diplomatic solutions should be tried and tried again before war is ever considered.



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Opinions

Possible to be homosexual *and* Christian

By Phil Martoma
Senior Writer

I was browsing the Web yesterday and happened to visit a site called godhatesfags.com. I must say that I found it to be a laugh at first, reading and pointing to the many fallacies of logic that the great Rev. Fred Phelps has to say on the issue of homosexuality and religion. Normally, I have a relatively thick skin when it comes to this particular issue and will not be easily moved by the common criticisms some Christians make against homosexuals. This is most probably because when I find myself in the midst of an argument between Christians and homosexuals, I realize that I always end up in the middle being both a Christian and a homosexual. Yes, that's right! Don't look back and reread that last sentence! I am a Christian AND a homosexual.

Being a member of both groups tends to cause friends from both sides to razz me about both issues. Yes, I used the word razz, so I'm gay and not that hip. Nevertheless, I found it interesting when one student told me that she felt completely disenchanted with Christianity in general because of all the groups it oppresses (including homosexuals), and couldn't wait for its eventual extinction as an opiate to the masses. Yes, she used the word opiate to the masses … I have weird friends. In any event, I have never recognized any contradiction between my sexual orientation and my belief in God. However, many people do, and don't hesitate to tell me so.

More often than not, people who are disenchanted with Christianity like to point to its flaws in trying reach out to all people while leaving so many disempowered and oppressed. You see examples of this when mainstream churches (which rarely agree on anything) can always agree to deny the sanctification of gay marriages. Also, it will be a big theological jump before we see true equality, and women are allowed to be priests or other church leaders in all mainstream denominations. I understand the church is ages away from being an equal opportunity employer. Yet, I do not think this should be equated with disenchantment with God, which is a separate issue.

Still, when I talk to other Christians, it does seem there is a lack of urgency or immediacy to the cause of helping historically disempowered groups see that their claims and desires are met. I think most people feel this way and they do not agree with those Christians like the Phelps who take the spotlight most often. Sometimes, though, I admit, the deeds and actions of other Christians can make me truly disgusted with being a Christian. I was emotionally, and spiritually hurt today when I saw that godhatesfags.com's picture of Matthew Shepard burning in hell complete with his dire screams saying, "For God's sake! Listen to Phelps!" Phelps' message that homosexuals will burn in hell is old and provincial at best and sensationalistic at worst. I say this because people who claim to be men of God should not simply use arguments full of fallacies to gain attention which more credence to those who would say our religion is only about hate-speech.

What I think is interesting is that the Bucknell Conservatives Club has published articles in past issues of their "Counterweight" claiming that the rights of those who believe homosexuality is a sin are stifled because of the acts of the University's policies to promote tolerance. However, such articles were written by Christians. In one of their initial e-mails to the campus, they included a statement saying that students should join if they felt that Christians have just as much a right to speak as homosexuals. How they presume such a dichotomy is beyond me. My only response to them is that the Christians who write such statements are forgetting that the Lord certainly made more than one commandment and they (as Christians) seem to be choosing selectively which ones should be shouted the loudest. They forget that the Bible also says that we (Christians) are endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit.

If the Conservatives Club is at all powered by Christians, then I would challenge anyone one of them to come to the Friends of Lesbians and Gays, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) meetings in order seek to ally spiritually with those who are different from them rather than simply saying that LGBT folk are immoral. I would challenge any one of them to make a bond with me as a fellow Christian, before ignoring me as a gay rights activist. If they can only do the latter, then they prove here and now that one group is truly more accepting than the other. If that is the case then it would appear that my non-Christian friends are acting in more of a Christian manner than many of these Christians. I personally would be split in half if I believed that had to be the case. I do believe it is possible to be both a Christian and a homosexual, despite the objections of those who would disagree with me.

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Taboos should not enter everyday life

By Katie Parker
Senior Writer

There's nothing taboo about actually being a woman. I'm a woman, maybe you are, and we all know lots of them … no problems, right?

The fact remains that many aspects of femininity remain cultural taboos, despite the fact that we make up half of the population. In some cases, these taboos are remnants of patriarchal society; in other cases, they are the result of social pressures inflicted on women by women themselves. In no way am I suggesting that everybody plays into these cultural stereotypes, but if you are a woman, you have at one time been a victim of one of these misattributions; therefore, I feel they are important to address in some type of public forum.

The major taboos still present in our culture are sexual. One, the anatomically correct term for a woman's genitalia, "vagina," still sends our culture into an uproar, as evidenced by the hotly contested debate surrounding "The Vagina Monologues" on campus and across the nation. Many people have argued that it's not the word that really matters, but rather the "negative" messages being conveyed about the word, and the lack of positive male representation within the play itself.

But come on. It's not really the messages being conveyed about the vagina, because we see and hear those types of messages all the time. Our culture's increasing tolerance of pornography suggests that open images of female masturbation and sexual pleasure are socially acceptable, provided that they are displayed as deviant and disconnected. These images are no longer exclusive to the underworld of pornography, as they now crop up on cable television and in music videos.

Our society's comfort with female sexuality even extends to the Susquehanna Valley Mall, where vibrators and lubricants are available in Spencer Gifts, suggesting that autonomous female sexuality is fine as long as you're willing to pay for (and subject yourself to) the cute consumerist version.

So the issue with Eve Ensler's play is probably not a virtuous knee-jerk reaction to the lack of positive sexual messages, but rather the implications of reclaiming the cold and clinical word "vagina" as a proud and positive term—the idea that it can be spoken and heard without a sense of deviance or shame, the idea that it doesn't have to be hidden behind a million negative colloquialisms to be acceptable.

Another sexual taboo in our culture is that of menstruation (yes, boys and girls, I went there). Of course I'm not suggesting that anybody be absolutely in-your-face with her period, because, as most bodily functions should be, it's a fairly private thing. However, most women are taught from a very young age to be especially private about menstruation to avoid ridicule from classmates, and, as we get older, to avoid having our menstrual cycle be considered as some sort of character flaw. How many times are women accused of having PMS because they are angry, tired or snappy? How many times do women themselves attribute their feelings to PMS in order to downplay the response to their true emotions?

There are two reasons that this type of misattribution is dangerous: 1) because it forces women to justify and account for any emotions that they feel are not culturally acceptable, and 2) because it reinforces a stereotype that menstruating women are angry and bitter creatures, in turn reinforcing the belief that menstruation itself is corrupt and dissolute. This silence is dangerous because menstruation is a health issue in a long line of hushed women's health concerns (rape, abortion, eating disorders) that will never be fully addressed unless women feel safe and comfortable enough in our society to address them.

A final cultural taboo that is particularly relevant to our campus is the taboo on "feminism." A woman who proclaims herself a feminist will immediately be met in most circles with resistance and sometimes ridicule. This taboo is based on a stereotype of "radical feminism," which makes up a tiny portion of feminism. By definition, a feminist is someone who supports organized activity on the behalf of women's rights and interests, and someone who supports theories of political, economic and social equality of the sexes (which means that even guys can be feminists, and there are several male feminists on this campus). "Feminist" should not be equated with "dyke" or "man-hater," and it certainly shouldn't produce the type of narrow-minded defensive response that it frequently does from both men and women. Yet it does, because culturally there remains something inherently subversive about a group of women congregating to combat cultural norms and standards relating to their sex.

The only way to fight these cultural taboos is to stop allowing them to filter through our day-to-day discourse. By allowing them to continue, you are not only hindering the development and recognition of women as equal citizens of the world, but you are reinforcing the stereotype that femininity and feminine sexuality are subversive and wrong.

Letter to the editor

Ceremony provides chance for self examination

To the Editor,

I write to disagree about a particular point in your Sept. 13 editorial. While I agree that the program, "Remembrance, Reflection and Renewal" was important for the community to mark Sept. 11, and I share your sentiments that the event was carefully planned and served a useful purpose, I disagree with the negative perceptions of Rabbi Serena Fujita's remarks.

As an educator at an institution of higher learning, the rabbi called on us to reflect on the long-lasting effects of that tragic day. Drawing on the traditions of her faith, she asked us to consider what had transpired in the last year and to reflect on our individual and collective responses. While praising the United States as "a great society," one whose citizens rallied to show support in the days and weeks after our nation was attacked, Fujita pointed out that in the estimation of many and in the eyes of the international community, there are ways in which we as a nation, and indeed the global community, fell short of a transformative response to suffering and loss. She asked that as we move through our grief and dismay, we contemplate the question "how can we internalize what were true acts of kindness and continue to perform them without the stimulus of a tragic event?" How can we transform this monumental experience, take pride in the heroes, unite as a people, show strength and support to make the world a better place?

To me the request was entirely appropriate; rather than interpret it as a negative outlook on humanity, I believe the speaker was calling us to look deeper into our individual behavior and national actions, to reach farther across the divides of history, wealth, religion and culture, and to strive toward the best of what we can be, through truly united acts of compassion and duty to humanity.

The word rabbi means teacher. Sometimes the most effective teachers are those that move us from our comfort zone, challenge us to think about alternatives to the way things are, and push us toward solving problems that seem impossible. I personally Rabbi Fujita for being willing to say what might make some uncomfortable and for calling us to be our best selves.

Sincerely,
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Off campus living coming to an end

By Aaron Hanlon
Staff Writer

Apparently, soured town-gown relations and a few incidences of public urination have ruined it for all of us. The University wants to eliminate the option of off-campus living and bring us all under its "protective" umbrella of mass regulation. In all likelihood, some Lewisburg residents are also ready to kick University students back onto campus as well. And who could blame them? How would you feel about stumbling over passed-out partygoers in your front yard and on your sidewalk on the way to your car in the morning?

But off-campus living provides students with a combination of freedoms and responsibilities that cannot be enjoyed while living on campus. Freedoms and responsibilities from which the students, the University, and the town can benefit.

This is not to say that on-campus conditions are completely unsatisfactory. With the exception of (as it in 2000 in Swartz Hall) water fountains filled with vomit and radiators circulating mold spores that caused a perpetual state of illness, on-campus living is more than adequate.

Furniture and room sizes are, for the most part accommodating, and are kept relatively clean. Regardless of how pristine your bathrooms are, those who live on campus can almost never rid themselves of one particular antigen: I have nothing against Resident Assistants (R.A), but they are all aware of their unpopularity when duty calls and they have to bust someone.

The unfortunate truth is that the University considers the standard collegiate social function to be illegal. All who wish to partake in alcohol need to get away from R.A.s to do so. Off-campus living provides an opportunity for those of us who are not fraternity members (though you may have read otherwise) and who are roughly 21 (give or take a year or so), to play drinking … rather … card and pingpong ball games; to do what college students have been doing since either college or booze was invented.

Contrary to popular belief, student benefits of off-campus living extend far beyond the facilitation of parties in the absence of R.A.s. Those who live off-campus have the responsibility of being not a only resident in, but also a citizen of a real, live municipality.

This includes paying rent and bills on time and properly maintaining the property. There is not a custodial staff to do your cleaning, to shovel your snowy walkway or to mow your lawn (if you have one). Being part of a municipality entails respecting your neighbors and following municipal guidelines. Eventually, we will all have to learn to not be loud and obnoxious all the time, to maintain a household, to use the toilet and not the back yard. These are all extraordinarily important experiences and responsibilities to have, particularly for those moving out into the real world in the next year few years.

Off-campus living can also be beneficial to the University and to Lewisburg. By allowing a number of students to live off-campus, the University has more room for other students and, as a result, fewer students cramped in small rooms with one or more roommates.

Keeping off campus housing will also decrease confrontation with students who party and drink. Though "less confrontation" may be a bad excuse for relaxing the University crackdown on drinking, the vast majority of students seem to drink responsibly. Regardless of where students live, there will always be a few who cannot adequately regulate their alcohol intake and stay out of trouble. Though those few will be a burden on Lewisburg's residents, having students and residents live among each other can ultimately be a positive experience for both, if for no other reason than that sharing conversations, meals and camaraderie with neighbors are experiences.

By keeping students on campus, there will be less interaction between Lewisburg and the University. As they become more segregated, relations are bound to deteriorate. Even the ideal of a peaceful but separate coexistence is a depressing one when compared to a potentially harmonious mixture of students and residents. If the University were to take away the option of off-campus living, all of these things would be taken away with it. Let us prove ourselves and be on our best behavior downtown. And let us stand up to the University and let them know that they can take our tuition, but they can never take our room and board fees.

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BUSINESS & POLITICS

Former Vice President's speech criticizes President's war on Iraq

By Michael Dudzinski
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Courtesy of Reuters

Former Vice President Al Gore spoke in California on Monday, addressing the current relationship between the United States and Iraq. Gore is among many who question Bush's eagerness for war.

Former Vice President Al Gore whipped up his first major public speech in San Francisco on Monday, criticizing President George W. Bush for instigating unnecessary conflict with Iraq.

According to the Associated Press, the former presidential candidate expressed concern that the war on terror is losing its focus. He supported this assertion by stating that the American people have become more concerned about the actions of the U.S. government than those of terrorists.

Gore also warned that the United States has not resolved the issues surrounding Sept. 11, allowing support for the war to rapidly diminish. CNN noted that a prime concern among the public is that the perpetrators of the war have not been brought to justice.

Gore advocates that military action should not be used against Iraq because it would threaten the integrity of the war on terror.

Bush's disregard for peace and international law drew much criticism from Gore. The former vice president asserted that the issue with Iraq could be addressed through diplomatic rather than military means.

Gore argued that the United States, the United Nations and American allies should work together to eliminate any threat from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. He stressed that military action may pose a great threat to global security and perpetuate anti-American sentiment around the globe.

Bush has proposed that Congress allow him to use all means necessary to oust Hussein. In Gore's view, the implications of Bush's demands are troublesome because they are vague and do not outline any specific course of action.

On Monday, former President Jimmy Carter cautioned Bush of the dangers that America could face if he does not comply with the United Nations on Iraq. Carter further mentioned that the issue has prompted a radical transformation in U.S. policy that could damage foreign relations.

Gore's position caused a rift among congressional Democrats. While some agree with Gore's stance, Sen. Lieberman, D-Conn., openly supports Bush's intent to use all force necessary against Iraq. According to CNN, Lieberman and House Minority Leader Dick Gephardt both feel that Bush has made his case against Iraq with great effectiveness. Lieberman urged the need for the United States to create an international coalition against Iraq, although such action has not proven successful.

According to MSNBC, Gore also acknowledged that the multi-billion dollar military initiative would be funded from the pocket of every American taxpayer. He urged Bush to go all the way if he decides to use force on Iraq, an action mistakenly not taken by his father in 1991.

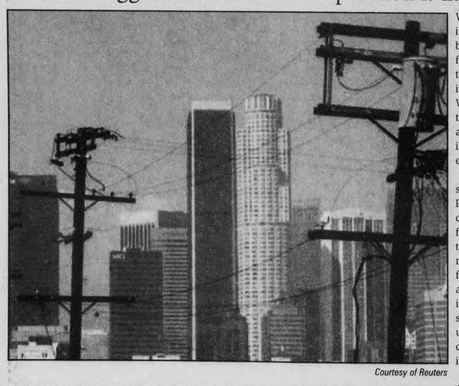
Gore implied that the government's failure to deal effectively with the Gulf War has perpetuated another conflict and the taxpayers are forced to pay the consequences. The former vice president warned of the problems that the United States may face if Bush plans to end the war in Iraq in the same manner as he did in Afghanistan.

He argued the Bush administration's stance would only prompt further foreign aggression against the United States. Gore particularly emphasized that Bush should not allow anything to distract us from the mission of avenging the murder of 3,000 Americans on Sept. 11, according to MSNBC.

Meanwhile, those who favor military action were quick to denounce Gore's statements as irrelevant and lacking credibility.

Energy corporation added to list of U.S. companies under legal investigation

Evidence suggests that El Paso Corporation is liable for energy crisis in California



Courtesy of Reuters

During the California energy crisis, rolling blackouts were instituted due to severe energy shortages. Energy companies in the region are currently facing charges for withholding valuable energy resources in order to maximize profit.

By Jim Leahy
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The summer of financial scandals created some interesting market conditions and some tough times. We had WorldCom, Enron and Adelphia; the list seems endless. On top of all this, new allegations and new scandals appear every week.

This week, the El Paso Corporation hit the front pages. During the past few months, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) has been conducting an investigation into the company and its possible role in the California power crisis.

On Monday, FERC dealt an early blow to El Paso over the company's dealings. In a case brought by the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California, Chief Administrative Law Judge for FERC Curtis L. Wagner ruled that the company was indeed liable for the problems in California.

During 2000 and 2001, when energy prices in California skyrocketed, El Paso apparently withheld some of its gas*in an effort to force the utilities to pay more. *The New York Times* reported on Monday that "El Paso Natural Gas held back at least 10 percent of the capacity on its pipeline delivering gas from its Southwest gas fields to California from November 2000 to March 2001.

"El Paso used its dominance of the southern California market to inflate the price of gas sold there by $3.7 billion. Southern California Edison, a large investor-owned utility, said high natural gas prices added $1 billion to the cost of energy produced at its gas-fired power plants." Wagner's ruling said that in addition to holding back capacity, El Paso failed to report to regulators how much capacity it had in its pipelines. Wagner also asked FERC to institute penalties against El Paso for violating pipeline rules and for exercising market power.

There could be some serious outcomes for El Paso. The Houston-based company has been under fire since California went through its tough summer. The company now faces numerous lawsuits and will have to defend itself against the four-person commission. If FERC upholds the decision, the case will probably make its way to federal court.

Late Monday, El Paso disputed the results. According to *The Wall Street Journal*, "The company, in a written statement, said the judge's ruling was 'unsupported by the evidence' and that 'the evidence demonstrates that the pipeline was full to the extent permitted by safety and operational considerations and, therefore, El Paso Natural Gas could not have exercised market power.'"

Others are happy about the decision. Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., said in *The New York Times* that El Paso made the financial pinch on the utilities worse. "Because so much of California's electricity supply is fueled by natural gas, this meant that electricity prices went through the roof, causing hardship to the publicly-owned utilities and to the state, neither of which could pass on these high prices to California consumers."

"We view this as a very significant victory," said Kevin J. Lipson, an attorney for Edison International, in *The Washington Post*. Edison is the owner of one of California's largest utilities and a major opponent of El Paso. "This is the first time the federal government has spoken on the issue of who is responsible for the California energy crisis."

Paul Patterson, a New York-based independent energy analyst, said that if FERC upholds the judge's decision, it could bring substantial litigation against El Paso related to the higher power prices and electricity blackouts, *The Wall Street Journal* reported. "That's what worries people about this," he said, "and that's why everybody's just freaking out."

A commentator on TheStreet.com's subscriber site, RealMoney.com, added to the debate with his view on the trouble that El Paso could be facing. Chris Edmonds said, "The opinion does suggest that El Paso may not have been as close to a universal settlement with the state of California as once thought. Clearly, Wagner's ruling could be interpreted as a signal that negotiations need to heat up again or additional rulings could come."

"It's hard to read into this what impact this ruling will have on generators. Wagner has been much more skeptical of California's large claims against the power generators than he has regarding natural gas flow into the state," Edmonds said. "Hence, while this is clearly an incremental negative, it is hard to extrapolate this into direct bad news for generators with claims pending from the state."

Whatever finally happens to the El Paso Corporation, there will be changes in the system.

This latest issue among American public companies is yet another one that will change the way companies do business. In addition, it only adds to the mistrust with which Wall Street views the companies whose stock it trades.

A difference in opinion, or a serious division?

By Gretchen Schrock
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Two best friends are in the midst of an unprecedented argument. The United States and Germany, always together in agreement on issues of foreign policy since the end of World War II, have recently discovered differences of opinion that have the potential to seriously damage, if not destroy, their decades-long friendship.

It all began with the vicious campaign between Social Democrat Gerhard Schöder and conservative Edmund Stoiber for the post of chancellor and control of the German Parliament. One of the major pillars of Schöder's campaign, which eventually led to his triumph, was his complete resistance to a war with Iraq.

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President George W. Bush and his advisers were not pleased with this obstacle to their plan for the eventual ousting of evil Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and secretly hoped that Schöder's rhetoric would soften after his electoral conquest.

Unfortunately, the Bush administration seriously miscalculated. The Schöder government has no intention of reversing its opposition to military action against Iraq, citing that such a maneuver could bring political and social chaos to the Middle East and could split the global coalition against terrorism. Furthermore, Schöder considered the domestic political environment in which he will have to operate. Dissident Greens nearly toppled his last government coalition when he sent troops to Afghanistan to show his support for the war on terror following Sept. 11.

Why would Schöder voluntarily entertain the possibility of committing political suicide by sending more soldiers abroad to fight a war initiated by a hawkish ally?

"I have formulated a German position, and I have nothing to retract on that count," Schöder said in a *New York Times* article.

The reaction in Washington to this firm stance has been undoubtedly harsh, from refusing to meet with German counterparts at a NATO meeting in Poland, to associating the Schöder government with the likes of Osama bin Laden and Hussein.

"I made it clear to the world that either you're with us or you're with the enemy and that doctrine still stands," Bush said at a rally in Trenton, N.J., according to *The New York Times*.

In other words, the Bush view of the current world situation involves two separate and heterogeneous groups: those who wholeheartedly support the United States in its effort to combat every threat to international security and peace and those who completely align themselves with ruthless dictators and terror-hungry radicals. Since Germany is voicing a few statements of dissension to the American battle strategies, it is temporarily categorized under the foe heading, regardless of how absurd it appears.

To avoid a permanent classification as an American enemy, the German government has taken meager steps at reconciliation. After German Justice Minister Herta Däubler-Gmelin compared Bush to Hitler, in that he used the talk of war to divert attention from domestic concerns, Schöder denied her a cabinet post in his new government. According to *The Washington Post*, Ludwig Stiegler, head of Schöder's Social Democratic party in the Parliament, was forced to resign after he said, "Bush is acting as if he's Caesar Augustus and Germany is the province of Germania."

In addition to these political resignations, Germany is expected to offer more troops for the Balkans and to lead the international security force in Afghanistan. Not even the personal letter from Schöder to Bush last week was enough to persuade the American president that Germany is not conspiring with the enemy and remains a close friend.

Germany and the United States have differed on numerous issues in the past, such as global warming, farm subsidies and U.S. steel tariffs. What makes the current dispute more pivotal to the future development of the German-American political relationship than the former topics?

The Iraqi question has far greater implications for the entire world, specifically in the areas of international security, Middle East stability and oil production. Whether the United States decides to invade Iraq and remove Hussein from power will tremendously affect the course of international political and economic events.

If the United States deems German support crucial to the success of any military operation against Iraq, it must provide a more convincing argument with definitive statistics and figures as evidence. However, if the method of persuasion is lacking and Germany fails to fully back any Iraqi invasion, the Bush administration must accept this difference of opinion and realize that it cannot shape the alliance system to fit its exact preferences. It should also recognize that even though the Iraq issue is an important one, it is not worth the potentially disastrous alienation of a longtime ally.

As Schöder pointed out in a *New York Times* article, "I always said that the meaning of friendship can only be that one sometimes differs on specific issues. How else can it be?"

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Bison get first win of season

In the first night game in years, the Bison rebounded from an 0-2 start to win a critical game against Cornell 14-3

By Cory Nadler
Senior Writer

In a must-win situation, the Bucknell football team stepped up to the challenge and defeated Cornell University 14-3 in front of 6,299 fans at Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium on Saturday night.

After losing their first two games on the road, the Bison needed to win their home opener in order to keep their confidence up for the Patriot League season.

"When you are 0-2, you really don't want to go 0-3," wide receiver Albert Marquardt '04 said.

The Bison got on the board early in the game, something they had not been able to do in their previous two games. On their second possession, the Bison took the ball 49 yards in six plays. The scoring drive was capped off by a 21-yard touchdown run by Blamah Sarnor '06, to give the Bison an early 7-0 lead. Sarnor got his first collegiate start on Saturday night, and ended the game with 100 yards on 21 carries.

"Blamah breaks tackles, and runs north and south," quarterback Todd Wenrich '03 said.

On the ensuing Cornell drive, Anthony Lewis '04 intercepted a Mick Razzano pass and returned it 22 yards to the Cornell 12-yard line. The Bison decided to go for it on fourth down and two from the Cornell 5-yard line, but they did not make it.

The Big Red drove the ball down the field on the next drive, and looked as though they were heading in for a score. The Bucknell defense held in the red zone. On

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Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Coming off an unimpressive 0-2 start, the Bison team came ready to play in Saturday, beating Cornell 14-3.

Volleyball team enters Patriot League play with .500 record

By Brent Butler
Sports Editor

After losing six seniors to graduation last year, the women's volleyball team was a little hesitant heading into this year, but after a quality preseason the women's squad looks poised to take on the Patriot League.

This week the Bison begin Patriot League play after a long preseason in which they have maintained a solid .500 record against difficult competition.

"We are all really excited about the start of Patriot League play. Our team had an outstanding preseason and I feel we are playing consistently better each match. Personally I can't wait to begin Patriot League games; we have played some tough non-league teams which I think will definitely help us prepare for league play," Breean Trapasso '04 said. "Our main goal is to take one game at a time and concentrate on what we have to do to be successful."

Bucknell has competed against some tough opponents that have truly tested their ability. The preseason is

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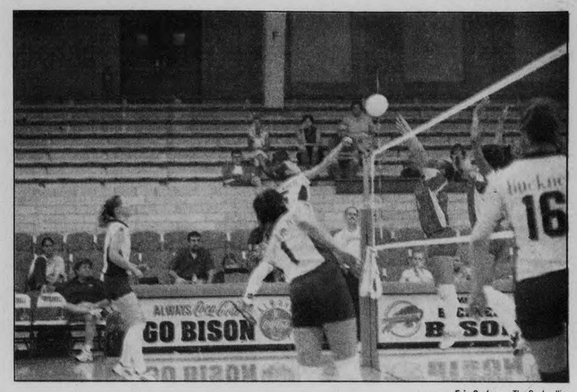

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

In their final game before Patriot League play, the Bison Volleyball squad defeated Central Connecticut.

Men's soccer team is 7-1 after 1-0 win over Colgate

Adam Wilcox—The Bucknellian

Excellent ballhandling was vital to the Bison victory.

By Tara Utchel
Senior Writer

The men's soccer team increased its winning streak to three this past week. The Orange and Blue defeated Colgate and Niagara University, improving to 7-1, the program's best start since the 1983 season.

Bucknell earned its first Patriot League win Saturday, Sept. 21 with a 1-0 defeat over Colgate. Both teams had equal opportunities during the first half of play. The Bison's offense managed to get six shots on goal—four more than Colgate. Bucknell's thirst for a goal was evident throughout the half, but the game remained scoreless at the end of 45 minutes of play.

A heavy downpour commenced during the second half of the game and continued to saturate the game field for the rest of the match. The Bison confronted the rain with increased intensity and pressure on Colgate's defensive third.

"Our strategy on Saturday was to play our game and outwork Colgate," Nick Taylor '03 said. "Even when it started raining, the skill and tough play by our team was too much for the Colgate defense, and we put away a goal to win the game."

The Orange and Blue's persistence weakened the opposing defensive wall and broke the line at the 73rd minute. Scott Visnic '06 ricocheted a shot off Colgate's goalkeeper, Will Martin, which was redirected to Taylor's feet. Taylor one-touched the ball into the back of the net to give the Bison a 1-0 lead.

"Having two goals this season is great, especially with one goal in a Patriot League game, but the overall goal is to win games, not tally up individual statistics," Taylor said.

"Nick Taylor played an outstanding game. When he is on, the rest of the midfield flows with him," Head Coach Brendan Nash said.

Bucknell's defense, led by Adam Edwards '06, continued to strengthen its reputation as indefatigable warriors. The defensive squad only allowed eight shots and tallied the team's fifth shutout of the year.

"We are doing a great job on the defensive end. Once we lose the ball everyone is working as a unit to get the ball back," Nash said. "Our team defensive shape has been great and prevented very few goal-scoring chances in our last few games."

> *"Even when it started raining, the skill and tough play by our team was too much for the Colgate defense, and we put away a goal to win the game."*
> *—Nick Taylor '03*

Deservedly, the Bison held their heads high entering the game against Niagara on Tuesday, Sept. 24. The men proved to the region that they are the team to beat with a 5-1 win over the Purple Eagles.

The first half was not Bucknell's most impressive soccer, but Elliott Maruffi-Cowley '03 put the Orange and Blue on the board with a header from sophomore John Hemmert's corner kick 10 minutes into the game. Niagara managed to slip one past Edwards, ending 30 minutes of scoreless soccer, and tied the game at one apiece. Mike Lookingland '05 and Greg Buzzell '05 connected a pass and Buzzell then found Scott Visnic '06 in front of the goal. Visnic put the Bison back on top, heading into the second half with a score of 2-1.

"Coming into my first season I didn't know what to expect. I didn't know what role I would be playing, or if I'd be playing at all," Visnic said. "It seems like I've been able to create some good chances lately and the team has responded pretty well."

Bucknell surmounted its mid-week sluggishness and lit Niagara's goal on fire in the second half. Tom Ryan started the scoring festivities with a rebound goal off of Visnic's original shot.

Nearly 16 minutes later, Pat Glennon '04 received a pass from Hemmert and converted a breakaway into his first goal of the game. At the 85th minute, Glennon threw the last log into the fire with a goal generated by another Lookingland-Buzzell combination.

"We are getting strong minutes from many different people. Our team goes 18-19 [players] deep each game," Nash said. "Some of the guys are not showing up on the stat sheet, but they are vital to our success for their hard work on the field. Guys like Chris Beekman '04, Greg Buzzell , Tim Fancek '06, Brian Johnson '03 and Otto Tancraitor '05. They have all shown that they will accept their roles and work as hard as they can to get the job done."

The Bison will continue to play as a team and rely on every single player's efforts as they face Monmouth University on Sunday, Sept. 29. Game time is at 2 p.m. and will be played at home on the West Fields.

Adam Wilcox—The Bucknellian

After defeating both Colgate and Niagara University, the bison have improved to a 7-1 record, the program's best start since the 1983 season.

Sports

Big Red fall to mighty Bison

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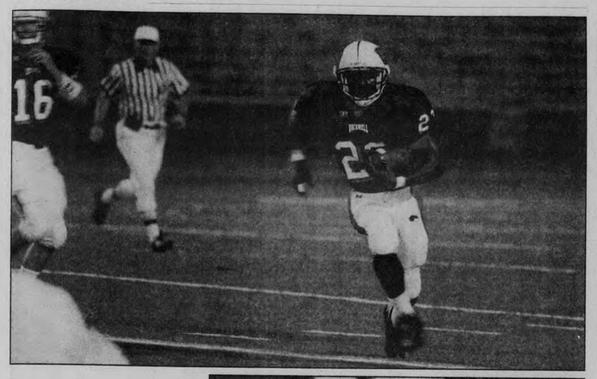


Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Top: Runningback Blamah Sarnor '06, #23, got his first collegiate start and ended the night with 100 yards on 21 carries.

third down and five, Joe Massey '03 sacked Razzano for an 11-yard loss. Cornell opted to go for it on fourth down and 16, and did not make it.

On their next possession, the Big Red marched down the field yet again. The Bison defense held again in the red zone, forcing a 25-yard Cornell field goal attempt. The kick was blocked by Lewis coming off the end, and the Bison took over on their own 14-yard line.

"Coach told me to be disciplined, and that is what I was doing," Lewis said regarding the blocked field goal.

After Wenrich scrambled for a first down, he connected with Marquardt on a quick out. Marquardt broke up the sideline, and scampered 70 yards for the touchdown to give the Bison a 14-0 lead. According to Marquardt, Wenrich changed the play at the line of scrimmage, which led to the long touchdown pass. Marquardt received player of the game honors, finishing the night with six receptions for 135 yards.

On the first drive of the second half, the Big Red moved the ball down the field again. The Bison defense came up big, yet again in the red zone, forcing a Cornell field goal from 35 yards out, to make the score 14-3 in favor of the Bison.

Defense ruled for the remainder of the game. The Big Red threatened twice more, but the Bison defense forced them to turn the ball over on downs both times. Bucknell held on for a final score of 14-3.

The difference in this game was execution. "We were able to make the plays when we needed to," Head Coach Dave Kotulski said. "Competing for four quarters is the key to a good game."

On the offensive side of the ball, the Bison were able to move the ball from the onset, which was a problem the past two weekends.

"We are getting more comfortable, and the running game is opening up the passing game," Marquardt said.

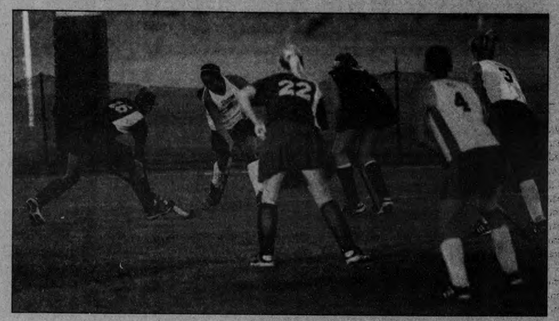
"I thought the offense played as well as they have yet this season. They eliminated the mistakes they had been making," Kotulski said.

Even though the Bison seemingly came away with an easy win, the Big Red put up a good fight.

"I knew they were going to be a physical football team. I anticipated a dogfight," Kotulski said.

The Bison now look to keep their momentum, as they host Delaware State in Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium on Saturday.

Bison fall in second half, 2-0



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

The Bison had difficulty maintaining possession against Holy Cross, losing 2-0 on Sept. 21.

By Ashley Hall
Writer

Bucknell field hockey fell to the Holy Cross Crusaders, 2-0, on Sept. 21. The two teams held for a scoreless first half, then the two-time defending Patriot League champion Crusaders scored twice in the second half.

The contest remained scoreless throughout the first half, as the two teams engaged in a defensive battle. Holy Cross ended the scoring drought just 1 minute, 19 seconds in to the second half, but was stymied by the Bison defense until the final 40 seconds of the game, when the Crusaders netted another goal to seal the victory.

Bison goalie Sonja Wettergreen '03 recorded five saves, while Holy Cross keeper Jennifer Corsilli stopped four. The loss to Colgate dropped the Bison to 1-1 in Patriot League play this season.

On Sept. 24, the Orange and Blue were back in action, with a more satisfying outcome, as they overpowered LaSalle, handing them a 2-1 loss in sudden death overtime. Midfielder Carli Cataldo '06 started the scoring with 1:43 remaining in the first half, after putting one past LaSalle goalie Colleen Bolger. LaSalle got back in the game when Katie O'Connell put one past the keeper at 5:16 into the second half tying the score at 1-1, setting up an eventual overtime.

In overtime, the gritty Bison squad recorded four shots and five penalty corners. It wasn't until Meiko Boynton '05—who recovered from a shot to the head earlier in the game and made a timely return in overtime—lofted a shot past Bolger, that the Bison team sealed the win.

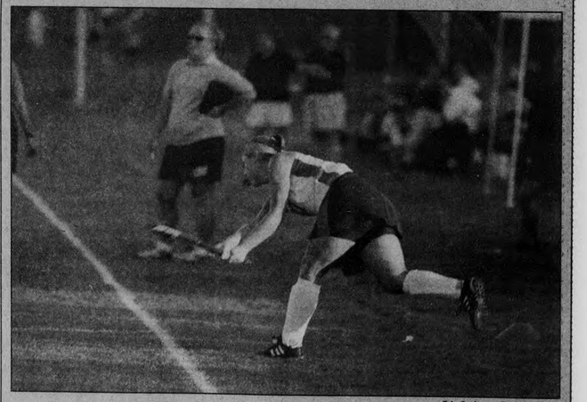
"What I keep focusing on and this team is focusing on is it doesn't matter where we start," Head Coach Heather Lewis said. "It's where we finish in November. I think the work ethic and attitude have been outstanding for this team, and I'm very proud of what they bring to the field every day. I look forward to working with this group and watching them mature as a team and only get better and better."

The LaSalle Explorers were coached by Bucknell graduate Sara Catlin '98, who played under Lewis during her time here.

"I am very happy with the way the season is going," forward Amy Marvel '03. "We have a lot of youth and new people playing in all positions, which is exciting and very fresh. I think the teamwork is amazing and we are all in it together. There are no 'stars' on our team, we all respect one another and play well as a team."

"There is a great amount of positive energy and enjoyment as well. We approach each game not only to win, but as another opportunity to get better. I believe that we already have and will continue to surprise ourselves, as well as the Patriot League," she said.

The Bison are back in action against Patriot League foe Lafeyette on Saturday at 7 p.m., when they hope to push their league record above .500 for the season.



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Sophomore defender Cara Reichenbach inbounds the ball in their 2-1 victory against LaSalle.

Anemic offense costs Bison game

By Dave Cohen
Senior Writer

The Bison women's soccer team dropped its first league matchup of the season on Sept. 21 to Colgate by the score of 2-0. Although Laurie Purse '03 saved seven of nine shots, the Bison failed to score a goal in their second consecutive game. Despite the minimal offensive production, Purse is adamant that the squad is doing its best to turn things around.

"Numbers don't tell the story of the game," Purse said. "The offense worked really hard up top. We hit a wall this game and we aren't playing the way that we have in the past. We are trying to find out what we need to do to put the ball in the net and I think we'll get back on track. We don't want to feel like we did yesterday ever again and I think the team knows what we have to do to get it going. We are the defending champion and true champions bounce back when the odds are against them."

Both teams struggled to get things rolling offensively in the first half and it wasn't until the 69th minute of the game that the Raiders scored goal number one. Abbey Seaboyer '04 believes that the team will come around. She also thinks the team had just as good of an opportunity as Colgate to come out victorious, but the Bison just haven't been able to catch a break.

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BUCKNELL BISON™ Statistics

Golf
Men's *St. Bonaventure Invitational 8th, 612*
Notables: 2. Valentie

Women's *Yale Invitational 7th*
Notables: 13. Campbell 18. Hays

Football
Bucknell 14
Cornell 3
Passing: Wenrich 15-21-0-208
Rushing: Sarnor 21-100, Brinson 7-19

Soccer
Men's
Bucknell 1
Colgate 0
Goals: Taylor
Assists: Visnic
Saves: Edwards 1

Women's
Bucknell 0
Colgate 1
Saves: Purse 7

Bucknell 0
St. Josephs PA 2
Saves: Purse 2

Field Hockey
Bucknell 2
LaSalle 1(2OT)
Goals: Boynton, Cataldo
Assists: Boynton
Saves: Wettergreen 1

Volleyball
Bucknell 3
Central connecticut 0
(30-27, 30-28, 30-22)

Bucknell 1
Lehigh 3
(22-30, 30-22, 30-28, 30-26)

Men's Water Polo
Bucknell 11
Princeton 15

Bucknell 8
Johns Hopkins 11

BUCKNELL BISON™ Calendar

Volleyball vs. American *Friday, Oct. 4 7 p.m.*

Men's Soccer vs. Monmouth *Sunday, Sep. 29 2 p.m.*

Football vs. Delaware State *Saturday, Sept. 28 1 p.m.*

Men's Soccer vs. Philadelphia U. *Tuesday, Oct. 1 4 p.m.*

Women's Soccer vs. Lafayette *Saturday, Sept. 28 1 p.m.*

Field Hockey vs. Lafayette at Lafayette *Saturday, Sept. 28 1 p.m.*

Sports Ops

Cecily Cairns Classic Corner

Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

If you ask any sports fan on the street to list the most dominating athletes of all time, you'll probably get the same grindingly monotonous stream of names from each aficionado you encounter. You'll hear the words "Michael Jordon" enough times to gradually desensitize certain regions of your auditory system to the phonetic tones and frequencies used in the pronunciation of his name. You're sure to hear Wayne Gretzky a few times, along with Tiger Woods, Muhammed Ali, Babe Ruth and perhaps Red Grange. The more creative sports fan might spit out names like Babe Didrikson, Man O'War or Satchel Paige.

Most of what you'll hear will be a perfunctory recitation of ESPN's "Top 100 Athletes of the Century" list that was released in 2000. Chances are, you won't hear the words "Willie Hoppe" jumbled into anyone's comprehensive list. In fact, you'd be hard-pressed to find anyone who wouldn't greet his name with a raised eyebrow and a befuddled utterance of "who?"

Unless, of course, you happen to be conducting this survey in a pool hall. Any seasoned shark could probably tell you a bit about Hoppe. They could tell you that this guy you've never even heard of had a career with such profound longevity that it made Nolan Ryan's exploits look like the life span of a mayfly. They could tell you Hoppe's domination made Secretariat's Belmont Stakes victory look like a lucky headbob.

Forty-six years, 51 championships in total. That's the line on Hoppe. So why is his legend muffled by obscurity? Well, he happened to be the master of a sport that, in contemporary times, is lucky if it can find airtime during early-a.m. broadcasts on ESPN2. Heck, a lot of people don't even consider it a sport.

This hasn't always been the case, however. Billiards, in its various forms, styles and social contexts, was a staple of the great American sporting culture that spanned a century. And Hoppe was to billiards what Ruth was to baseball. He just did it twice as long.

Hoppe exploded onto the billiards scene in 1906 when, at the age of 18, he set forth a brazen challenge to the reigning world champion, Frenchman Maurice Vignaux. For a $1,000 purse, young Hoppe dethroned Vignaux at 18.2 balkline carom billiards, and thus was born a one-man dynasty that lasted nearly half a century.

Carom billiards, which has long since been unseated in popularity by pocket billiards, consists of a battle waged on a pocketless table with three balls, wherein the goal is to hit both of the object balls with the cue ball. The balkline was introduced to keep players from nursing their shots, or keeping the balls near a cushion so they could string together an absurd scoring spree.

Over the ensuing span of years, the balkline was subjected to a battery of makeovers, a la baseball's pitching mound and home plate. Introduced at 8 inches, the distance grew to 14 and eventually 18 inches. One or two billiards could be scored behind that line before one of the balls had to leave that balk area.

By the time Hoppe began his epic career, the balkline was set at 18 inches. He held the 18.2 (the "2" denotes the number of billiards allowed in a given balk area; in 18.1, only one billiard can be scored) crown almost continually through 1927, totaling 15 titles in that arena.

He stretched his win total even farther in 18.1 competitions, amassing 18 championships over his career. And if that weren't enough, he won another 12 titles in the vastly popular field of three-cushion billiards, a version in which the cue ball has to hit at least three cushions before striking the second object ball. At one point in 1940, he tore through 20 games without losing a single one, leaving in his dust such formidable opponents as Jake Schaefer and Welker Cochran.

It wasn't until 1952, at the age of 65, that he laid down his cue for the last time; true to the form he'd maintained for 46 years, he finished his career as the world champion in three-cushion. He had reigned over the world of billiards at age 18, age 65 and everything in between, an accomplishment that no other athlete can really boast.

That's not to say that he didn't have his moments of humility—every decade or so a Schaefer or a Ralph Greenleaf would hand him a rare defeat, and it would appear that the era of Hoppe was ticking to a close.

Year after year, decade after decade, new legends would light up the table, but only for a brief flicker in time. It was always the case that after they had faded and the smoke had dissipated, Hoppe was still there—as dependable, as constant and as durable as an athlete can be.

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Aaron DeRosa
Sports Editor

Causing trouble

I don't know about you, but is anyone else tired of hearing about professional athletes having run-ins with the law? Every week it's something else: drug abuse, wife abuse, drive-bys, really really bad music .... These athletes appear in court with the regularity of a de Maelzel metronome.

I'm sick of these Darryl Strawberry and Lawrence Taylor-types who feel the world owes them something or that they should be enshrined in the Hall of Fame. The Hall of Fame is for role models; athletes that children can respect and admire both for their accomplishments on the field, as well as off. I'm not saying they have to be priests, as if that would clear up their image, but I AM saying that violent offenders and the pitifully stupid should not be heralded.

The same holds true for our personal lives. Everybody talks about their grandfather who invented street signs or great, great grandniece who met Zarathustra at a small patisserie in the village. Nobody wants to remember Uncle Mortimer who got high, strangled his terrier, painted obscenities on the Williamsburg Bridge, then fell down a flight of stairs and snapped his neck. That's just not a comforting story to share over biscuits and crumpets, or even Bisquick and Apple Jacks.

These athletes feel they're owed something. Well yes, we DID owe you something but you already collected it when you cashed in your check so let's pull the bitch-bus over to the side of the accountability turnpike and talk like responsible adults. You want a second chance? We've given you your second chance. You're not in jail, isn't that enough?

I am the first one to say that I care extremely little about what happens to professional athletes and entertainers in their own homes. I don't care about Michael Jordan's marriage problems nor what Ronde and Tiki Barber had for breakfast in the eighth grade. I find E! to be the most ghastly waste of station programming in the history of cable, save maybe TNN.

What I DO demand from athletes is a modicum of respect, both for myself and for the other million people watching you. Whether you're put on a pedestal or not, be fair to us. Just because you're on television doesn't give you the excuse to push people out of the way with your brand new 2002 Lexus (ahem! Randy Moss).

Let's go over Moss's latest ordeal. In the process of making an illegal turn, a traffic officer stepped out in front of his car. He proceeded to push the officer with his car until she fell. A couple of questions come to mind.

1) Why is Moss making illegal turns? 2) Why is a traffic cop stepping out in front of a moving car rather than just taking down *the license plate number and writing a ticket? 3) How exactly does one "push" a person with a car down an entire city block? 4) Why* would the traffic cop not just get out of the way of the now-moving car? Obviously this person subscribed to the Wile E. Coyote school of escape artistry. Word of advice, two steps to the left and you'd be out of danger's way. Well .. 2002 Lexus? Three steps.

Moss's comment after he was released from his overnight stay in jail was "they treated me bad." Moss, I'm going to say this slowly. It's jail! Did you expect free massages and maple syrup with your 8 a.m. flapjacks? No, we're talking men named Bubba and Cletus and their homoerotic adventures, not Jeeves carrying a tray of brie and saltines.

And, of course, Moss is merely the most recent in this long hit-parade of violent abusers. Let's not forget Allen Iverson, Ray Lewis, Mark Corey, Tony Tarasco, Houdini Bison Dele and the inimitable and timeless Orenthal James Simpson. That doesn't even include the ever-growing list of athletes who lied about their ages to sign contracts or those who abuse steroid and dietary supplements. America is a veritable cornucopia of miscreants and system-cheaters. What are we turning in to here, the Russian figure skating mafia?

I suppose the crime rate of professional athletes is not as high as one would think, considering they are some of the most visible people in the public eye, and therefore their every act is documented with the frivolity of a 19th-century Victorian novelist.

Let's be honest here, violent crimes occur most often among the marginalized of society. But when we talk about crimes by athletes, we're not talking about marginalized social welfare victims in line for food stamps, we're talking about $20 million signing bonuses and eight-figure salaries here people. The only stamps these people have ever used is the one with their autograph emblazoned on it so that they don't develop carpal tunnel signing the enormous balls they must have for being so ridiculously egotistical.

Let's put the ball in the law enforcement's court now, no pun intended. Let's finally hold these "professionals" accountable for their actions. What is the general length of jailtime that a person must serve between the time he is arrested and when he goes to trial? Moss stayed in jail overnight.

Although much to the delight of Hennipen County Jail officers, he did perform a little song and dance rendition of *Fahrenheit 451* for his fellow inmates, citing he was trying to "give a little back to the community." Thank you Moss. Now where did O.J. get off to?

Scott Kloss
Senior Writer

Webster defines "growing up" as, "arriving at physical or mental maturity in terms of intellectual, social and physical means." First, let's get one thing straight — I'm a kid! Sure, I have my responsibilities in college; I do my homework, attend classes, keep in touch with my family, all while participating in clubs. I don't dread any of it. In fact I smile. I constantly get told that I have the energy of a 5-year-old kid brought to a candy store! And, yes, girls sometimes still have "cooties."

You see, I feel I hold the best of both worlds, seeing the good in things like when we were toddlers and being able to maturely handle my responsibilities in the "real world." OK, that's grand, but where am I going? Simple fact, athletes nowadays constantly feel they can do or say whatever they want because they are stars. This childish behavior is expected and special treatment should be given because of the talents and skills they posses. In this feature, I'd like to dissect Randy Moss and his latest run-in with the law.

While pursuing some articles on this subject, I came across a piece by Len Pasquarelli of ESPN.com that I'd like to paraphrase for you to get my point across. Take, for instance, that you are dating the prettiest girl in school. A gal so beautiful, men of all walks of life immediately lose their ability to speak and begin to salivate. A woman with whom you could spend the rest of your life. That is, until you bring her home to meet the parents.

Over your initial sit-down dinner in mom's dining room, she cuts loose a string of explicitives so rancid, you wonder if she worked with Brad Pitt in "Fight Club." To add insult to injury, she denounces your mom's handed-down turkey recipe, and asks dad if Rogaine is right for him.

You are at the crossroads of the relationship. Do you ignore her social inadequacies and take her to a friend's house next time, or do you ask to leave the table and have her fetch a taxi home?

Welcome to the Minnesota Viking's world with pro-bowl wide-receiver Moss. Moss, a stud between the white lines, yet sour grape outside, finds himself faced with yet another impediment in his quest for social complacency.

The Skinny: Tuesday night, Moss was charged with careless driving and failure to obey a traffic officer. Witnesses told police he used his car to push the officer, who was trying to prevent him from making an illegal turn, a half-block before she fell to the ground.

"I saw a really decked-out Lexus pushing the traffic person along," Jerry Hullerman, an observer of the incident, said according to ESPN.com. "It was really surreal. She fell flat on her face." What was he thinking? Surely nothing is important enough to harm another human being. But if you dig deeper you find out that this behavior is not all that foreign to Moss.

In 1999, he squirted a referee with a water bottle, which resulted in a $25,000 fine from the NFL. Then there's the time he verbally abused corporate sponsors on the team bus in 2001, which resulted in the team fining him $15,000 and forcing him to attend anger management classes.

Courtesy of Reuters

Randy Moss, yet to shake his childhood ways, needs to grow up before he can become a true NFL star.

Moss initially attended Florida State University, where he red-shirted his first season, but was kicked off the team for violating probation by smoking marijuana. That got him a one-year jail sentence, which was reduced to about one month of time served. But his skills ensured another college would be begging and Marshall made the call. Now an NFL playmaker, Moss has yet to shake his childhood ways.

The question becomes what should a team like the Minnesota Vikings do? Should they stand by Moss and hope that he matures into a good boy, or cut him loose and free themselves of his constant failures?

The verdict: Moss set an NFL record with 5,396 yards receiving in his first four seasons as a pro and is the only wide receiver with more than 1,000 yards receiving in each of his first four seasons. But is any statistic strong enough to warrant teammate support in such a horrific display of childishness? Sure he is only 25 years old and is expected to go through growing pains, but doesn't the doctor say if the pain persists over a week, check into a hospital?

You cannot take away the fact that he is a playmaker and the ball seems to find him in the end zone, much like his predecessor Chris Carter, but Moss' frequent lack of playing hard on every down, such as when the play is designed to go to "the other side," holds firm with his teammates and critics alike. How can a team unite when one player feels he is above his team and apparently above the law? Randy needs to go back to school and must realize that by the strength of the leader's commitment, the power of the team is unleashed.

Justin McCarthy
Senior Writer
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NFL Predictions

Who would have thought last week, going into their bye week, the Steelers would be reassessing their defense? Though their rushing defense is still strong, their pass-defense has been beaten badly. This may mean trouble for the Steel Curtain considering the Browns offense is pass-heavy. The Browns are the only team in the AFC Central with a win at this point, but look for this to change as the "Stillers" break out of their funk. (They better because I already have two wrong picks because of them.)

Minnesota (0-3) at Seattle (0-3)

At least one of these winless teams will finally put up a W. Both offenses struggled last week, with Seattle netting a mere 145 yards and Minnesota giving up four interceptions and four sacks. The Seahawks need to revitalize their rushing attack, Alexander has a miniscule 110 yards in three games, he averaged that total for each game he started last season. The Vikings need to hope that Culpepper and Moss can rebound. Minnesota.

Denver (3-0) at Baltimore (0-2)

The Ravens defense has only given up one TD this season, yet their offense has managed to score only a meager seven points. Baltimore has an anemic offense, which won't be helped by Denver's top-ranked rushing defense. The best thing about the Broncos attack is that they possess such an equal balance between the pass and the rush, netting almost identical totals. The real questions about this game don't revolve around who will win; but rather by how much Denver will win and whether or not the Ravens will even score.

Carolina (3-0) at Green Bay (2-1)

Carolina has already tripled their win total from last season. Who are these guys? The NFC South was supposed to be one of the weakest divisions. Unfortunately for the Panthers, they are led by Rodney Peete, who is not starter material. Look for the Panthers to come back to earth. Green Bay is Carolina's first real test of the season and look for them to lose it with a big L, even with a weakened Packers defense. Traditionally, Favre has been supported by a great defense, now he is forced to score points since the defense has given up over 30 points in every game so far; luckily the Packers have the top rated offense in the NFC.

Chicago (2-1) at Buffalo (1-2)

The Bills defense continues to struggle this season, as does their rushing attack. The only highlight of this Bills team is Bledsoe, which isn't a surprise at all. He is the only QB with over a 1,000 passing yards at this point, which explains why Peerless Price is leading the NFL in receiving yardage. The Bears need to exploit Buffalo's poor defense. Urlacher, who leads the league in tackles, needs to pressure Bledsoe and not enable him to hit his targets. Ultimately, the Bears defense will decide this game. If they can contain Bledsoe, they will win, and I think they'll get the job done.

Cleveland (2-1) at Pittsburgh (0-2)

TRIVIA

By Justin McCarthy

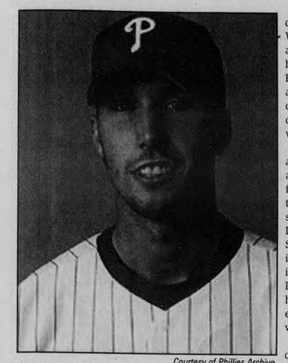
1. What player has won the most NFL MVP awards?
2. How many MVP awards has he won?
3. What QB has been sacked the most in NFL history?

1. Brett Favre; 2. Three; in 1995, 1996 and 1997; 3. John Elway was sacked 516 times.

Sports

Bucknell grad in the majors

Eric Junge '99 earns first major-league victory for Phillies



Courtesy of Phillies Archive

Eric Junge '99 is the first Bison in the majors since 1958. He holds a 1.13 ERA in 8 innings.

By Ainsley Maloney
Writer

Former Bucknellian Eric Junge '99 accomplished what many aspiring athletes can only dream. On Tuesday, Sept. 10, Junge was called up by the Philadelphia Phillies, and became the first Bison to play in the majors since Andy Keegan's six-year stint with the White Sox in 1958.

Junge made his major-league debut in relief on Wednesday, Sept. 11, allowing a run on two hits against the Florida Marlins. He also recorded a strike-out and induced a double-play in a 9-2 victory.

Only three days after his debut appearance, Junge earned his first major-league victory, replacing injured starter Brandon Duckworth in a Saturday game, pitching five strong innings in a 4-1 win over the Pittsburgh Pirates. He holds a 1.13 ERA in eight innings of work with eight strikeouts.

Junge allowed only a single unearned run while striking out five in the win. Phillies manager Larry Bowa intends to use him as a relief role for the remainder of its season.

Recognition of Junge's baseball talent started early in his Bison career. Originally from new York, Junge helped lead Bucknell to a Patriot League championship as a first-year in 1996.

As a sophomore, he recorded six saves, hitting the Bucknell single-season mark. He left Bucknell in 1999 with a record of 16-15 and a school record of 12 saves.

After graduating, Junge headed for the minor leagues. Junge was the first Bison baseball player to be drafted by a major-league team since Andy Nezelek was picked by the Atlanta Braves in 1986. Drafted in the 11th round by the Los Angeles Dodgers, Junge was traded along with another minor leaguer to the Phillies for lefthander Omar Daal in November 2001.

He spent his 2001 season with the AA Jacksonville Suns, finishing ninth in the Southern League with a 3.46 ERA while limiting opponents to a .237 batting average. He helped the Suns with the Southern Division co-championship while leading Jacksonville in wins, games started (27), complete games (one), shutouts (one) and innings pitched. He also became the first Bucknell alum to play for a major--league organization since Joe Markulike played for Idaho Falls in the Braves organization in 1990.

After moving up to AAA Scranton/Wilkes-Barre, he posted a 12-6 record with a 3.54 ERA in 29 starts. The Red Barons finished their season last week with a loss to Buffalo in the International League playoffs.

Junge joins a Phillies team that lies in fourth place in the NL East with a 75-78 record. The Bison community has been supportive in each step that Junge has made, and many look forward to watching him as he matures into an outstanding major-league player.

W-SOCCER

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"We have a lot of time before Lafayette [to prepare]," Seaboyer said. "We have tried to move people around at practice. In our scrimmages, we have tried different people at different positions lately. We haven't played poorly, we just haven't put the ball in the net. We could have won the game just as easily as Colgate. I think with a week of preparation we will be fine. Losing to Colgate wasn't fun but we lost our first league game last year and we did just fine."

It was only a matter of two minutes before Colgate knocked in an insurance goal to take a two-goal lead. Offensive production has been the primary concern of the Bison this season and they were only able to muster up two shots on goal all afternoon. Megan Farrell '05 is confident that the team is not playing poorly, and she is optimistic about a productive Bison offense down the road.

"It's just a matter of time before we get the ball in the net," Farrell said. "It's not like we're struggling right now. We have had productive scoring games this season, so we know we can do it, we just need to be patient. We have great forwards up top with a lot of skill and they'll definitely be able to put it away for us."

Bucknell dropped to 5-3, 0-1 following the loss.

Walters heads cheerleading squad

Former Redskins cheerleader hopes to bring enthusiasm to the squad

By Brian Klotz
Senior Writer

Head Cheerleading Coach Heather Walters remembers the day when she found out that Bucknell had an opening for a coaching position.

"My boyfriend, who lives in Milton, got the paper and called me at midnight to tell me about it," Walters said. "It's what I have wanted to do all my life."

Walters' obvious enthusiasm is what her athletes comment on most when they speak of her.

"I think Heather is a great addition to the squad," Adam Hargus '03 said. "She is amazingly enthusiastic and very work oriented, which is a great addition to a squad that already works hard."

After the interview process had been completed in the beginning of September, Athletic Director John Hardt knew she was the woman for the job.

"We had a very fine group of qualified candidates for the Bison cheerleading coach position, but Heather Walters' qualifications and experience immediately stood out from the rest," he said. "As a former college cheerleader and a cheerleader with the National Football League's Washington Redskins, Heather presented a much higher level of quality cheerleading experience than any of the other candidates."

To say that Walter's is experienced in the sport of cheerleading is no understatement. Looking up to her older sister who cheered, Heather got involved in the Pop Warner group in Jersey Shore, Pa when she was only 8 years old. From there on, cheerleading became her primary focus all the way through junior high and high school, eventually giving her the opportunity to perform in both the Florida Citrus Bowl and the Aloha Bowl.

The chance to cheer for the Redskins came when she was in her first semester of college at Lock Haven. After going through a rigorous and very competitive tryout procedure, Walters didn't hesitate over the decision to go. Three years later, she decided to leave the NFL to move back to Milton and further her education which, it just so happened, coincided with the coaching job opening at Bucknell.

Walters has many goals and ideas for the direction of the cheerleading squad. First and foremost is to get the squad visible to Bucknell and the community in general. Getting noticed, by going to a competition and doing well, in addition to implementing community work such as Christmas events, top her list.

"To get recognized, we have to go out there and show that we can succeed," Walters said. "We need to do more than just go to games and show that there is more to cheerleading than just being on the sidelines."

Her squad members agree that competitions are the way to go.

"In the future, I would like to have the cheerleading squad get involved in competitions where we get to prove ourselves to other college cheerleaders," Trisha Yordy '04 said.

Better recognition is something that Walters and the team realize won't come easy.

"Since we aren't classified as a sport, the cheerleading squad isn't usually mentioned very often," Walter's said. "I want to change that and I want only positive things to be said, nothing negative."

Varsity status is something that Walters thinks would continue to improve the situation of the team.

"I would love to see cheerleading become a sport because I think they put in as much hard work and dedication as an other sport," Walters said. "You can letter in it, but when it comes to getting some of the things that the squad wants, they have to do fundraising."

"We were finally given a budget this year, and that has enabled us to get new uniforms and start thinking about training camps," Hargus said. "To me, the varsity/non-varsity thing isn't much of an issue because, while it would be nice to have the full recognition that we deserve, we are functioning more or less like a varsity squad. In the future I would like for the budget to grow."

Hardt thinks that Bucknell's commitment to the program continues to grow, but that becoming a varsity sport is a ways off.

"While the Bison cheerleading squad has become a much more organized program in recent years at Bucknell, I do not see it becoming a varsity sport anytime in the near future because it is not not recognized as a varsity sport by either the Patriot League or the NCAA," said Hardt. "Overall, we are very pleased with the current cheerleading situation at Bucknell and we believe that Heather's hire as the program's new coach will provide the program with outstanding leadership and support."

Walters has been very impressed with the squad during the first part of her tenure and sees a bright future. "They work really well together as a team and they want to look good," said Walters. "In general, though, I want the squad to go out there and have fun and I think that we have the support to really give the cheerleading squad that chance."

Volleyball falls in first Patriot League match

VOLLEYBALL

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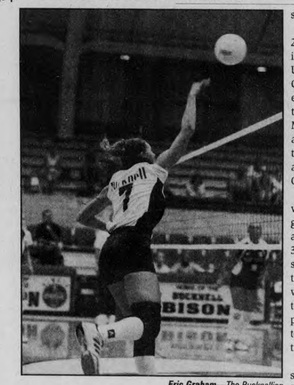

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Melanie Ghiz produced 15 kills in their game against Morgan State.

the last chance to fine-tune the offensive play and defensive play before the regular season begins.

"I am very pleased with the competition we have faced so far because it is preparing us to face the tougher teams of the Patriot League," Breean Trapasso said.

On Saturday, Sept. 21 the Bison competed in the Bucknell University ' Volleyball Classic. Bucknell started the day with a tough five-game loss to Morgan State, but were able to pull out the victory later in the day against Central Connecticut.

The Bison were victorious in their first game of the day against Morgan State, 30-27 but fell in the second game. In the third game, Bucknell won a close 31-29 victory, but they failed to pull out the overall victory by losing the next two games.

For Bucknell, twin superstars Breean and Brandi Trapasso '04 each had double doubles during the Morgan State match. Breean led the team with 46 assists and by completing 14 digs, while Brandi grabbed 14 kills and 30 digs. Jennifer Wrigley '03 and Chelsea Anderson '06 also claimed double digits in the dig column, and Melanie Ghiz '04 produced 15 kills.

During the second match of the day for Bucknell, the Bison claimed a 3-0 victory over Central Connecticut. The Bison quickly defeated the Blue Devils in consecutive 30-27, 30-28 and a 30-22 victories. Brandi Trapasso completed the match with 17 digs and 14 kills, while Ghiz tallied 14 kills for the Bison.

The Lady Bison fell in their first Patriot League match against Lehigh on Wednesday Sept. 25. The Bison were defeated by the Mountain Hawks in four games. The Bison came out strong in the first game of the evening with a 30-27 victory over the Mountain Hawks, but fell in the next three games 30-22, 30-28 and 30-26.

"Jennifer Wrigley had outstanding offensive effort," head coach Cindy Opalski said. "We played hard, but had a hard time finishing. We had been up [in score] in every game we played, but now need some of the younger team members to step up and help finish."

Wrigley led the team with 16 kills and 12 digs for the Bison. Anderson led the team with 21 defensive digs for the evening and Brandi Trapasso produced 11 kills along with 14 digs. Breean Trapasso had 38 assists for Bucknell in the losing effort.

The Bison now hold a 6-7 overall record and are 0-1 in the Patriot League. Bucknell will face Patriot League Conference foe Lafayette on Saturday, Sept. 28 in Easton, Pa. in hopes of returning to a .500 record.

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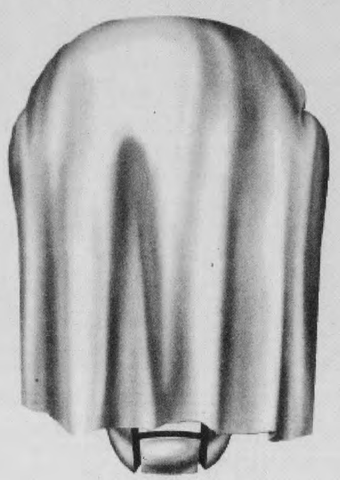

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Features

Knoebels: Family fun since 1926

Knoebels is home to roller coasters, mini golf, a grand carousel and much more

Courtesy of www.knoebels.com

Knoebels' grand carousel is fun for kids of all ages. A steam powered carousel was the first ride at the park when it opened in 1926.

By Josie Cetta
Features Editor

Knoebels Amusement Resort, located on U.S. Route 487 in Elysburg, Pa., is America's largest free admission amusement park. With over 50 rides, Knoebels is open to all ages.

Knoebels offers free parking, shows and picnic facilities, and has been in business since July 4, 1926. It is privately owned and operated by the Knoebel family.

Rather than a park admission fee, Knoebels sells tickets for individual rides, which range in costs.

"Knoebels is an unexpected good time. It is a small Pennsylvania park, which should say enough as is, but you get there and it's just fun," Matt Baker '05 said. "The roller coasters are some of the best I have been on and they definitely make the park. Having to buy a ticket ride by ride gets a little annoying, but it's refreshing to walk into a park and not pay immediately."

"Lots of fun, loved the roller coasters ... basically it was bundles of fun!" Caitlin Geissler '04 said.

Knoebels first began with "tally-hos," 25-cent Sunday afternoon hayrides to the farm of Reverend Henry Hartman Knoebel, with stops along the way for picnics and swimming.

Soon an enterprise was born. With the simple addition of a few picnic tables, convenience stands and lifeguards, Knoebels Amusement Resort was well on its way.

Knoebels soon opened its first restaurant, started some games, constructed a pool and launched its first ride—a steam powered carousel.

Knoebels also rented out cottages that were somewhat out of the ordinary, including structures built to look like a covered wagon, a trolley car, a schoolhouse and a boat. Unfortunately, many of these houses were destroyed in the flood of 1972. Others were used for beneficial purposes, such as the Caldwell Cottage, which became the Old Mill ice cream stand.

Covered bridges connected the land above the Roaring Creek and Mugser's Run. In 1972, Hurricane Agnes tore through the park. Water damaged 24 out of 25 of the park rides, 200 electric motors and most of the cottages, destroying six permanently.

Everything in the park was covered in mud. After 11,000 hours of manual labor, 210 truckloads of debris and 3,600 tons of fill distributed, Knoebels was back in business, without any help from governmental loans.

In 1973, the Haunted Mansion was designed to attract more visitors after the great loss caused by the hurricane. The Jet Star Roller Coaster was next to arrive, and it was only replaced in 1993 by The Whirlwind. The park continued to grow, allowing no obstacles to stand in its way.

The addition of the once-hailed "largest roller coaster in the world," the Phoenix Roller Coaster served as a culmination of years of dedication by the Knoebel family and staff.

It measured 3,200 feet, with an initial hill of 78 feet, and was transferred to Knoebels from Playland Park in San Antonio, Texas. The Giant Flume opened in 1990 and is said to be the most expensive project in Knoebels' history.

On Oct. 5, Knoebels will be hosting its 17th Annual "Phoenix Phall Phunfest." Registration will begin at 1 p.m.

Events include a costume contest, rides through the Haunted Mansion, laser runner, mini golf, private ride sessions offered on the Phoenix and the Twister, bumper cars and the grand carousel, concluding with a bonfire at 10:15 p.m.

Courtesy of Kelly Finley and Residential Colleges

The Residential College staff enjoys one of the rollercoasters at Knoebels. The Phoenix rollercoaster was once the largest rollercoaster in the world.

National Young Women's Day of Action

V-Day Bucknell and Sirens work together to educate campus on female issues

By Caitlin McKee
Writer

Valerie Lam '04, president of V-Day Bucknell, says the National Young Women's Day of Action (NYWDA) is about education.

"The day is about education on women's issues. We want to help make female issues that are taboo talked about and public," Lam said. "We want to get them out in the open."

NYWDA is a national event held every year on Oct. 24. Its goal is to call attention to feminist issues. Feminist groups on campuses across the nation support the day by holding educational programs.

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—Valerie Lam '04, president of V-Day Bucknell

This year the Sirens and V-Day Bucknell are planning to hold an exhibition on feminine products. V-Day Bucknell is currently deciding what issues it will address in the exhibition.

Some possibilities include the history of the tampon and the maxi pad, alternative feminine products and alternative contraceptives, as well as President George W. Bush's policy on birth control and different cultural ideas about menstruation.

The members of V-Day Bucknell feel that educating the campus on feminine products is important.

"There is not a lot of information on female products anywhere. People aren't aware of how serious TSS [Toxic Shock Syndrome] is and how much money girls spend on products monthly. Girls need to know what risks they are taking with the products they buy," Vice President of V-Day Bucknell Daisy Buranasombhop '04 said.

The exhibit will be held in Arches Lounge on Oct. 24, from 3-5 p.m.

"The exhibit will be comparable to the WRC's [Women's Resource Center] 'A Room With a View,' but differ in subject and content," Lam said.

V-Day Bucknell's main project is putting on the "Vagina Monologues." Producing this racy play leads many on campus to consider the club a radical feminist group.

"People make the assumption that we are militant feminists. Once they come to understand us, they realize that all we want to do is stop the victimization of women," Vice President of Operations for V-Day Bucknell Katie Parker '03 said.

"You don't have to be a feminist to want violence against women to stop because that benefits all man/womankind," treasurer of V-Day Bucknell Katie Breitenbach '05 said.

By supporting NYWDA, V-Day Bucknell hopes to show the campus what it is really about.

"Because we are labeled with the feminist stigma, many people lose sight of V-Day Bucknell's goal, which is to end violence against women and girls. I think that this is an objective that most people can agree upon," Lam said. "I appreciate the amount of attention we get from the 'Monologues' because the production is the centerpiece of our work. However, I would like to see our other projects, such as NYWDA, get the same amount of participation."

V-Day Bucknell hopes supporting NYWDA will educate the campus on female issues, and that it will educate the campus on the real mission of V-day Bucknell.

"Our goal is to get our name out as a group whose mission is to stop the violence against women, not to just put on a play," Parker said.

Laundry online

Thanks to e-Suds, students say good-bye to all the hassles of doing laundry—finding quarters, buying detergent and waiting for a machine

By Alyson Walker
Features Editor

Lugging sacks of dirty clothes down four flights of stairs to the laundry room to find all the washers occupied is enough to make anyone consider wearing the same underwear twice. Some students don't have this problem anymore thanks to e-Suds, a new innovation in laundry machines.

IBM and USA Technology announced on Aug. 30 that 9,000 washers and dryers, which have been made Web-enabled and accessible, will be available to students at colleges and universities.

The e-Suds system will make collecting quarters obsolete for college students. This system replaces coin-operated machines with swipe cards and the ability to use cell phones to charge laundry costs.

"The swipe card system sounds awesome. I hate carrying around quarters to do my laundry," Jessica Orsulak '05 said.

The system includes a Web site that shows available machines, saving the hassle of running up and down the stairs six times before being able to actually load laundry.

It also features choices like dispensing detergent or fabric softener directly from the machine. This is a benefit to students who lack either the time or transportation to shop for washing supplies.

When the laundry is completed, the system can either send the student an e-mail, page on a beeper or send a text message to a cell phone, according to *USA Today Online*. This feature nearly eliminates waiting for the person who forgot to pick up his or her laundry or finding clean clothes piled on the laundry room floor.

The e-Suds system can be found this semester in certain colleges and universities in Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan and Ohio, such as Cedarville College, Ohio, according to *USA Today Online*.

Prices might vary, but the e-Suds machines will typically cost "a fraction" more than typical laundromat washers and dryers, which range from $700 to $2,500 per machine depending on size, said USA Technologies' Steve Hurburt according to *USA Today Online*.

Along with providing students with a more hassle-free laundry experience, e-Suds makes laundry owners' jobs simpler. Mechanical errors are reported online automatically, decreasing repair times.

Universities, as well as laundry owners, value the swipe cards which allow students to charge laundry fees to their student accounts. It negates the need for often-vandalized change machines, which require money collection and have coin jams.

"IBM's data integration and hosting expertise and USA Technology's point-of-sales systems and services are positioned to help drive the wireless vending industry forward," said Dean Douglas, vice president of the telecommunications industry of IBM Global Services in a statement by IBM Press. *"IBM and USA Technology are making vending systems smarter as well as easier for the consumer and more secure from vandalism."*

Some questions arise, such as is whether the cost is worth the convenience and if this convenience is necessary. Students also question whether or not it will really save time.

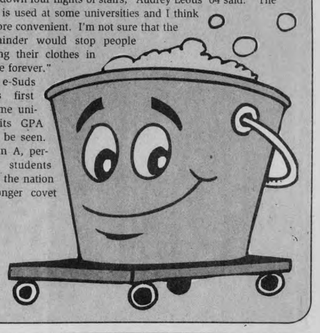
"It sounds like a great way to over-complicate a simple, though annoying, task," Rob Weger '03 said.

Orsulak is also skeptical about the efficiency and need for e-Suds.

"Since our buildings each have their own laundry facilities, you really don't have to carry clothes that far, and if you did, the machines could be taken by the time you got down there. I don't think I would check online before I carried my clothes to the laundry room," Orsulak said.

Other students feel that e-Suds could be a wonderful asset to their busy lives.

"It would eliminate the hassle of getting quarters and needlessly walking up and down four flights of stairs," Audrey Leous '04 said. "The swipe card is used at some universities and I think it's a lot more convenient. I'm not sure that the e-mail reminder would stop people from leaving their clothes in the machine forever."



As e-Suds begins its first year in some universities, its GPA remains to be seen. If it gets an A, perhaps students throughout the nation will no longer covet quarters.

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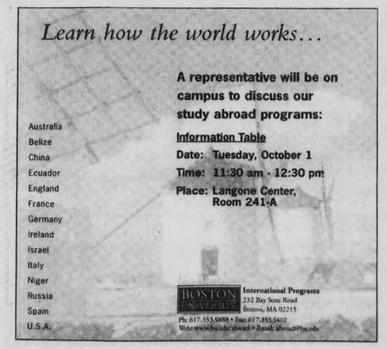

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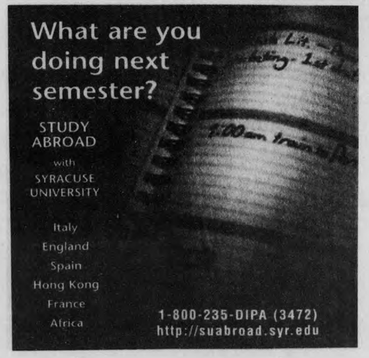

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Events Calendar

FRI
Friday
September 27

CDC Jumpstart
(Taylor 210)
1 p.m. to **2 p.m.**

Fourth sunday Choir Rehearsal
(Meditation Chapel)
2 p.m. to **3 p.m.**

Newsletter Committee
(Vedder 127)
2 p.m. to **4 p.m.**

Shabbat Service and Dinner
(Center for Jewish Life)
5 p.m.

Christians in Action Meeting
(McDonnell 241)
6 p.m. to **10 p.m.**

Susquehanna Valley Mall Shuttle
(Downhill LC)
6 p.m.

Sonia Sanchez Poetry Reading
(Bucknell Hall)
8 p.m.

Comedian Jason Stuart
(Bison)
9 p.m. to **11 p.m.**

Karaoke Night
(Uptown)
9:30 p.m.

"Resident Evil"
(LC Forum)
10:30 p.m.

Supergush
(7th Street Cafe)
11 p.m. to **1 a.m.**

Late Night @ Craft Center
(Craft Center)
7 p.m. to **11 p.m.**

SAT
Saturday
September 28

Baltimore Inner Harbor Trip
(Downhill LC)
8 a.m.

Philharmonica Virtuosi
FREE
(Weis Center)
11 a.m.

Susquehanna Valley Mall Shuttle
(Downhill LC)
3 p.m. and **6 p.m.**

Anime Society Viewing
(LC 301)
4 p.m. to **6:30 p.m.**

Catholic Mass
(Rooke Chapel)
5:30 p.m.

Philharmonica Virtuosi
(Weis Center)
8 p.m.

Uptown
9:30 p.m. to **2 a.m.**

"40 Days & 40 Nights"
(Vaughan Lit. Auditorium)
10:30 p.m.

SUN
Sunday
September 29

Friends Meeting
(Smith Library)
10:30 a.m.

Interdenominational Worship Service
(Rooke Chapel)
11 a.m.

Catholic Mass
(Rooke Chapel)
4 p.m.

Anime Society Viewing
(LC 301)
4 p.m. to **6 p.m.**

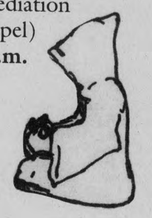
BSG Meetings
(LC 272)
5 p.m.

Circle K
(LC 302)
6:30 p.m. to **8:30 p.m.**

Sunday Night Prayer
(Taylor 115)
9 p.m. to **10 p.m.**

MON
Monday
September 30

Zen Meditation
(Mediation Chapel)
4 p.m.



Resume Writing Workshop
(LC 301)
5 p.m. to **6 p.m.**

Voices of Praise
(Smith 101)
5 p.m. to **7 p.m.**

Women's and Gender Studies film; "From Dange to Dignity"
(LC Gallery Theater)
7 p.m.

Four Nations Ensemble
(Weis Center)
8 p.m.

TUE
Tuesday
October 1

Christians In Action
(Taylor 112)
12 p.m. to **1 p.m.**

CDC Stepping Stones
(LC 301)
12 p.m. to **1 p.m.**

CDC Jumpstart
(LC 217)
4 p.m. to **5 p.m.**

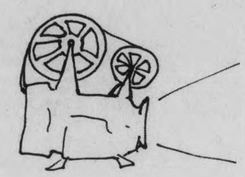
Four Nations Workshop
(Weis Center)
8 p.m.

WED
Wednesday
October 2

Christians In Action
(McDonnell 242)
6:30 a.m. to **7:30 a.m.**

CDC Jumpstart
(Bio Building 221)
5 p.m. to **6 p.m.**

Art and Art History Film Series; "The Agony and The Ecstasy"
(LC Forum)
7 p.m.



"A Beautiful Mind"
(Vaughan Literature Auditorium)
10:30 p.m

THU
Thursday
October 3

Four Nations Presentation; performance techniques
(Weis Center)
12 p.m.

CDC Jumpstart
(Vaughan Literature 202)
5 p.m. to **6 p.m.**

Fourth Sunday Choir Rehearsal
(Meditation Chapel)
5:30 p.m. to **7 p.m.**

"The Well" Worship Service
(LC 213)
8:30 p.m. to **11 p.m.**

Women's Resource Center Lecture; Stephanie Shields
(LC Gallery Theater)
7:30 p.m.

Information on *The Bucknellian Calendar*

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The sporting event calendar continues to run in the Sports section, this week on page B2

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Arts & Entertainment

Book depicts life of a low-wage worker

By Stacey Gawronski
Writer

Barbara Ehrenreich's book "Nickel and Dimed: On (Not) Getting By in America" has created a stir among its readers. The book, published in 2001, is Ehrenreich's account of life as a low-wage worker in America.

Ehrenreich's interest in low-wage workers and survival inspired her to embark on this rather odd journey. The author wanted to see if, as welfare rhetoric claimed, any job was the way to a better, more prosperous life. Instead of simply believing that, or interviewing others working for poverty-level wages, Ehrenreich decided to experience this lifestyle for herself.

Dropping almost everything in her comfortable life, Ehrenreich discovered that making ends meet on poverty-level wages was nearly impossible. She allowed herself a rental car, and admits that put her ahead of the game to start.

In the book's introduction, she wrote, "In addition to being mobile and unencumbered, I am probably in a lot better health than most members of the long-term low-wage workforce. I had everything going for me."

Book Review

Despite her advantages, Ehrenreich found it extremely difficult to survive, let alone prosper. She found that these "unskilled" jobs were not unskilled at all. Also, one job was often not enough to make ends meet, for "jobs are so cheap—as measured by the pay—that a worker is encouraged to take on as many of them as she possibly can."

"Nickel and Dimed" is a fascinating book, one that people should read to get a better understanding of poverty in the United States. Ehrenreich reveals the reality behind working for low wages. Taking the first job available to her and for the highest pay possible, Ehrenreich worked as a waitress and then a hotel maid in Key West, Fla., a cleaning woman and nursing home aid in Portland, Maine and a Wal-Mart sales clerk in Minneapolis, Minn. None of these jobs came easily for Ehrenreich; in fact, job searching became quite time-consuming.

Aside from the personality test that Ehrenreich was forced to take at Wal-Mart, she had to deal with the now common drug test. Of this, she said, "It rankles—at some deep personal, physical level—to know that the many engaging qualities I believe I have to offer—friendliness, reliability, willingness to learn—can all be trumped by my pee." She passed the drug test and secured a job at Wal-Mart.

The final chapter in "Nickel and Dimed" is Ehrenreich's own evaluation of how she fared as a low-wage worker. She acknowledges that none of the jobs were easy, but she learned new skills, terms and tools in each.

In Portland, Ehrenreich came closest to living a decent life-having a place to stay and meals on the table. She worked seven days a week to achieve this decency, and living in the same residence in the summer would have cost her more than she could afford with her wages.

In each city, Ehrenreich revealed her true self, explaining that she was researching the low-wage job market to write a book. She received very little reaction from her co-workers.

Although Ehrenreich does not have the solution for the millions of Americans who work for poverty-level wages year-round, she does reveal the sad truth behind the welfare rhetoric. She discovered that "no one said that you could work hard—harder even than you ever thought possible—and still find yourself sinking deeper into poverty and debt."

Poetry Slam event approaching

The first Poetry Slam of the year will take place on Oct. 2 in Uptown

By Nicole Gallo
Writer

The University is once again very excited about the upcoming Poetry Slam, taking place Wednesday, Oct. 2 at Uptown. Traditionally held once a year in the spring, students have the chance to attend the Poetry Slam four times this year, twice in the fall and twice in the spring.

Often comedic and at other times tragic and poignant, the Poetry Slam is an interactive poetry competition. Judges are randomly selected from the audience to evaluate the performance and content of student and faculty poets in an unconventional style of poetry.

For the past three years, the Poetry Slam has been very well attended. Last spring, over 240 people came to watch 29 student and faculty poets perform.

Last year's slam in April saw four teams battle for slam bragging rights, sponsored by LGBT, Mirth Grinder literary magazine, a social justice class and a team comprised of poetry students.

Afterwards, feature poet and emcee of the evening Regie Cabico suggested that Bucknell compete at the national college slam. A committee was formed to foster this goal on campus.

The first slam of the series will feature Cristin O'Keefe Aptowicz. Aptowicz is "Slammistress" and emcee of the two-time National Slam Championship team, New York City Urbana Poetry Slam. A former porn writer turned professional poet, she has appeared on HBO's "Def Poetry" and has been published in slam anthologies.

Courtesy of Urbana Poetry Slam

Cristin O'Keefe Aptowicz will perform at the University's Poetry Slam on Oct. 2. Aptowicz was a member of the winning National Slam team.

In past years, such nationally renowned and televised poets as Regie Cabico, Beau Sia, Toni Blackmon, Shappy Seasholtz and Yolanda Wilkinson have performed on the University's stage.

The second slam of the year is scheduled for Friday, Oct. 25 and will feature slam poet Taylor Mali.

"I think that as each Slam goes by, more and more people realize what an amazing experience it is," Christina Macmillan '05 said. "The campus community is extremely supportive of the event and I have high hopes that we're going to get a large, enthusiastic crowd for the Slam coming up. We're able to bring in such talented professionals that I really can't see why anyone wouldn't come."

The Slam has always been a way for the University to display its diversity through poetry. Not solely an "English major" event, everyone is welcome and encouraged to slam. Slammers range from engineering students to faculty members, and there will be an open mic segment before the contest for those who do not want to compete. The performers and topics are always diverse and entertaining.

As a member of the audience, you are part of the experience, whether you have been handed a score card or not. As is most often the case, it is the loud fan sitting next to the judge that has the ultimate say on a poet's score, and on the excitement and hilarity of the evening.

Theatre is a piece of history

By Melinda Kummer
Senior Writer

Salted popcorn, sticky vintage seats and primary-colored lights—the Campus Theatre is a one-of-a-kind movie-viewing experience. One of only 300 historical theaters in the country, the Campus Theatre boasts original murals, seats, curtains, signage, lighting fixtures and a marquee dating back to 1940.

Assistant Professor of English and Film Studies Eric Faden bought the theater in June 2001. He describes the small theater as a "historical treasure" and is devoted to preserving its historical integrity.

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

The Campus Theatre is a historical movie theatre. Faden bought the theatre in 2001 and wants to preserve its historical integrity.

Possessing only a single screen, the theater focuses on bringing highly specialized programming to Lewisburg.

"I think the campus theatre is gorgeous—the old fashioned style is comfortable and unique to anywhere I've ever been. It's reminiscent of a 1920's jazz club," Kim Klauder '05 said.

Faden says the University community is always kept in mind when considering which films to bring to the theater.

"We concentrate mostly on independent, foreign, classic and art films. We often see the films early (in New York or Philadelphia) and then decide what films will work the best for Lewisburg," Faden said.

The Campus Theatre works to bring people from many different walks of life to common ground.

"From the community's perspective, I think the theater is an extraordinary example of how a university can save, and, in fact, revitalize historic structures that are normally demolished," Faden said.

Last week, the theater showed a studio archival restored film print of Alfred Hitchcock's "Rear Window." The audience had the rare opportunity to see an "archival" print, since "touring" prints are the most common showings.

Additional features to look forward to this semester include "The Dangerous Lives of Alter Boys" starring Jodie Foster; "The Fast Runner (Atanarjuat)," which won the Camera d'Or award in Cannes for Best First Feature in Canada; "Festival of Animation" running from Oct. 11-17 and "Metropolis," a 1927 Fritz Lang silent film, fully restored with the original orchestral score.

Located at 415 Market St., the Campus Theatre is just a short walk from the University and student tickets are $5.

Willpower depicted in "Four Feathers"

By Stephanie Nickse
Senior Writer

Those who believed in freedom, honored loved ones and had the passion and willpower to defend a nation are the heroes portrayed in "The Four Feathers." This movie is a beautiful epic that ties some of the strongest human ideas and feelings to a historical plot to defend England in the late 1800s.

Movie Review

"'The Four Feathers' is a great movie," Jennifer Reczek '04 said. "It has just enough action and romance to keep everyone happy."

While young friends are sent off to war in the Sudan to defend their homeland, one man decides that he cannot go and resigns from his position as a soldier. For his cowardly behavior, he receives four feathers from his friends and fiancée. In desperation to redeem himself in their eyes, he travels to the Sudan and positions himself so that he can protect his country and look after the friends who he abandoned.

Heath Ledger plays the role of this coward-turned-hero. Other actors in the film include Wes Bentley, whose character—both a soldier and Ledger's best friend—refuses to give him a feather; Kate Hudson, a loving fiancée who is devastated by Ledger's weakness; Djimon Hounsou, an Arab man who saves Ledger in the desert and befriends him while he struggles to survive and Michael Sheen, another friend and soldier who gives Ledger a feather.

The movie is set in the Moroccan desert, where the Sudanese Arabs and the British troops are fighting a war. The movie takes place in 1884, when European nations were trying to divide African lands among themselves. An uprising of the Sudanese led the British to defend themselves against these warriors on foreign land. The army was crushed, but the story of friendship, courage and honor survives.

"'The Four Feathers' captivated my attention and led me through an exciting tale about love, friendship, loyalty, fear, faith and hope," Jamie Robinson '03 said. "The historical context of the movie added an extra twist to the plot."

Emmy winners announced

Outstanding Lead Actor in a Comedy Series
Ray Romano—"Everybody Loves Raymond"

Outstanding Lead Actress in a Comedy Series
Jennifer Aniston—"Friends"

Outstanding Lead Actor in a Drama Series
Michael Chiklis—"The Shield"

Outstanding Lead Actress in a Drama Series
Allison Janney—"The West Wing"

Outstanding Lead Actor in a Miniseries or a Movie
Albert Finney—"The Gathering Storm"

Outstanding Lead Actress in a Miniseries or a Movie
Laura Linney—"Wild Iris"

Outstanding Supporting Actor in a Comedy Series
Brad Garrett—"Everybody Loves Raymond"

Outstanding Supporting Actress in a Comedy Series
Doris Roberts—"Everybody Loves Raymond"

Outstanding Supporting Actor in a Drama Series
John Spencer—"The West Wing"

Outstanding Supporting Actress in a Drama Series
Stockard Channing—"The West Wing"

Outstanding Supporting Actor in a Miniseries or a Movie
Michael Moriarty—"James Dean"

Outstanding Supporting Actress in a Miniseries or a Movie
Stockard Channing—"The Matthew Shepard Story"

Outstanding Individual Performance in a Variety or Music Program
Sting—"A&E in Concert: Sting in Tuscany ... All This Time"

Outstanding Comedy Series
"Friends"

Outstanding Drama Series
"The West Wing"

Outstanding Miniseries
"Band of Brothers"

Outstanding Made for Television Movie
"The Gathering Storm"

Outstanding Variety, Music or Comedy Series
"The Late Show with David Letterman"

Outstanding Variety, Music or Comedy Special
"America: A Tribute to Heroes"

Outstanding Writing for a Comedy Series
"The Bernie Mac Show," Pilot

Outstanding Writing for a Drama Series
"24," Midnight - 1 am (Pilot)

Outstanding Writing for a Variety, Music or Comedy Program
"Saturday Night Live"

Outstanding Writing for a Miniseries, Movie or a Dramatic Special
"The Gathering Storm"

Outstanding Directing for a Comedy Series
"Sex and the City"

Outstanding Directing for a Drama Series
"Six Feet Under"

Outstanding Directing for a Variety, Music or Comedy Program
"Opening Ceremony Salt Lake 2002 Olympic Winter Games"

Outstanding Directing in a Miniseries, Movie or a Dramatic Special
"Band of Brothers"

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Courtesy of Reuters

After accepting their Emmys, the cast of 'Friends" poses for a picture. "Friends" picked up its first Best Comedy Emmy Sunday night.

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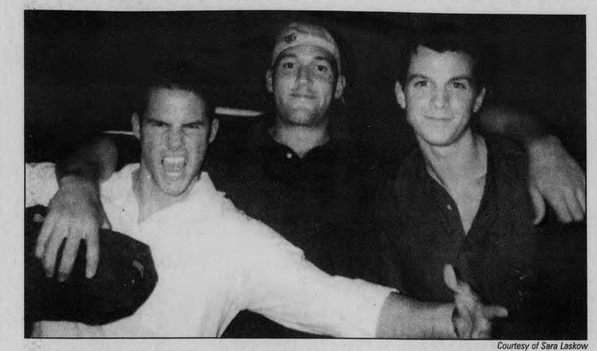
From Lewisburg to Las Vegas

University alum Frank Roessler '01 finds fame on MTV's "The Real World"



Courtesy of Sara Laskow

Cast members of Season 12 of MTV's "The Real World" Frank Roessler '01 (right) and Steve (left) pose for a photo at California State University Northridge with Frank's current roommate Joe Aburdene '00. Since finishing "The Real World," Roessler has been traveling to schools across the country to give speeches.

By Rachel Laskow
Editor-in-Chief

This season, Frank Roessler '01 became one of the seven strangers picked to live in a house and have his life taped. Roessler, once a Lewisburg resident, is one of the cast members of MTV's "The Real World Las Vegas." Now in its 12th season, the "The Real World" debuted in 1992 as the first reality TV show.

Roessler graduated from the University with an electrical engineering degree and had a few job offers in that field, but instead decided to move to Los Angeles and take a job as a production assistant.

"When I graduated I turned down all my job offers in New York and went to L.A., not to become famous, but for an adventure. It felt good to be doing something risky for once in my life, but I couldn't help feeling like a moron for not starting my career right away. I really felt like I was wasting my life," Roessler said.

When Roessler first moved across the country, he had no intention of auditioning for the "The Real World." In fact, before he auditioned, he had not seen the show in years. Originally, Roessler's current roommate and childhood friend Joe Aburdene '00 wanted to audition, but had a scheduling conflict.

"I have been a big fan of the 'The Real World' since it started, and I actually was the one that wanted to try out. However, I had a scheduling conflict with the open call and ended up missing it. I told him he should go instead, and that I knew he'd make it," Aburdene said.

Roessler listened to his friend and on Dec. 1, he was one of 35,000 people to audition in big cities across the country. From Dec. 1 to Feb. 9, Roessler had to go through seven rounds of interviews before being chosen to be on the show. According to Roessler, the interviews were more rigorous than job interviews.

"The suspense was enormous. Each of the five interviews took about two hours," Roessler said.

Roessler did not tell his parents about his first audition.

"He told us he went out for the

See REAL WORLD, page A3

Courtesy of Reuters

Former Philadelphia Mayor Ed Rendell visited campus last weekend to campaign for his upcoming bid in Pennsylvania's gubernatorial race.

Rendell campaigns at University

By Dana Binnendijk
Writer

Ed Rendell, the Democratic candidate for Pennsylvania governor, came to the University on Saturday to shake hands with students, faculty and alumni at a pre-football game barbecue, organized by Professor of Biology Mitchell Chernin.

Rendell came to campus because he had a Union County Democrats meeting at the Lewisburg Hotel and heard there was a Saturday football game at the University. One of his promoters mentioned his love of sports, especially foot-

See RENDELL, page A10

Alcohol Report yields encouraging results

By Michelle Dombeck
Arts & Entertainment Editor

A comprehensive alcohol report concerning University student alcohol use has been completed and will be released shortly. The results of the report indicate that the there has been a major decrease in alcohol use and abuse from two years ago.

Richard Ferraro, dean of students, wrote the report this summer. He said that two years ago, the alcohol situation at the University was very problematic.

"When I came here a little over two years ago, there were very significant problems with alcohol. Looking back on some of the student conduct and some excesses, it was really pretty bad," Ferraro said. "But we've made some progress since then."

A few years ago, the University was rated No. 1 in the nation for hard liquor use. Since then, it fell to No. 17 and now has been off the top 20 list entirely for two years.

Alcohol incidents, which are write-ups by Public Safety, resident assistants and the police, are also down.

"Alcohol incidents declined by 28 percent last year, which is pretty impressive. Most schools remain fairly constant in this area or even have increases," Ferraro said. "This is also a pretty hard finding with no need for interpretation. The incidents are simply down."

Downtown incidents are down as well.

"We still have some concerns downtown, but last year was the best year in recent memory," Ferraro said. "The head of the police committee downtown still wants some improvement, but she admitted that it's a better situation than it's been recently."

"In 2000, 59.7 percent of our students, at least occasionally, engaged in binge drinking, which is defined as more than five drinks on one occasion. In 2002, the figure declined to 34.1 percent."

*—**Richard Ferraro**, dean of students*

In addition to these findings, the report includes data from student surveys that were distributed in 2000 and 2002. This data also indicates that student alcohol abuse has decreased.

"In 2000, 59.7 percent of our students, at least occasionally, engaged in binge drinking, which is defined as more than five drinks on one occasion," Ferraro said. "In 2002, the figure declined to 34.1 percent. To put that in the national norm, the average in the nation is about 44 percent. We went from significantly above to significantly below the average, which is a very good finding."

Another question on the survey asked how many alcoholic drinks students consumed, on average, per week.

"In 2000, according to the survey, the average was 8.4 drinks a week. The national average at undergraduate colleges is 5.2 drinks per student per week, so we were significantly above. We came down to 6.1 in 2002. This means that students are becoming more moderate and responsible," Ferraro said.

Instead of engaging in heavy drinking, Ferraro believes students are becoming more moderate and simply finding other things to do.

"What we're seeing is people who are not drinking, or who are drinking less. Events like Pub Night at Uptown and BU After Dark encourage students to drink moderately, or not at all," Ferraro said.

Some students have a hard time believing that alcohol abuse is really down at the University.

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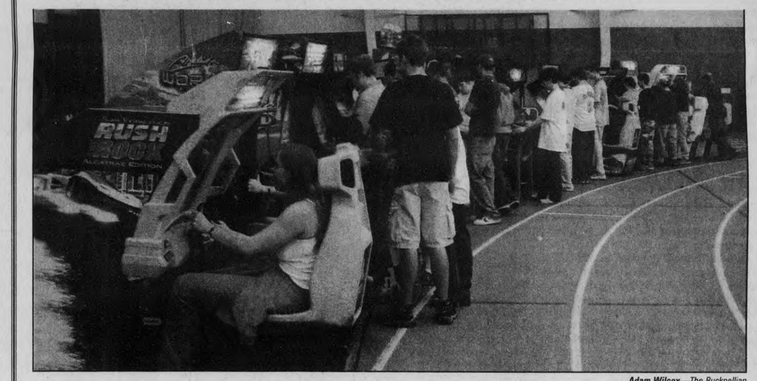
BU After Dark lights up fieldhouse



Adam Wilcox—The Bucknellian

Students participated in arcade games, laser tag, a dunk tank, an inflatable maze, basketball tournaments and many other activities at BU After Dark. Due to its popularity among students last semester, the event returned to campus last Saturday evening.

Bison Express to return with improvements

Mobile kitchen will replace the concessions trailer and feature new menu options

By Alyson Walker
Features Editor

Hungry uphill residents, never fear—the Bison Express will be back, and better than before.

The original Bison Express, a concessions stand placed between Bertrand Library and Delta Upsilon Fraternity, was removed this summer and used for its primary purpose as a stand for sporting events. It will be replaced by a new mobile kitchen, 32 feet in length with better equipment including a grill, walk-in cooler, fryer, coffeemaker and heater.

According to General Manager of Dining Services Tim Tenon, plans for the Bison Express have been in the works for a while, and the facility will be running as soon as the utilities to maintain it are available.

"This mobile kitchen is on campus, over by the art barn. We are waiting to have the utilities ready to then move it over onto the main campus—there is staff that is ready to work in it, so once the utilities are ready, we begin," Tenon said.

The new Bison Express will be located on the west side of Bertrand Library among Coleman Hall, Fraternity Road and the library. With all the new amenities in the kitchen, more power is needed than for the old Bison Express, which had a microwave and cooler as its greatest electrical demands.

The new facility will be a vast improvement from last year.

"When we started last year, we used the concessions trailer, knowing that it wasn't the ideal situation or the best equipped, but it was something we had. We thought we could get the Bison Express started and see what was and was not popular with students," Tenon said.

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*—**Tim Tenon**, general manager of Dining Services*

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The original idea for the Bison Express came from students, and it has been supported by administration.

"BSG [Bucknell Student Government] originally thought about the idea for the Bison Express. It was an entirely student driven project at first. Students went to Dining Services with concerns and a vision. The outcome is what you saw next to the library last year," Amir Sadaghiani '02 said.

"I think we were pleasantly surprised with how well it did. The Bison Express is something that was supported by the administration," Tenon said.

Returning students contacted both BSG and Dining Services regarding the whereabouts of the Bison Express.

"Many students have been contacting me and other BSG officers about what has happened to the Bison Express," Sadaghiani said.

"We have had interest from students wanting to know if it is or isn't going to happen—it is going to happen. We are fully supportive of getting it there and up and running but we want to make sure it's done right," Tenon said.

Students are excited to hear about a new facility with improvements that could mean better menu options.

"The food there last semester stunk, but it was the only convenient place to go. New menu options

See BISON EXPRESS, page A2

News

Public Safety Log

Tuesday, Sept. 25

MISSING PROPERTY—A student reported to Public Safety that a dorm refrigerator was missing from Tustin Gym since August but was not previously reported. The student will check with various club members to see if she can locate the equipment.

THEFT—An employee reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed a wooden sign in front of Sunflower Child Care building and replaced it with a sign taken from the Fence Restaurant on Route 405. East Buffalo Township Police Department and Public Safety were contacted. The Fence sign was returned to the restaurant. The Sunflower sign was later located at the Lewisburg Middle School and returned to its proper place. The incident is under investigation.

Wednesday, Sept. 26

UNDERAGE DRINKING / PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS—East Buffalo Township Police Department requested Public Safety at the front of Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity for possible underage drinking violations. Upon further investigation, Public Safety learned that East Buffalo Township Police Department had stopped and identified two female students, under the age of 21, who had consumed alcohol. One female was cited for underage drinking and public drunkenness and the other was cited for underage drinking.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF / UNDERAGE DRINKING—While on routine patrol, Public Safety observed a male and a female in the basket of a construction lift parked behind Vedder Hall. Upon further investigation, the officers identified the individuals as students, under the age of 21, who had consumed alcohol. East Buffalo Township Police Department and Lewisburg Police Department were on the scene. The students will be cited for criminal mischief and underage drinking.

UNDERAGE DRINKING / FAILURE TO COMPLY / OPEN CONTAINER—While on routine patrol, Public Safety observed a suspicious male walking past Edwards House, with a rectangular shaped object tucked under the front of his shirt. After a foot pursuit from the rear of Vedder, the male was apprehended by Public Safety at Bucknell Hall. Two sorority paddles and an open bottle of beer were found in the area where Public Safety first stopped the male. Upon further investigation, Public Safety determined the male was a student under the age of 21, who had consumed alcohol. Citations for disorderly conduct, underage drinking and possession of an open container were issued.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) broke two kitchen windows at the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity. The incident is under investigation.

Friday, Sept. 27

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—Public Safety responded to the rear of Larison Hall for the report of males yelling and breaking things. Upon further investigation, Public Safety found that a wooden chair was smashed in the quad behind Larison Hall. The incident is under investigation.

INFORMATION / UNAUTHORIZED VISITOR—Public Safety responded to a Bucknell West Mod to assist University officials with a student who refused to leave a mod he was visiting. The male was transported by Public Safety to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency room for treatment and later returned to campus. A citation was issued for underage drinking. Further citations pending.

Sunday, Sept. 29

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student contacted Public Safety and requested transportation to the Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency room for treatment of a wrist injury. A Student Health Services driver responded and transported the student and later returned him to campus.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—Public Safety responded to Gateway Roser for the report of a student having difficulty breathing. The individual was transported by ambulance to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment of an overdose of prescription drugs. The student later returned to campus.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT—Public Safety responded to Christy Mathewson Memorial Stadium for the report of a fight in progress involving fans from a visiting team with a knife. East Buffalo Township Police Department and Lewisburg Police Department responded. A visitor was confronted by another visitor after his behavior became disruptive. The disorderly male then exposed a knife blade. Citations for disorderly conduct were issued to both males and an additional citation for harassment was issued to one. Both visitors have been banned from the University property until further notice.

ACCIDENT / HIT & RUN—Public Safety responded to the parking lot in the Bucknell West Mods for the report of a vehicle that sustained damage while parked there. No witnesses or suspects were located. The incident is under investigation.

INFORMATION / POSSIBLE SEXUAL ASSAULT—A student reported to Public Safety that she believes she was sexually assaulted, while being intoxicated, at an off campus residence. The incident is under investigation.

Monday, Sept. 30

MISSING PROPERTY—An employee reported to Public Safety that the smoker's station had been removed from the rear of Dana Engineering Building. No witnesses or suspects were located. The incident is under investigation.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A resident assistant contacted Public Safety and advised them there was a student in Smith Hall requesting transportation to Evangelical Emergency Room for treatment of a sore throat. A Student Health Services driver transported the individual, who later returned to campus.

SUSPICIOUS PERSON—Public safety responded to Vedder Hall for the report of a suspicious person inside the building. Upon investigation, Public Safety determined a male had been walking in the building asking directions to the building's library. Staff in the building had escorted the male outside. A search of the building and the area met with negative results.

Tuesday, Oct. 1

MISSING PROPERTY—Public Safety responded to a Roberts Hall office for the report of two missing keys. Physical Plant responded to change the locks. The incident is under investigation.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student contacted Public Safety to request transportation to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment of a back problem. A Student Health Services driver responded and transported the individual, who later returned to campus.

Official ring released today by University and ArtCarved

By Chris Styers
Senior Writer

As part of the Parents Weekend celebration, the official University ring will be unveiled today in the University Bookstore.

The newly adopted tradition of a unique ring design will replace purchasing customized University jewelry and will offer a tangible, everlasting bond between alumni and the University.

In previous years, students could purchase individualized jewelry in many different styles. Because each piece of jewelry was so unique and individualized, alumni had no unifying symbol by which they could recognize each other.

The new ring will serve as a universal icon for alumni as well as a symbol of University characteristics, such as academic excellence and faculty devotion.

Plans for the ring began several years ago. In 2002, the Single Ring Committee, consisting of the University Bookstore, Office of Alumni, Parents and Volunteers, ArtCarved (makers of the official ring,) students, faculty and staff, surveyed students in the LC Mall for ideas pertaining to the ring.

The surveys asked students to contribute their feelings on some of the most memorable places or symbols around campus. The University seal was chosen from a long list of possibilities as the most recognizable and important symbols to students and the committee.

"The Bucknell family grows every year by leaps and bounds. It is our hope that the implementation of an official ring tradition will serve as a symbol of our family's unity, as well as the community we share," Jennifer Butler '03 said.

To help celebrate the unveiling of the rings, the committee hopes to have an Official University Ring presentation in late spring for students who purchase the ring.

The ceremony is intended to be similar to the First Night ceremony for incoming students.

University President Steffen Rogers, Board of Trustees members, parents, faculty, alumni and staff are expected to take part in the ceremony recognizing Official Ring recipients.

The unveiling of the ring will take place today, Saturday and Monday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and will also be on display Sunday from 9 a.m. to noon.

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would be a great change," Adam Turbett '04 said. "The new storage will help too—they needed more spots for storage because they were running out of items. You would go there, and they'd be out of the things you'd want, but you couldn't go anywhere else by that time to get any breakfast, so you'd have to get something from them anyway."

Full utilities, including water and a phone line, would mean that students could use their BU IDs instead of filling out slips to charge their food.

"That's one of the goals of the new Bison Express," Tenon said.

This is not the only goal for uphill eating. Tenon said the next step would be to find an indoor service uphill.

"The ultimate goal for us is to have permanent space inside a building. But space is at a premium on campus. Ideally, if we can get through this school year, we could possibly have a more permanent location next year," Tenon said.

The idea of the Bison Express was originally designed to service uphill residents. The new location will make it even more convenient for them.

"It's nice for the kids who are uphill and have classes in the quad to have somewhere where they can get food on the way to their classes, instead of having to go past them and come back," Trisha Berner '04 said.

"I think that uphill needs a real place to go and eat, besides a little trailer. It took too long to walk to the cafeteria because it was out of the way between McDonnell and Swartz and any of the academic buildings," Turbett said.

"It's nice to have somewhere uphill to grab a drink or a quick meal when you're in a hurry and just don't have time to make it to the LC," Janet Serafin '04 said.

The return of the Bison Express is viewed optimistically by both Tenon and Sadaghiani.

"If we can get it anywhere up on that quad by the library and have a menu and products at convenient times for the campus community, I think it could be quite successful," Tenon said.

"I hope that the new Bison Express is all that the old one was and more. I feel that it will still serve the same needs of students who originally wanted an uphill eatery, while attracting more students with its expanded options," Sadaghiani said.

The exact date of opening is as of yet unknown, but students can look forward to seeing the Bison Express back in action soon.

Toni Morrison

Weis Center

Oct. 17, 8 p.m.

Tickets for the lecture will be available at the Weis Center box office and the Langone Center box office on Oct. 7 at 9 a.m. Tickets are free with presentation of a BUID, and will not be available to the general public until Oct. 14 at 9 a.m. The Weis Center box office will extend office hours to 5:30 p.m. on Oct. 7.

Bucknellian Corrections

Sept. 27 issue:

Aaron Hanlon is not a member of the recolonizing pledge class of Tau Kappa Epsilon (TKE) fraternity.

Dr. Donald Stechschulte will be running for the position of Congressional Representative of Pennsylvania's 10th Congressional District in the upcoming Nov. elections.

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News

World Briefs

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Russia may back U.N. resolution

In an apparent breakthrough for U.S. diplomats, Russia's foreign minister suggested Wednesday that Moscow may be willing to support a new U.N. resolution on Iraq if it helps the work of arms inspectors. Until now, Russia has insisted that the existing U.N. resolutions should be sufficient as long as Baghdad permitted the inspectors to resume their duties.

U.S. soldier dead in Philippine blast

ZAMBOANGA, Philippines—A U.S. soldier and a Filipino were killed in a powerful blast Wednesday outside a bar frequented by soldiers from an adjacent military base in the southern Philippines, officials and military sources said. At least 14 people were wounded in the explosion, which went off just a few yards from where the U.S. troops have been staying while supporting a humanitarian mission on nearby Basilan Island.

Surge in Kashmir election violence

SRINAGAR, India—Violence continued to plague the third round of balloting for the state legislature in Indian Kashmir on Wednesday, with at least 10 people killed in three separate attacks. Nearly 150 political activists, candidates, soldiers and civilians have died since elections began.

Croatian leader confronts Milosovic

THE HAGUE, Netherlands—The first head of state to testify at Slobodan Milosevic's war crimes trial portrayed him Tuesday as a frosty warmonger bent on creating an ethnically pure Greater Serbia. Croatian President Stipe Mesic gave evidence for nearly four hours as a prosecution witness at the U.N. tribunal for the former Yugoslavia. Legal experts said his testimony gave the clearest snapshot yet of how the former Serb leader took control of the federal army, the budget and the presidency, and turned them into Serb entities aimed at promoting a "greater Serbian" nation.

Bulgaria makes plan to join EU

SOFIA—European Union (EU) candidate Bulgaria said on Wednesday it should not be lumped with slower Balkan aspirant Romania because that might hurt its chances of joining the bloc by the end of 2006. While the two Balkan neighbors have recently joined forces to knock on NATO's door, Sofia said being paired with Bucharest in the EU membership queue is a disadvantage.

Thousands of foreign troops have left Congo

KINSHASA—Some 15,000 foreign troops have left the Democratic Republic of Congo in recent weeks and thousands more are expected to pull out in the coming days, senior U.N. officials said on Wednesday. The mass retreat falls under renewed efforts to end Africa's biggest war, which sucked in six countries and left more than two million people dead.

NASA shuts down Mission Control

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla.—NASA postponed the space shuttle Atlantis' flight until next week after Hurricane Lili forced an unprecedented shutdown Wednesday of Houston's Mission Control.

Fastow surrenders to FBI

HOUSTON—Andrew Fastow, the Enron executive who masterminded the financial schemes that brought down the company, was charged with inflating the energy giant's profits and siphoning off millions for himself, his family and friends.

University graduate finds success in "The Real World"

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audition, but so did 35,000 other people. I didn't realize, as an adult, the proportions of popularity the show has," Roessler's father Howard Roessler said.

According to Roessler, after each interview, MTV told him he would receive a call in two weeks, but would call him after two days. When he got to the semifinal round, he did not receive the call for two weeks. When the directors called him to tell him he made the final cut, Roessler called every person in his address book and could not sleep for the next two days.

"Even up to the last second, I really never thought I was going to make it. I just couldn't see myself as one of those 'characters.' It's funny, but halfway through the interviewing process I told the casting directors I thought I was too boring to be on the 'Real World.' Lucky for them my roommates didn't have the same problem," Roessler said.

Roessler received the good news on a Friday and moved to Las Vegas just a few days later on Feb. 13. He lived with his six roommates in a casino's penthouse until June 21. According to Roessler, the design and artwork of the penthouse were gorgeous.

"Our living quarters were actually the smallest 'The Real World' house ever, half the size of Chicago, so that added to the drama. But the tradeoff was that we were in a casino. The bar, nightclub, pool, restaurants, movies and weight room were just an elevator ride away," Roessler said.

When Roessler first met his roommates, he thought they were the best looking cast he had ever seen.

"I had my ups and downs with all of them, but now we're all good friends. I never expected to come out of the show with anyone I considered a true friend, but Steven and I actually live right next to each other now and do pretty much the same stuff we did on the show," Roessler said.

Another consequence of stardom that Roessler had to get used to was the cameras. About 30 cameras were placed throughout the penthouse and constantly taped the cast.

"The first day I was kind of nervous. I was surprised about how quickly I forgot about the cameras. After about a week, you think of them as your shadow," Roessler said.

Although audience members often question the validity of the show, Roessler insists that the show is real.

"Every single part of the show was real. It's not acting. However, I'll admit that there were things I tried to avoid on the show because of the cameras, things you just don't want advertised. Through the interview process I was a lot of talk. That might be why I was chosen. But on the show I realized I didn't go to Las Vegas to become a softcore porn star," Roessler said.

So far, the first three episodes of the "The Real World" have aired. According to Roessler, the first episode was not a reflection of what the rest of the reason will be like.

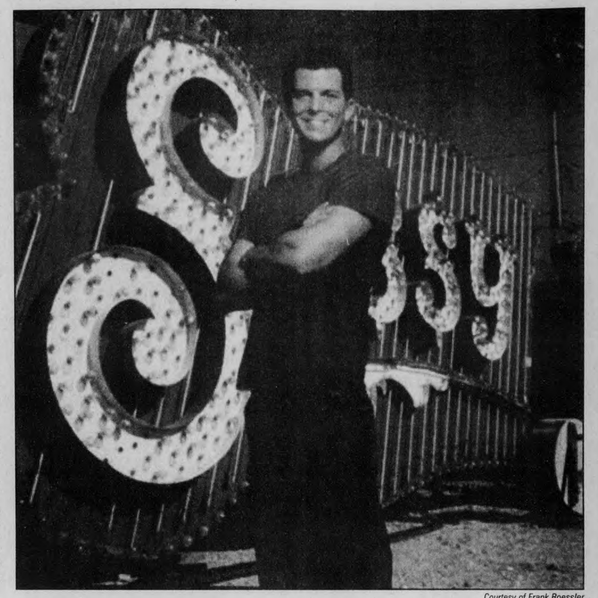
"I think the first episode might have made Frank look a little bad with the whole girl situation, but I think he handled himself well and that is just the kind of guy he is. He is a genuinely a good guy and he is going to represent Phi Gamma Delta (FIJI) and Bucknell to the fullest," Rossler's fraternity brother and FIJI President Luis Davila '03 said.

Howard Roessler watches his son on television each week.

"It's strange to surf TV and all of a sudden you see your son. I expect to see him on home movies, not on TV," Roessler said.

According to Roessler, he cannot stand watching himself on television.

"I think about all the people who are looking at me at that moment and I go crazy. This whole thing still feels like a dream right now," Roessler said.



Courtesy of Frank Roessler

Frank Roessler '01 (above), a cast member of the long-running series "The Real World," says he doesn't consider his selection for the show an accomplishment, but rather "a chance-of-a-lifetime experience I'll never forget." The 12th installment of the series, filmed in Las Vegas and featuring Roessler, is currently airing on MTV.

Aburdene believes that Roessler is more critical of himself than other people are when they watch the "The Real World."

"When I see Frank on TV, I think he comes off very much like how he is in person. I think Bunim-Murray has done a good job in capturing Frank and incorporating his sense of humor and personality, which is why he was picked for the show in the first place," Aburdene said.

According to Roessler, being chosen for the show was just luck and he believes it does not take a rocket scientist to embarrass yourself on national television.

"I don't consider 'The Real World' admirable or an accomplishment, but at least I got a chance-of-a-lifetime experience that I'll never forget," Roessler said.

Living in Las Vegas made Roessler realize how spoiled he was at the University because he got used to the intelligent, good looking and humorous people here.

"Las Vegas is like hell's waiting room. It's about the right temperature and everyone's on their way there," Roessler said.

Even after spending five months in Las Vegas, Roessler still said that he could not have had the same experience that he had at the University anywhere else.

"I loved Bucknell. It was one of the greatest experiences of my life. As a matter of fact, all my roommates got sick of how much I talked about it," Roessler said.

As of now, Roessler does not have any specific plans for the future, although he is considering graduate school. Since the show ended, he has been doing speaking engagements around the country, such as one at California State University Northridge last week.

During the rest of the "The Real World" season, there will be a few surprises and, according to Roessler, the cast will spend two weeks on "the world's largest island continent where the toilets flush clockwise."

To see the drama unfold and secrets revealed, watch the "The Real World" to "find out what happens when people stop being polite and start getting real: The Real World, Las Vegas."

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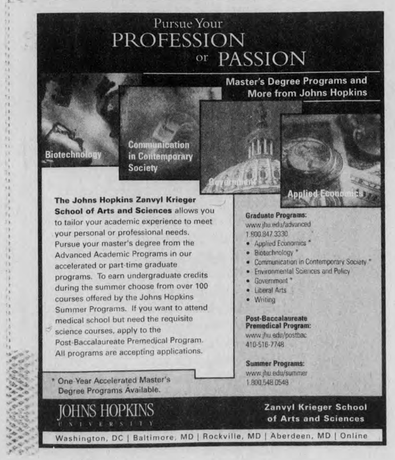
> —*Frank Roessler '01*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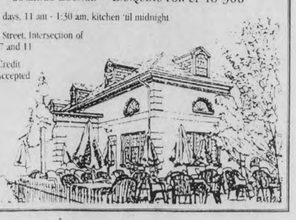

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For the man showing the greatest proficiency in English composition and literature during the junior year.
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For the civil engineering student whose academic achievement and application for the first three years show outstanding promise for a career in construction engineering and management.
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For excellence in scholarship and athletics.
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Lauren Elizabeth Schwarz

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For the woman showing the greatest proficiency in English composition and literature during the sophomore year.
Kasey Shane Morgenheim

THE UNIVERSITY PRIZE FOR MEN
For the man showing the greatest proficiency in English composition and literature during the sophomore year.
Joshua Larry Tepley

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For the student with the highest standing in mathematics during the first year.
Thomas John Goodman

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For the student with the highest standing in Latin during the first year.
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For the woman showing the greatest advance in English composition and literature during the first year.
Lauren Gayle Lombardo

THE UNIVERSITY PRIZE FOR MEN
For the man showing the greatest advance in English composition and literature during the first year.
Chris Ryan Fellabaum

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For the student with the highest standing in electrical engineering during the first year.
Thomas John Goodman

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For the student from Union County showing outstanding scholarship during the sophomore year.
Frederick LaRue Shrimp II

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To students who have completed their sophomore year and exhibit excellence in scholarship and promise and achievement in athletics.
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Brandi Trapasso
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For showing the greatest proficiency in English composition and literature during the junior year.
Paige Nicole Wiederspiel

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For the student whose preliminary examinations in English demonstrated the greatest proficiency in the elements of English composition during the first year.
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News

Report shows decline of binge drinking on campus

ALCOHOL REPORT From page A1

"I have noticed that many people go to events such as BU After Dark, which is a good sign, but I don't know that I've really seen a lot of evidence that people are drinking more responsibly," Joy Dickson '03 said. "I think we may be improving in this area, but considering all the other factors that could affect the results I don't think we're improving as much as we might believe and hope. I guess I'm a bit skeptical until I can rule out other factors."

Cristy Morgan '05 agrees.

"The numbers that came from the survey sound encouraging, but I'm not sure if they actually reflect the University's situation," Morgan said.

Coordinator for Alcohol and Other Drug Programs Robert Thomas, who was in charge of conducting this survey, said the response rate was similar for both years, but that the percentage of Greek students represented in the survey was not constant.

"The Office of the Registrar supplied a list of 150 students from each class year for a total sample of 600. The response rate for the 2000 survey was 20.6 percent and 20.5 percent for 2002," Thomas said. "In the 2000 survey, 24.8 percent of the students reported being actively involved in social fraternities or sororities. In 2002, the figure was 18 percent."

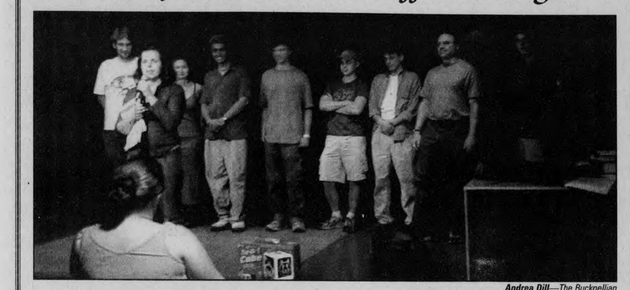
Greek students, according to Ferraro, tend to drink more than independent students. However, Ferraro said that the the two years can be compared.

"If you're giving the exact same survey in 2000 and in 2002, what you're really interested in is in the difference," Ferraro said. "There's no point in quibbling about the baseline."

Ferraro also urged people to look at the whole picture.

"The survey is one piece of the puzzle. Taken together with the decline of incidents and better reports from downtown, it seems undeniable that we are seeing some progress," Ferraro said. "Progress does not mean perfection and we still a ways to go, but we seem to be moving in the right direction."

Poetry slam series kicks off with laughs



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In the first poetry slam of the semester, 13 poets braved the stage in a two-round poetic brawl. Aaron DeRosa '03 placed first in the competition. Second place honors were earned by Jennifer Perrin '05, who had the highest scoring poem of the night. Third place went to Anton DeRosa. Feature professional poet Cristin O'Keefe Aptowicz led the event, and a special guest appearance was made by last year's feature, Shappy Seasholz.

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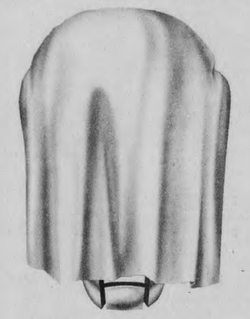

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The Bucknellian Editorial

Alcohol report encourages but inspires more effort

Within the next few days, a comprehensive alcohol report regarding alcohol use among University students will be released. The report illustrates that alcohol consumption from two years ago has decreased.

One important statistic emphasized by the report is that the number of alcohol incidents decreased by 28 percent from the 2000 to the 2002 study. These incidents include write-ups by Public Safety officers, residential assistants and the police. This decline can be attributed to many changes that the University has been implementing over the past few years. For example, the University now stresses alcohol awareness more during first-year student orientation than it did in the past.

The amount of alcoholic drinks that students consume each week has also declined. In 2000, the average student consumption was 8.4 drinks a week, and now it is 6.1 drinks a week. However, that average is still above the national average at undergraduate colleges, which is 5.2 drinks a week. Although the University's average is still above the national average, the important part is that the average decreased significantly from two years ago.

Despite the fact the University is still above the national average in terms of number of alcoholic drinks consumed each week, the University is going down on the national list for hard alcohol use. Once listed as No. 1 for hard liquor use, the University recently dropped to No. 17 and has now fallen off the top 20 list. Although the University should take credit for taking appropriate measures to decrease hard alcohol use, it is possible that alcohol consumption has increased at other schools and therefore the University dropped on the list.

According to Dean of Students Richard Ferraro, one reason why alcohol use has gone down is because students are choosing to drink in moderation. He also believes that students are finding non-alcoholic events to attend. The University has been successful in providing events that allow students to drink in moderation or not drink at all. For example, last week's BU After Dark gave students a fun, non-alcoholic option for the evening. The University should continue to hold events such as this one.

Although the results are encouraging, students taking the exam are not necessarily an accurate sampling of the student population. The Office of the Registrar randomly chose 150 students from each class year, for a total of 600 students. For the 2000 survey, there was a 20.6 percent response rate and a 20.5 response rate for 2002. However, in the 2000 survey, 24.8 percent of the students who responded were active members of social fraternities or sororities. For the 2002 survey, that number was only 18 percent. Although a higher student response rate would have illustrated more accurate results, the response rates of the two years are comparable, resulting in believable numbers.

In the future, the administration should work to get more students to fill out the survey to obtain results that represent the responses of a larger portion of the student body. However, the 2002 results illustrate that the University is succeeding in its quest to decrease alcohol use and abuse on campus. Hopefully the administration and students will continue to work in the right direction and progress even further.

Partisan politics are a necessary evil

By Mike Niebauer
Senior Writer

The precision of the polls has become so effective that it has come to distort the natural flow of national political debate.

Until recently, the bipartisan approach toward the war on terror had many worried that President George W. Bush's 70 percent approval rating would distort dissenting opinion, squelching any open and healthy opposition.

One does not have to be an obviously bitter and now hopeful "Gore '04" supporter to welcome the mere fact the Democratic Party has not died out into irrelevance. The healthy dissent that is now coming out is late, but indeed welcome to many who have problems with the direction and outcome of U.S. policy against Iraq.

Former Vice President Gore's politically forward-looking and widely-reported speech opened up to debate many areas previously unquestioned. Gore asserts that the preemptive nature of the Bush Doctrine, if extended to the rest of the world, destabilizes international rules of law and conduct.

Intensifying the world's political hot spots (from Pakistan and India to Israel and Palestine) should not be the goal of the last great superpower on the planet. And whether Republican or Democrat, this new foreign policy doctrine evokes a sense of perpetual conflict, defying planners and mystifying world financial markets.

Another Democrat, Sen. Joe Biden of Delaware, head of the Foreign Affairs Committee and general supporter of the Bush Doctrine, asked probing long-term procedural questions in hearings this week. He concentrated on the "before and after" of the Iraqi campaign. With or without much cooperation from other nations, how much will it cost in lives and treasure? We can be sure that the Saudis and the Japanese will not be paying for the operation as much as they did during Desert Storm.

Financially speaking, this time it will be essentially a U.S. expenditure. How many ground troops will it take to keep order after it is over, and how long will they be on station in Iraq?

The traditional domestic and regional political rivals would have to be restrained from taking reprisals against those who have traditionally supported Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

The Kurds in the North and the Iranians to the east have scores to settle against the current Iraqi military and political structures. Ironically, we will become the protectors and guarantors of the order of Hussein's followers (and Hussein, if he survives).

Biden said that the United States could be tied to the occupation of Iraq for decades. The United States will have to fully reintegrate the Iraqi oil reserves into the world oil markets. It will be politically difficult in a region so filled with strife, and if Western foreign powers are seen dividing up perceived Arab and Muslim mineral treasure it will not go without violent protest and social upheaval, generating new terrorism.

Biden is looking at implications and logically separating the rhetoric from the plausible outcomes of the Bush Doctrine, wondering if it can not only be sustainable in practice, but also ultimately politically palatable over time.

These issues are not as simple as they have been explained by White House press handlers. These are the fears of many in the military and diplomatic corps. Biden's efforts and that of his committee are not insignificant to this issue.

We must be political adults about politics. To believe that politicians will not use current events for political gain is naive. Both parties do it, and we should be glad they do.

Yes, Gore is calculating during his remarks as much as Vice President Dick Cheney is while he was a guest on Rush Limbaugh's radio program, injecting politics into a mostly partisan audience.

That Bush said Democrats place special interests above homeland security is no different. Bush administration officials bristled against Gore's speech, claiming he is irrelevant.

They are mistaken.

The time for questions is now—before the nation commits soldiers on the ground, not afterward. We owe it to the families of the troops we may lose to question our leaders, and we should be protected from unpatriotic allegations in doing so.

Calculation is part of the political game. But without an open debate with a healthy dissent from any loyal opposition, our system fails. If any doctrine fails to maintain support after debate, it should not be implemented.

To not debate because it will endanger the proposal is intellectually impotent. This path may not be worth the money it will take, or the lives it will cost, regardless of its present political popularity during a congressional election. The heat of the current campaign season will fade, but the consequences of these decisions will endure.

Debate with a wide spectrum of views is not impolite, it is essential in a healthy and vibrant democracy.

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Groups must work for solidarity

By Daniel Morel
Staff Writer

Saturday, Sept. 28 found Washington, D.C. awash with protesters and demonstrators, all voicing their disagreement with International Money Fund and World Bank policies.

Despite the apparent success of these protests, as with previous peaceful gatherings across the globe, they were marred by more anarchistic activities.

While organizations worked to put an orderly face to the thousands of dissenters and last minute snake chains of people, critical masses of bikes clogging intersections, sidewalks and roads led to mass arrests (649 in just one day), unfortunately hampering the spirit of solidarity of the whole weekend.

While unruly protests can easily be blamed on individual agendas, they have inadvertently created divides among themselves, ineffectively each taking on the entire campus individually.

These fractures formed between the "fringe" groups have seldom been the result of personal dislikes or other petty differences. Most often, what has happened has been an inability to see beyond core belief differences. Not all the members of Sirens are vegans, nor do all the Habitat for Humanity volunteers necessarily support the Living Wage Campaign.

In my three years here, inclusion in major events among groups was minimal because, in the eyes of the organizing force, what purpose does it serve to promote your belief system if you are working with someone who doesn't ascribe to it?

It is difficult to analyze problems of the radicals and attribute it to this issue, as it requires reassessing core values and the compromises that can be made for a greater success. These compromises are not implausible, though. In many cases, differing agendas have been combined with hopes that the end will serve everyone's best interests.

Internationally, the coalition system adopted by governments, particularly in Europe, is a perfect example of how groups accept beforehand that they may work with differing viewpoints.

Back home in the United States, the hodgepodge conservative party, better known as the Republicans, provides an umbrella to all sorts of agendas and beliefs.

Brent Scowcroft, who worked under the first President Bush administration and is steadfastly against the possible war on Iraq, and William Buckley, founder of the *National Review* and staunch drug legalization supporter, are two conservatives who comfortably work within the Republican platform without causing too many waves.

While this may seem like nothing more than preaching morality, for those who seek a united front for greater success, fragmentation is a definite detriment.

There are those in the world (and on this campus), who strive for more cohesion, but their efforts will only be rewarded when single agendas are replaced with mass determination.

Opinions

Bucknell "bubble" working too well

By Jeff Day
Writer

University news, local news, current events or international crises. I thought about the war on Iraq as I sat at my desk. I thought about the University's Vision 2010 as I navigated the Internet, and I contemplated about current events as I ate lunch in the cafeteria.

Then it dawned on me; I know almost nothing about any of these topics—not that I am naive or uninterested. Consider a few questions: When was the last time you heard U.S. President George W. Bush speak or read a speech about the status of the United States against Iraq? Do you even know what Vision 2010 is? And for that matter, its current state of affairs? Do you simply know of any national current events worthy of writing about?

For the majority of students on campus, current events are the memories and after thoughts of the previous weekend.

If you answered these questions similarly to the way I did, you too would find yourself struggling to find a topic to pinpoint.

We have all heard of the infamous "bubble" at the University, and I am quickly learning of its true significance. Yes, some students do have a great deal of knowledge about University events, community news and national reports, but these individuals have made a conscious effort to search out information and maintain a certain level of awareness of the outside world.

For the majority of students at the University, current events are the memories and afterthoughts of the previous weekend; community news is the state of affairs at the Beer Barn; University news is seeing who made this week's Public Safety Report.

These are indeed all important activities, but only four weeks into school, I feel as if I were removed from "society" and placed into some self-contained world of studying and partying.

Of course,we are all learning of the relationship between supply and demand, deciphering constellations and relearning history—or at least understanding the true value of home-cooked meals, despite our previous opinions of mom's cooking.

College should be more than simply passing tests and avoiding alcohol citations. We all came to the University to learn and have an absolutely incredible four years — for some of us that entails an understanding of the true meaning of cheap beer.

Yet, accompanying all of these aspects should be a greater understanding of current events, national news and simply the real world. When we leave the University, I hope that we enter a world that we are well prepared for and not one that has been forgotten for the previous four years.

This article is a wake-up call for me, and hopefully to others as well. Yes, I know the Buffalo Bills' record, and, yes, I know what each of my hall mates did over the weekend. In doing so, I realize that I lack any knowledge of important world events. College is fun, college is an education and college will most likely be the best four years of your life. Let's just remember that there's a world around us that hasn't stopped moving simply because we stopped paying attention.

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Complaints seem to lean left

By Aaron Hanlon
Staff Writer

I realize that it's unlike me to be a complainer, but I might as well get in on the act. It seems as though everyone complains about everything these days.

"Hippies" don't want a war, so they complain about it. Minorities are tired of being marginalized, so they complain about it. Homosexuals don't want you to say something is "gay," animal-rights activists don't want you to eat meat and socialists don't want you to keep your own money.

So they all complain about it. And that's fine.

We all have the right to state our grievances. But there seems to be a left-wing trend in the vast majority of complaints that we encounter on campus. In fact, of those who are politically active on campus, these complaints are shouting down at all of us from a titanic, leftist podium.

And while they preach ideals of tolerance, diversity, equality and justice, they simultaneously and hypocritically marginalize and discriminate against an oppressed, politically-active, conservative minority.

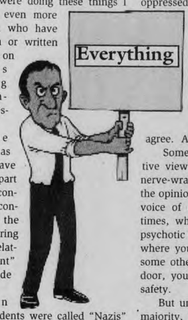
This is my complaint; that many of those who are so absorbed in their crusade for the establishment of Utopia at the University, many of those who fight for the rights of the oppressed and downtrodden, are themselves the oppressors.

When the left finds itself in the majority, it seems to become the embodiment of that which it consistently condemns.

Such an observation is supported by historical and contemporary events. Most obviously, the leftist regimes of Lenin, Stalin, Mao and others were indeed authoritarian and despotic.

And all arose from leftist ideologies that advocated the freedom and empowerment of the oppressed working or peasant classes. Lenin and Stalin's Bolsheviks claimed to represent the international proletariat, and later they represented the working-class constituency by arbitrarily forcing many of them into labor camps.

More recently, and far less severe, are the examples of disgruntled "children of the left" (children I hope, for if faculty were doing these things I would be even more disgusted), who have torn down or written profanities on posters bearing conservative messages.



When several students were called "Nazis" by a leftist, no campus-wide e-mail was sent, even though the incident was reported, and some students were concerned for their safety.

Guest speakers are certainly liberally biased, from the ultra-liberal Toni Morrison to the moderately liberal Janet Reno and Ralph Nader. The Office of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Awareness has its own staff, yet Fellowship of Christian Athletes stores its Bibles and supplies in my living room, and has only enough money to buy Kool-Aid and potato chips.

The consistently oppressed conservatives on campus do not have an office or resource center, despite their minority status.

My complaint has relevance to the daily life of a politically conservative student: sympathizing with some leftist ideology, and drawing on my experiences as a member of the oppressed minority, I realize that it can be difficult when the majority of people believe differently than you do.

Often times, professors who you vaguely suspect (read: undoubtedly know) are leftist-leaning, can be intimidating in discussion when you disagree. After all, they grade us!

Sometimes speaking a conservative viewpoint among peers can be nerve-wracking; nobody wants to be the opinionated jerk who disrupts the voice of the majority. And sometimes, when someone who may be psychotic takes the time to find out where you live and write "Nazi" or some other derogatory slur, on your door, you might even fear for your safety.

But unlike the empowered leftist majority, I am going to stick to my principles and tough it out, without calling on the University or the left to knock off constitutional rights here and there and hand me a "minority crutch."

I have no problem tolerating the anti-war messages everywhere I walk, even though they make my shoes chalky.

As a matter of fact, I should really

Dissenters not making the case

By Tom Elliott
Senior Writer

While America continues to ensure its security through preparation for a possible preemptive strike against a declared hostile force, those who dissent our foreign policy are peddling out increasingly inane excuses for inaction.

They'll speak with great fervor about the sanctity of the freedom to dissent, and its instrumental role in American political discourse. Near no one would challenge this; yet speaking against your country's stated position should be done from a principled, educated position. To do so for reasons of merely creating an intended illusion of popular dissatisfaction will only degenerate the quality of such debate, and therefore possess no meaningful purpose.

From all the dissenting opinion expressed recently, it's quite astonishing that it's been almost entirely worthless. Tossing around the old wartime peace clichés, like "War is not the Answer," "Give Peace a Chance" and "Peace at all Costs" only detracts from the ability for the dissenters to provide an articulate reasoning for why exactly the United States should not engage this enemy.

We already know who is on board: the Bush administration, the vast majority of the American public, a near entirety of the congressional Republicans, the majority of the congressional Democrats, the United Kingdom (including both the Labor and Conservative parties), Israel and a plethora of other countries (Arab included) pending some sort of U.N. resolution.

So then, you ask, who exactly is against liberating Iraq? Most notably, former Vice President Al Gore, Barbra Streisand and some other lefties who are confusing this with the Vietnam War. Ted Kennedy, who was "unimpressed" with the argument Bush has made, is playing it like Daschle—admitting Iraqui President Saddam Hussein is evil, but failing to go the next step and demand regime change.

Gore first. His comments were probably the dumbest of all, even embarrassing the *New Republic*—a publication that continually supports Gore & Co. Gore's speech to the San Francisco Commonwealth Club essentially said that America is now more dangerous than the terrorists. The most astounding thing about his speech was its incredible irony.

Gore broke with party ranks to vote for war with Iraq in 1991, a vote that passed very narrowly. In 2000, Gore told the BBC that he had "told Iraqi opposition politicians that the United States remains committed to the overthrow of President Saddam Hussein." Even more recently, Gore gave a speech earlier this year to the Council on Foreign Relations on the necessity of a "final reckoning" with Iraq. He even described the country as a "virulent threat in a class by itself" and suggested that the United States consider ways to oust Hussein.

Now Streisand. In a fax that she sent to Rep. Dick Gephardt, D-Mo., she explains why the Democrats should "go oh the offensive" over Iraq. In part it reads, "How can we ignore the obvious influence on the Bush administration of such special interests as the oil industry, the chemical companies, the logging industry, the defense contractors, the mining industry and the automobile industry, just to name a few?" All of which she claims will gain from a war with Iraq. Don't we all know it—as soon as we start dropping bombs, Cadillac sales will go through the roof, and the logging industry will naturally flourish. Um, what?

Even more recently, Babs gave a speech at a Democratic fundraiser in which she quoted Shakespeare to add to her case as to why war with Iraq was not in America's interests. A short while later, it was brought to her attention that Shakespeare had not written the text she had cited. She maintained that the content was still true, and whoever did write it, should write a play. After reading the "Shakespeare" she had quoted, I can assure you that Streisand is no academic; it didn't sound at all Shakespearean—it wasn't even in iambic pentameter.

Reps. David Bonior, D-Mich., and Jim McDermott, D-Wash., traveled all the way to Baghdad to deliver a Jane "Hanoi" Fonda type message to America. They were interviewed on just about every Sunday morning news show to deliver their dissent. Among other strange things said, they accused the president of lying about the Iraqi threat and called on the administration to "let the U.N. inspectors do their job" and "take the Iraqis on their face value." It is sort of difficult to let the inspectors "do their job" when Hussein won't let them. And why should we now disregard the lies that have perpetually emanated from the Iraqi government, so we can "take them at face value." Gimme a break.

Sure, we all want to "Seek Peace Above all Else," but in an intelligent manner. Allowing our enemies to prepare for our annihilation isn't the most brilliant way to ensure peace. Saddam has connections with terrorist groups that have demonstrated their ability to strike us. He has evidenced a willingness to provide them with both arms and financial rewards. He possesses weapons of mass destruction, which surely he wouldn't mind supplying, either. So next time some peacenik-protester says something about "No War," ask them if they want another Sept. 11.

World's first HIV positive Muppet makes appearance

By Elisabeth Salemme
Staff Writer

Kami, the world's first HIV-positive Muppet, made its debut on Africa's version of "Sesame Street" on Monday in an attempt to strengthen the AIDS awareness campaign as well as to promote acceptance for people infected with HIV. The notion of presenting pre-school-age children with such a serious topic as AIDS is ridiculous.

While AIDS awareness is important, especially in Africa where the disease is so prevalent, children who have not even begun school yet do not need to be as aware about AIDS as adults, who are more likely to contract the disease through their lifestyles.

Television characters that promote acceptance and understanding are a good idea, especially in countries where these ideals are not always practiced. However, the creation of a Muppet that is infected with HIV is only a political move and will not provide children with the sentiments of tolerance as the show's producers claim it will.

We do not see characters on children's television that are infected with cancer or other terminal illnesses. It is too traumatic for children, who are at such a vulnerable age, to be presented with such depressing topics.

In addition, while Kami's claimed purpose is to promote acceptance, the fact is, Kami shows children who have AIDS they are indeed different and, therefore, they can not feel normal even as they watch television.

While AIDS awareness is important, especially in Africa where the disease is so prevalent, children who have not even begun school yet do not need to be as aware about AIDS as adults, who are more likely to contract the disease through their lifestyles. Children who may have been born HIV-positive do not need the constant reminder that they were essentially born with a death sentence.

Television programs for children should not have such emotionally-triggering themes, but should be amusing and entertaining, as this may be the only escape some children have from their own depressing reality.

Kami is not the first of her kind to bring up such inappropriate issues for young children. The Israeli and Palestinian version of "Sesame Street" presents children with Dafi and Haneen, a Jewish and an Arab girl who are friends. Every day, children in Israel and Palestine are affected by the severe conflict that is taking place where they live. Again, they are too young to have the constant reminder of this reality.

On the other hand, according to *Time Africa* magazine, other countries have introduced characters to Sesame Street that will certainly be beneficial for young children, such as Canada's "Katie," a wheelchair zooming schoolgirl who encourages positive attitudes toward physical disabilities, China's "Xiao Mei Zi," a preschool girl who encourages girl-power and self-esteem and Egypt's "Khoka," a knowledge-hungry female monster who coaxes girls to go to school and excel there. These themes are age-appropriate and serve the purpose of promoting acceptance as well as encouragement to excel.

The producers of the African version of "Sesame Street" need to reconsider the potentially harmful effect the character of Kami may have on children's psyches. It is not fair to begin with that such a great number of African children are born with AIDS. It is wrong to take away their happiness with a reminder of this reality every day.

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Picture with Bucky the Bison-Support Habitat for Humanity
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(The Berelson Center for Jewish Life)
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(Tustin Basement)
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(Harvey Powers Theater)
8 p.m.

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9 p.m.

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10:30 a.m. to **12 p.m.**

"We Brake For Nobody"
(Harvey Powers Theater)
4:30 p.m.

Catholic Mass
(Rooke Chapel)
5:30 p.m.

Fall Parents Weekend Luau
(Bostwick Dining Room)
5:30 p.m. to **8 p.m.**

The Bobs Concert
(Weis Center)
8 p.m.

Christy's Candlelight Entertainment
(Rooke chapel)
9 p.m.

Parent-Student Karaoke Contest
(Uptown)
10 p.m.

English Department
(Smith Library, Vaughan Literature Building)
10 a.m. to **11 a.m.**

German Program
(Vaughan Literature 201)
10 a.m. to **11 a.m.**

Physics Department
(Olin Science 264)
10 a.m. to **11 a.m.**

Bucknell in Northern Ireland
(Colman 251)
10 a.m. to **11 a.m.**

Education Department
(Olin Science 465)
10 a.m. to **12 p.m.**

East Asian Studies
(Marts Hall 12)
10 a.m. to **12 p.m.**

Mathematics Department
(Olin Science 382 & 383)
10 a.m. to **12 p.m.**

Bucknell En France
(LC 240)
10:30 a.m. to **12 p.m.**

Army ROTC
(Spratt House- across from Smith Hall)
11 a.m. to **1 p.m.**

Craft Center
(Craft Center)
11 a.m. to **7 p.m.**

The Chaplain's House
(628 St. George St.)
4 p.m. to **6 p.m.**

The Berelson Center for Jewish Life
(623 St. George St.)
4 p.m. to **6 p.m.**

Bucknell Observatory
(Observatory)
8 p.m. to **11 p.m.**

Sunday SUN October 6

Pancake Brunch
(Larison Dining Hall)
8 a.m. to **2 p.m.**

Kickoff of Bucknell Ring
(Bookstore)
9 a.m. to **12 p.m.**

Hillel Brunch
(The Berelson Center for Jewish Life)
10 a.m. to **12 p.m.**

Catholic Mass
(Bucknell Hall)
10 a.m.

Interdenominational Worship Service
(Rooke Chapel)
11 a.m.

Fahlstrom Exhibit
(Samek Art Gallery)
1 p.m. to **4 p.m.**

Catholic Mass
(Rooke Chapel)
4 p.m.

Picture with Bucky the Bison-Support Habitat for Humanity
(Outside Marts Hall)
3 p.m. to **5 p.m.**

BUG Meeting
(LC Forum)
5 p.m.

Catholic Mass
(Larison Dining Hall)
10 p.m.

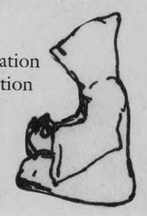
Friends Meeting
(Smith Library)
10:30 p.m.

Monday MON October 7

Bertrand Library Exhibit; "The Green Hats"
(Bertrand Library)
Library Hours

Christians in Action
(LC 217)
8 a.m to **9 a.m.**

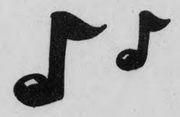
Zen Meditation
(Meditation Chapel)
4 p.m.



French Club
(LC 304)
8 p.m. to **9 p.m.**

Class of 1956 Lecture; "Order, Randomness & Chaos: a History of Prediction" -Tom Sobmon
(LC Forum)
8 p.m.

Voices of Praise
(Smith 100)
5 p.m. to **7 p.m.**



Turkish Coffee Night
(Taylor 115)
8 p.m. to **10 p.m.**

Tuesday TUE October 8

IRS workshop: "What's New In Blackboard"
FACULTY ONLY
(Multimedia Lab/ Rooke 9)
12 p.m. to **4 p.m.**

CDC Information Session
(LC 217)
12 p.m. to **1 p.m.**
5 p.m. to **6:30 p.m.**

CDC Jumpstart
(LC 217)
4 p.m. to **5 p.m.**

"Bush Doctrine & the Iraqi Crisis"- Gideon Rose
(Vaughan Lit. Auditorium)
10:30 p.m.

Wednesday WED October 9

Christians in Action
(McDonnell Hall)
6:30 a.m. to **7:30 a.m.**

IRS Workshop: "Scanning"
(Bio 12)
2 p.m.

"Asymetric Synthesis of Indiavir Sulfate, a Potent HIV Protease Inhibitor"
(Rooke Chemistry Lab.)
7 p.m.

CDC Jumpstart
(Bio 221)
5 p.m. to **6 p.m.**

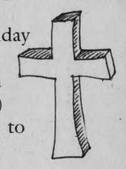
"Panic Room"
(Vaughan Lit. Auditorium)
10:30 p.m.

Thursday THU October 10

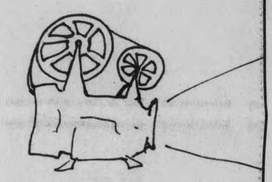
CDC Jumpstart
(Vaughan Lit. 202)
5 p.m. to **6 p.m.**

French Department Lecture: "Invitation Au Voyage" -Guy Teissier
(Bucknell Hall)
5 p.m.

Fourth Sunday Choir
(Meditation Chapel)
5:30 p.m. to **7 p.m.**



LGBT Film Series; "Coming Home"- Ashley Crow
(LC Forum)
7:30 p.m.



Social Science Colloquium Series: "Trama Theory; Its Critics & Its Vicissitudes" - Dominick LaCapra
(Smith Library, Vaughan Lit.)
7:30 p.m.

"The Well" Worship Service
(LC 213)
8:30 p.m. to **11 p.m.**

Information on *The Bucknellian Calendar*

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BUSINESS & POLITICS

Reagan administration bears responsibility for U.S. hostility towards Iraq

By Michael Dudzinski
Staff Writer

The bio-weapons that U.S. President George W. Bush claims are currently a threat to the United States were supplied to Iraq during the early years of the Reagan administration. The Associated Press confirms that past government records reveal that former President Ronald Reagan and former Vice President George H. W. Bush are responsible for supplying Iraq with bio-weapons during the early 1980s.

This is not the only blunder of the Reagan/Bush administration that has backfired. The source of the conflict that existed in Afghanistan is blatantly attributed to the Taliban, which, until recently, governed much of the country. It is often ignored that former Vice President Bush covertly supported and supplied the Taliban with weaponry in the mid-1980s, in order to prevent the Soviet Union from controlling the oil-rich territory.

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What these facts convey is that the roots of the war on terror can be traced to the Reagan era of the 1980s. The Taliban and Iraq were supported and funded by the United States, which wanted to safeguard its oil interests in the Middle East.

After it became clear that the United States was only interested in oil investments and used both regimes to achieve its goals, the Taliban and Iraq soon changed from friend to foe.

The Associated Press said that the Center for Disease Control sent strains of anthrax, the West Nile Virus and smallpox to Iraq during the early 1980s. Although the Commerce Department legitimized the export of biological weaponry to Iraq, the Bush administration has failed to claim responsibility for supplying Iraq with the very weapons it seeks to destroy. Sen. Robert Byrd, D-Va., demands answers from the current Bush administration on the correlation between the Iraqi agenda and past U.S. endeavors.

In 1983, Reagan sent Donald Rumsfeld to Iraq as a special envoy. *Newsweek* said that Rumsfeld met Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to supply him with biological weapons and economic aid in support of the Iran-Iraq war. The Reagan administration feared that the Iranian revolutionaries would seek control of oil reserves in the Middle East. For the next five years, the United States clandestinely backed Hussein in order to protect the oil interests of the elite.

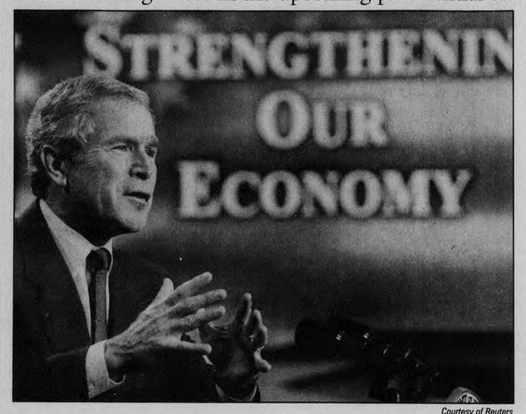
Even more disappointing was Bush's attempt to cover up many of Hussein's criminal activities in order to ensure his chance for reelection in 1992. According to *Newsweek*, top Defense Department officials claim that documents containing such information about Hussein were kept confidential until after the war ended. The former Bush administration feared that if certain criminal activities of Hussein were released, the public would condemn the president for failing to oust the Iraqi leader. The records were kept confidential to give Bush an edge in the upcoming election.

Byrd said that the main concern stemming from the disclosed information on United States-Iraq relations is that certain Reagan/Bush loyalists may have instigated the very conflict that exists today. The information exposes the likelihood that the war on terror may not be as modest as the current Bush administration claims. Such a revelation suggests that the atrocities plaguing our nation could have been avoided in the first place. Many scholars have expressed alarm that the administration's present agenda suddenly seems all too coincidental.

Despite its acknowledgement of Hussein as a menacing despot, evidence reveals that the United States still sought to continually appease the dictator to safeguard oil interests in our nation. What this means is that the Reagan/Bush administration had put their own special interests ahead of its primary responsibility to protect the American people. So who should be brought to justice? One might take a look within the U.S. government instead of holding the leaders of other nations responsible.

Economic concerns may not affect upcoming elections

The future of the economy may look bleak, but national security may replace it as the deciding factor in the upcoming presidential elections



Courtesy of Reuters

Bush speaks about economic security in Iowa. The Bush administration has been criticized for downplaying the current economic slowdown in order to focus on the war in Iraq.

By Jim Leahy
Senior Writer

America's economy is suffering as corporate scandals, post-bubble and post-Sept. 11 business slowdowns, poor earnings numbers and a possibly devastating shutdown of West Coast ports continue to rattle consumer confidence. The stock markets have responded with weakness—except for a few strong days—and money is remaining out of stocks.

Despite this, Republicans have successfully kept Iraq at the center of reelection campaigns. The election season next month will certainly be volatile and it remains to be seen how economic issues will actually affect the races and outcomes on Election Day.

The signs of sluggishness in the American economy are many. Data flowing from all sources that investors look to for hope continues to be weak. Just this week, reports including the Chicago Purchasing Managers Index, personal income, Redbook Retail Average, Purchasing Managers Index, construction spending and the consumer comfort index were released. Initial jobless claims, factory orders and the unemployment rate will all be announced later in the week.

This week's numbers are not that good. Manufacturing activity in September fell, according to the Institute for Supply Management. According to *The Wall Street Journal*, this decline "reinforced fears of a double-dip recession. But since the decline wasn't as sharp as some investors had feared, that bad news was interpreted by some as a positive."

Personal spending was also down and below estimates, as was the Chicago Purchasing Managers Index. Numbers coming at the end of the week are expected to show further weakness—including the unemployment rate, which could rise to almost 6 percent.

News is adding to other jitters on Wall Street. On the West Coast, port operators at 29 ports have locked employees out after a dispute with their unions. "The Pacific Maritime Association locked some 10,500 union workers out of the docks Sunday after accusing them of staging widespread work slowdowns," said *The New York Times*. The cost to the economy is about $1 billion a day and U.S. President George W. Bush said, "We're worried about it."

Earnings reports are not helping either. Retail companies are hurting with the decline in back-to-school spending, some financial companies are hurting with the decline in trading revenues and the loss of IPO deals and Wal-Mart is warning that its sales are down. It is not all bad, so some investors are showing their resolve and keeping money in the market.

All of this might be the reason for Tuesday's massive market run-up. Markets have finished off one of the worst Septembers in history and stock prices are relatively low. On Tuesday, all the members of the Dow Jones Industrial Average rose and helped the market to a 300-plus point gain. Most commentators do not expect this rise to continue and are writing it off as short-term.

The tea leaves for the markets continue to be very hazy. Many investors continue to sit on the sidelines waiting for concrete signs that the economy is not declining again or that stocks will begin to rise. The Federal Reserve Bank has lowered interest rates so many times that most feel rates will not go any lower. This takes some ammunition away from the bank and may make a recovery harder.

As the midterm elections approach, candidates are beginning to solidify their running platforms for the final weeks of the campaign. Democrats are finding that Iraq and the creation of a Department of Homeland Security are taking center stage while the economy has been a secondary issue. The Republicans have been riding the talk of war into the elections and are still unsure how their strategy will play out.

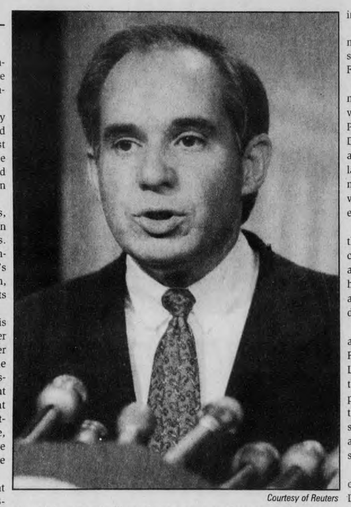
The Washington Post said that "the debate over Iraq has created a fragmented environment politically, and it is not clear whether that will change between now and Nov. 5. Were it not for the emergence of possible war with Iraq and renewed focus on the next phase in the war against terrorism, this midterm election might be shaping up as more typical of others in the past, with Democrats exploiting economic anxieties to their advantage against the president's party in Congress."

The Democrats' desire to focus on the economy shows in recent poll numbers. According to a *Washington Post*-ABC News poll, Democrats are better positioned on the economy, Social Security, education and health care. Taxes and the federal budget have the two parties at a tie. With the president controlling the spotlight, economic issues will likely remain off the stage.

American voters always take economic issues seriously. The U.S. economy is struggling right now as we head into midterm elections and campaigns will likely be pushing fixes for it. War talk and homeland security issues have taken over and may influence the outcome of the elections more than the poor economy will.

Amid controversy, New Jersey Sen. Torricelli withdrawals bid for reelection

By Michelle Johnson
Writer



Courtesy of Reuters

Sen. Robert Torricelli speaks at a press conference. Following several corruption allegations and poor results in public opinion polls, Torricelli has withdrawn his bid for reelection.

Sen. Robert Torricelli, D-N.J., withdrew his bid for reelection on Monday, due to an ethical scandal involving illegal campaign contributions.

Though an investigation conducted by the U.S. Attorney's Office in January ended with no official charges filed against Torricelli, a report issued by the Senate Ethics Committee in mid-July reprimanded him for taking gifts from businessman David Chang on at least three occasions.

According to the Associated Press, Chang says that these gifts included an $8,100 Rolex watch and Italian suits. Chang is currently in jail for illegally contributing roughly $53,000 to Torricelli's 1996 campaign. He claims that in return, Torricelli lobbied for his business interests in the United States and South Korea.

The Philadelphia Inquirer said that this decision was made by Torricelli and other members of the Democratic Party after public opinion polls released during the past week revealed that Torricelli was losing by a 2 to 1 ratio, regarding independent voters, to his Republican opponent Douglas Forrester. This voting block is critical in determining the winner of this race, which is pivotal for the maintenance of the Democrats' one-seat majority in the Senate.

Torricelli also dropped from a 14-point advantage over Forrester in June to a 13-point deficit in another poll released during the weekend.

"I will not be responsible for the loss of the Democratic majority in the United States Senate," Torricelli said during an emotional news conference held after the decision to withdraw had been made, according to *The New York Times*.

Torricelli's decision to drop out of the race for the good of the party has raised many objections. Sept. 16 was the official deadline to change the ballot in New Jersey. Now, with only five weeks to go until the election, Republicans are heatedly accusing Democrats of violating election laws.

"The laws of the state of New Jersey do not contain a 'we-think-we're-going-to-lose-so-we-get-to-pick-someone-new' clause," Forrester said in a *New York Times* article.

Though this particular situation has never occurred before in New Jersey, there was an extension granted to the Republican Party two years ago when Governor Donald DiFrancesco had to quit the GOP primary after his own ethical controversy. The legislature, which was composed of a Republican majority, postponed the primary for three weeks to give his replacement, Bob Franks, enough time to campaign.

There is also a clause in New Jersey law that gives a party permission to replace a candidate if he leaves office within 30 days of an election. This indicates that Torricelli may have to resign from his current office to avoid the consequences of allowing the deadline for ballot changes to pass.

On Tuesday Democratic leaders announced that former New Jersey Sen. Frank Lautenberg was to replace Torricelli. Lautenberg, who is 78, has served three terms in the state senate already, which the party feels is likely to give him credibility in the public eye. The fact that Lautenberg has statewide name recognition is also a key asset since it is so late in the campaigning season.

As if this wasn't enough for Forrester to contend with, New Jersey has voted for the Democrats in the past seven elections, giving many of Torricelli's colleagues confidence that they still have a shot at winning on Nov. 5.

The party was attempting to remove the final obstacle in officially replacing Torricelli on Wednesday by asking the State Supreme Court to grant a waiver to the Sept. 16 deadline.

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ball, but because of his tight schedule he could not attend the game.

Rendell was in the area because he had already visited 66 out of the 67 counties in Pennsylvania. He proudly said that Union County was the 67th. After his meeting with the Union County Democrats, he was going to Bloomsburg to meet with students, attend a fundraiser and visit the Bloomsburg Fair.

Rendell worked the crowd quickly, pausing momentarily to chat with friends. They discussed past family vacations and briefly planned for future ones. When he met strangers, he gave a big smile and said, "How are you doing today!"

Ed Rendell is running for governor in a tight race against Republican Mike Fisher.

Rendell served as the 121st mayor of Philadelphia from 1992-1999. His biography notes that "among his many accomplishments as mayor, he eliminated a $250 million deficit; balanced the city's budget and generated five straight budget surpluses; reduced business and income taxes for four consecutive years; implemented new revenue-generating initiatives and dramatically improved services to the city's neighborhoods."

Former Vice President Al Gore has referred to him as "America's Mayor."

Rendell has many opinions on what is best for the state. He promises to try to increase the state's share of public education costs above the present 35 percent level, possibly as high as 50 percent. He wants to increase economic development by creating a series of "new revolving loans and grant programs," which would help rebuild Pennsylvania's smaller cities.

Rendell also supports abortion rights, while advocating the adoption of unwanted children and programs to encourage abstinence. He supports the death penalty, but would make DNA testing available to defendants in capital cases. He also wants to establish a panel to review the experience of defense attorneys in such cases.

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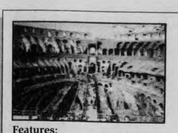

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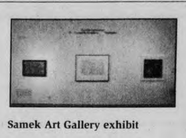

Samek Art Gallery exhibit

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Bison maintain their home unbeaten streak

With a recent 0-0 tie against Philadelphia University, the men's soccer team has gone five games without losing a game

By Tara Utchel
Senior Writer

The men's soccer team managed to squeak out a 2-0 win over Monmouth and a 0-0 tie with Philadelphia University this past week. The Orange and Blue have gone five games without a loss—their longest unbeaten streak of the season.

The Bison dueled visiting Monmouth University on Sunday, Sept. 29. They came out on top, a victory that goes in the history books as the program's best start since the 1974 season.

"I feel that we are starting to gel as a team and we are beginning to really read each other's tendencies. The freshmen are doing a great job of coming in and getting the job done," Jon Hemmert '05 said. "We really have several threats that we can look to go to, and I feel that has been a big part of our success."

Lewisburg got caught in the aftermath of hurricane Isadore last Friday and Saturday night, so the game field fell victim to the 48-hour downpour. The right corner of the field suffered from a 20-by-20 soggy patch. Coaches and players were wary of the conditions and feared that it would interfere with the pace of the game.

"We wanted to play into the mud for the first half, letting Monmouth play into the second half, after it got worse. However, it did not get much worse and really was a non-factor," Head Coach Brendan Nash said

Even though the field conditions were not a factor, the men's performance lacked intensity throughout the first half. For most of the season, the Bison have started the game more sluggish than normal. The team usually comes alive in the second half, showing its opponents how to put the ball in the back of the net.

"The first half we did not dictate the pace of the game like we wanted to. The second half we came out with more energy and it showed with two quick goals," Nash said. "From there we just finished the game and got the shutout."

The Bison exploded into the second half, wasting no time getting on the board. Dennis Deluca '05 passed the ball away from pressure to an open Hemmert. Hemmert crossed the ball to Nick Taylor '03, who headed the ball into the left corner of the goal, just 3 minutes, 26 seconds into the half.

Over three minutes later, Hemmert earned his team-leading eighth assist of the season. He crossed the ball to Scott Visnic '06, who was waiting in front of the goal. Visnic mirrored the first goal of the game by heading the ball into the net to finalize the score at 2-0.

"Jon is so tough to defend. He had two assists, but also set up quite a few other chances. He is so accurate on restarts we feel we can score anytime we have a restart in the offensive third," Nash said.

"Getting assists is such a team effort, it involves an entire buildup, and most importantly a finish from the goal scorer," Hemmert said. "I have been fortunate enough to have all of those things falling in place and have been able to pick up a few assists. With strong defense and solid play in the midfield, a goal here or there should get us the win."

Despite the strong defense and solid play in the midfield, the Bison failed to get a goal on Tuesday, Oct. 1 against visiting Philadelphia University. The Orange and Blue's defense did manage to fend off the Rams' attack for a 0-0 tie.

Bucknell dominated the entire game, but could not convert any of their 24 shots. It was just one of those days, when nothing was working for the team.

"The game against Philadelphia was pure frustration. Our inability to execute chances, coupled with many poor services, kept us from finding the net," Hemmert said. "It was just one of those games that you know you will regret later in the season. We will look back on this one as a game we should have won."

For the past two games, the Bison have been playing without key defender, Alex Far '05. Far suffers from severe ankle

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Matt Vanaskie—The Bucknellian

In their victory over Philadelphia, Otto Tancraitor '05 helped control the tempo of the game.

Stage set for Colgate game

By Cory Nadler
Senior Writer

The Bucknell football team improved its record to 2-2 with a 27-13 win over Delaware State (DSU) on Saturday behind three touchdown passes by quarterback Todd Wenrich '03.

Delaware State dug a hole for itself early, committing four penalties on its first drive of the game. On the same drive, Anthony Lewis '05 came off the edge to block the DSU punt, which was recovered by the Bison at the DSU 40-yard line.

Five plays later, Wenrich threw a jump ball into the end zone that Jim Horan '03 went up and hauled in from 10 yards out. Wenrich's first touchdown pass gave the Bison a 7-0 lead with 9 minutes, 57 seconds remaining in the first quarter.

"Bucknell was able to capitalize on our mistakes," DSU defensive back Khary Darlington said.

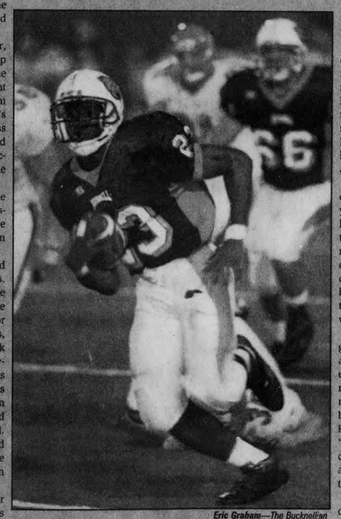
The Bison continued to force DSU mistakes. On the next drive, the Hornets tried a fake punt, but were called for an illegal forward pass, which gave the ball back to the Bison. After moving the ball only 20 yards on seven plays, Chris Lundberg '03 came on the field to try a 41-yard field goal into the wind. The ball barely cleared the crossbar to give the Bison a 10-0 lead late in the first quarter.

Defense took over the game for both sides for the remainder of the first half. The Hornets looked as though they were poised to move in for a score following a Bucknell fumble on the Bucknell 39-yard line. The Bison defense held inside the red zone. Stephane Pluviose '04 forced and recovered a fumble on the BU 18-yard line to stop the DSU threat.

The Bucknell defense continued its great play in the second half. On the first drive of the half, Lewis intercepted a DSU pass on the Bison 17-yard line. The Bison were not able to capitalize on the turnover, and had to punt the ball away. Lewis earned player of the game honors, finishing the day with seven tackles, the interception and the blocked punt.

On the ensuing drive, DSU marched 58 yards on six plays to make the score 10-7 in favor of the Bison. The scoring drive was capped off by a 33-yard touchdown pass for the Hornets.

On the next drive, the Bison faced a fourth down and one yard to go at midfield. The snap for the punt went directly to Mike Leatherman '04, who ran the ball 42 yards to the DSU 8-yard line. The Bison ran a play action pass from Wenrich to Ken Lockard '03 for the 8-yard touchdown. Lockard's first career touchdown gave the Bison a 17-7 lead with 7:00 remaining in the third quarter.



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Runningback Blamah Sarnor '06 carried the ball 20 times for 79 yards in the game over Delaware State.

"The fake punt was something we had worked on," Assistant Coach Dave Kotulski said. "At that point, we needed something. It helped change the momentum, and then our offense took control of the game."

The momentum did not completely swing Bucknell's way quite yet. On the kickoff following the second Bison touchdown of the afternoon, the Hornets' DaShaun Morris ran the ball back 92 yards, up the middle of the field, for a touchdown. After DSU missed the extra point attempt, the Bison led 17-13 with 6:44 remaining in the quarter.

To begin the fourth quarter, the Bucknell offense chewed up five minutes off the clock with a 13-play, 89-yard drive. The drive was capped off by a 29 yard touchdown pass from Wenrich to a wide open Albert Marquardt '04, to make the score 24-13 in favor of the Bison.

On their next drive, the Bison marched 60 yards on nine plays. Lundberg knocked in a 37-yard field goal to push the score to 27-13 Bison. Bucknell's defense held on to the lead for a final score of 27-13.

The Bison almost doubled the total yards of the Hornets, keeping DSU to 216 total yards, while racking up 394 yards of offense. The defense continues to be a strong point for the Bison week in and week out.

"Every week we get used to each other a little more, and trust each other a little more and just do the normal things," linebacker Kevin Ransome '05 said. "We were able to change up the coverages and confuse them."

While the defense continues to play well, the Bison offense has been improving from week to week.

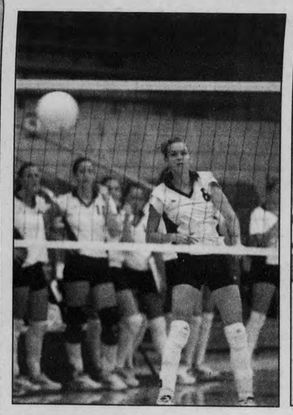
"We have been struggling with being consistent, but the offensive line is coming around and everything is flowing," Wenrich said.

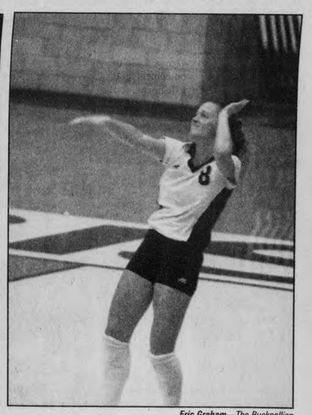
"The offense did a marvelous job, especially in the second half," Kotulski said.

The Bison open their Patriot League season when they host Colgate on Saturday at Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium.

"Colgate is a game you always look forward to playing," Kotulski said.

Volleyball gains first Patriot League victory over Lafayette





Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Bucknell relied on a number of players, including Jennifer Wrigley '02 (right) and Chelsea Robertson '05 (left) to win against Lafayette. This week, the team got their first Patriot League victory of the season.

By Brent Butler
Sports Editor

This week marked the Bucknell women's volleyball team's first Patriot League victory of the season. The Bison now stand at an impressive 7-7 overall record and have returned to the .500 mark in the Patriot League with a 1-1 record.

Bucknell defeated Lafayette in three consecutive games on Saturday, Sept. 29. In the first game of the evening, the Bison won in a 30-24 victory. During the second game, the Orange and Blue defeated the Leopards 30-22. In the final game of the night, Bucknell pulled out an impressive 30-21 win.

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"The team worked well together," Head Coach Cindy Opalski said. "We were upset about our loss on Wednesday against Lehigh, and picked up our intensity. We worked in practice the past few days and were able to execute very well against Lafayette."

"Beating Lafayette was definately a confidence booster," Melanie Ghiz '03 said.

Bucknell relied on a number of players to lead the team to victory. Ghiz and Brandi Trapasso '04 led the team with 10 kills each, and Brandi Trapasso added another 14 digs to help the Bison effort. Breean Trapasso '04 finished the game with a team-leading 23 assists in the victory.

"We went into the Lafayette game with a great attitude," Brandi Trapasso said. "A lot of freshman stepped up and played well in the game, and that made us more unified as a team. Most teams normally have six or seven girls playing well and the rest backing them up, but we had all 14 girls playing well against Lafayette."

Last week Bucknell was defeated by Lehigh in their first Patriot League match. It was a disappointing loss, but the women took it in stride and came back to win their next game against Lafayette.

"The loss to Lehigh was very frustrating because I know how well we can play, and that night we just didn't play to our potential. I do look forward to playing them again in our gym," Ghiz said.

"We were going into the Lehigh game really excited, but we didn't really step up and play well," Brandi Trapasso said. "We didn't come together as a team. It was disappointing, but we have taken that loss and it has made us better as a team. We are going to keep getting better and become more competitive with each game."

Bucknell will face Patriot League rivals American University, on Friday, Oct. 4, and will face Navy, on Saturday, Oct. 5, in Davis Gymnasium.

"American is a very competitive team, and they are really good every year," Brandi Trapasso said. "Coach has really been working us, and we have been practicing harder than ever before. Because of all our practice I think we are prepared for the game against American. That game will give us momentum into the Navy game and will help set the pace for the next couple of games. We are going to take it one match at a time, but we are really going to step it up this weekend."

"I think that our team has great potential for the following Patriot League games. We have great defense and I think we will really need it in some of the big games coming up." Ghiz said.

Sports

Injured University student gives back to local community

Sometimes a twisted ankle can lead to lollipops and rewarding coaching

By Brian Klotz
Senior Writer

Courtesy of Athletic Communications

Caralyn Desautels '03 spends her time as an assistant coach to the Lewisburg High School women's soccer team.

Bucknell students get some exposure to Lewisburg High School sports through Friday night football games held in Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium. But take a short drive to the high school to watch a Lewisburg High women's soccer game, and on the sidelines you will find a Bucknell senior helping to run the show. Lollipop in mouth, there is Caralyn Desautels '03, one of the team's assistant coaches.

The story behind Desautels ending up coaching at Lewisburg is one of frustration, disappointment and the desire to give back. Heavily recruited in high school by the University Head Soccer Coach Chrissy Findlay, in high school, Desautels was a coach's dream player. She had been playing soccer from the time she was 4 years old all the way through elementary, middle and high school. She was a 13-letter varsity athlete in soccer, track and basketball. She also held practically every soccer accomplishment there was, including playing for the Select Team of New York and traveling overseas to Europe to compete in the World Scholar-Athlete Games with 2000 athletes from 150 countries.

Attracted to the University because "it was a nice size and a good fit geographically and academically," in addition to its soccer program, Caralyn fit right in. It was in the second semester of her first year that events were put into motion that she would find to change her soccer career forever.

"I was first injured when I rolled my ankle," Desautels said. "I'm not exactly sure how I did it."

Whatever the cause, she came back for preseason practice in the fall of her sophomore year to find she had a constant pain in her ankle.

"I went to the doctor and I was told I needed surgery," Desautels said. "The ligaments and tendons in my ankle were torn and dislocated, so I went in locally to have it done."

Unfortunately, the first surgery was unsuccessful at fixing her injury, and she continued to have a lot of pain. Desautels had two more surgeries on her ankle, one in her hometown of Buffalo, N.Y., and another in Baltimore, Md., in May of this year, performed by the top ankle surgeon in the country, until everything was fixed.

"This is literally the first time in two years that I can walk without pain," Desautels said.

While all this was going on, Desautels gradually accepted the fact that, due to her health, she would never play soccer competitively again—every athlete's nightmare.

"Throughout her sophomore year, it was a waiting game with all the surgeries and rehab," Findlay said. "We had her doing stats, but it's not the same as sitting on the bench with the team. Soccer is such a big part of her life and always has been, and I think that when you take something as important as that away, it's really hard."

To keep involved on campus, Desautels joined Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority and continued to work hard in her double major of Spanish and economics, but there was still that nagging feeling.

"I think it took me seven months to come to the fact that I'd never be able to play again," Desautels said. "You have to tell yourself when you wake up in the morning wanting to do one thing, that you can't do it. When I finally got over it, I thought the only way I could stay involved was through coaching, and that's when Chrissy talked to the coach at Lewisburg."

Coaching is not new to Desautels. One of her many involvements in soccer is a camp run by the MLS which she attended when she was 15, and that she was later asked to come back and coach. The camp runs anywhere from 4-9 weeks over the summer and travels all over the country. In addition, she has helped to run some camps at her old high school, Nichols School.

Her coaching experience is one of the things that interested Lewisburg High School Head Women's Soccer Coach Mark Nebiker.

"I first met Caralyn in May of this year through Chrissy Findlay," Nebiker said. "I've been talking to Chrissy to see if she knew anyone who might be interested in helping out, and she gave me Caralyn's name. Caralyn and I e-mailed back and forth, and when I met her, I found that she knew the game very well and that she coached over the summer for the MLS."

> *"She's confident in what she's doing, gets her point across well and doesn't take any garbage from the kids."*
> *—Lewisburg High School Head Women's Soccer Coach* ***Mark Nebiker***

Nebiker gave her an assistant coaching position, and her duties include running the Junior Varsity program. Aside from working on more fundamentals and conditioning, one of the best things that Nebiker has found about having Desautels as a coach is that she connects with the girls and can identify with them.

"I like the way she's confident in what she's doing, gets her point across well and doesn't take any garbage from the kids," Nebiker said.

One unique thing that has popped up while coaching has been a box of lollipops on the bench.

"As a player, I knew I was on the opposite end as the referees and as a coach I didn't want to do that," Desautels said. "So whenever I want to get mad and yell at the referees, I put a lollipop in my mouth so I can't talk."

"She's not afraid to speak up," Nebiker said. "The second day of the season, she was warned by one of the refs, so one of the girls said, 'You need a Dum-Dum, Coach!' She's had a lollipop in her mouth every game since."

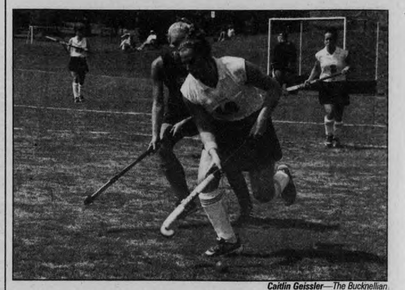
Overall, Nebiker is very pleased.

"Looking at it now, midway through the season, she's been a valuable asset," Nebiker said. "She has been very mature, especially for being only 21 years old. I'm glad it worked out."

Following a long and winding road riddled with many challenges, Desautels has found a way to stay involved and pass her knowledge and passion in the sport of soccer on to many others. Findlay is very happy to see things falling into place.

"She feels good about it," Findlay said. "She's getting across to them and having an impact, and if that's the case, she's accomplishing much more that she thought she would."

Field Hockey is back at .500



Caitlin Geissler—*The Bucknellian*

On Wednesday the field hockey team easily defeated Saint Francis.

By Ashley Hall
Writer

After a rough start in the Patriot League, the Women's field hockey team is back at .500 for the regular season and is optimistically looking towards the future. The Lady Bison's victory over Saint Francis gave them them 2-2 record in the Patriot League and 4-6 record overall.

On Wednesday, Oct. 2, 2002 Bucknell played at Saint Francis and easily defeated the Red Flash. Saint Francis scored first in the 10th minute, but the Bison retaliated with four consecutive goals.

The first Bison goal came on a penalty stroke from Amy Marvel '03. Kelly O'Brien '06 picked up the go-ahead tally and Kirsten Nilsen '06 scored a pair of second-half goals and to lift the Bucknell field hockey team to its first road victory of the season, 4-2

Nilsen tacked on two insurance goals in the second half for her first career multi-goal game. Rookies Nilsen, O'Brien and Carli Cataldo '06 have combined for 10 of Bucknell's 17 goals this season.

Boynton finished with two assists for Bucknell, while Marvel added an assist in the Bison victory. Goalie Sonja Wettergreen ' 03 finished with six saves as Bucknell outshot Saint Francis 18-9.

On Saturday Bucknell fell to Lafayette, 5-0. Lafayette is undefeated in the Patriot League, and their victory over the Bison makes it their eighth-straight win. The Bison were playing without their leading scorer, Meiko Boynton '05, who leads the team in the number of points, assists, goals, and game winning goals.

Bucknell returns to Patriot League play this Saturday when it hosts Lehigh at 1 p.m. at West Field.

Caitlin Geissler—*The Bucknellian*

Women's field hockey team is back at .500 for the regular season.

BUCKNELL BISON™ Statistics

Cross Country
Great American Cross Country Classic
Men's *11th*
Notables: 16. Costello
31. Johnston
Women's *3rd*
Notables: 7. Dennis
15. Cole
19. Gow

Football
Bucknell 27
Delaware State 13
Passing: Wenrich 19-32-0-187 Rushing: Sarnor 20-79, Darrington 5-43

Soccer
Men's
Bucknell 2
Monmouth 0
Goals: Taylor, Visnic
Assists: DeLuca, Hemmert
Saves: Edwards 2

Women's
Bucknell 0
Lafayette 2
Saves: Purse 11

Men's Golf
Dusquesne Invitational 3rd
Notables: 10. Valentine
10. Pellicani
15. Lane

Field Hockey
Bucknell 4
St. Francis 2
Goals: Nilsen 2, O'Brien, Marvel
Assists: Boynton 2, Marvel
Saves: Wettegreen 6

Volleyball
Bucknell 3
Lafayette 0
(30-24, 30-22, 30-21)

Volleyball
Bucknell 1
Lehigh 3
(27-30, 30-22, 30-28, 30-26)

BUCKNELL BISON™ Calendar

Volleyball vs. American
Friday, Oct. 4
7 p.m.

Men's Soccer vs. American
Sunday, Oct. 6
1 p.m.

Football vs. Colgate University
Saturday, Oct. 5

Volleyball vs. Navy
Saturday, Oct. 5
7 p.m.

Crew Bucknell Fall Invitational
Sunday, Oct. 6
TBA

Field Hockey vs. Lehigh
Saturday, Oct. 5
1 p.m.

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Sports Ops

Cecily Cairns Classic Corner

Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

Professional ballplayers have their five minutes of fame. At least that's what people like to say, as though there's some grand force of justice waiting in the corridors of obscurity, behind every "little guy," long shot and underdog out there, ready to bless everyone with one fleeting moment of glory for precisely five minutes before leaving him to fade into the annals of forgotten achievements.

This is really a ridiculous notion. Not only is it a sad truth that most baseball players never get within spitting distance of fame, let alone close enough to bask in the warmth of public adoration, it's also an entirely maintainable fact that, in baseball, there is no such thing as "five minutes of fame."

In this game, once a guy's got fame, he's got it forever. A timely hit or fantastic play—or a catastrophic error, for that matter—no matter how spontaneous or "fleeting" it is, will indubitably float around on the tongues of trivia buffs and history connoisseurs long after the limelight has burned out.

Heck, even if a guy's career bites the dust immediately thereafter, he'll live on as a historical entity for what can only be assumed to be an infinite number of years.

Such is the case with the three main instigators in a drama-packed World Series that took place 55 years ago this week. The 1947 World Series pitted the perennially dominant New York Yankees against Brooklyn's beloved Dodgers, the second of what would eventually become seven Yankee-Dodger intracity Series.

Prior to the Series, it wouldn't have been difficult to offer predictions about which players would emerge as heroes—the Yankees had a lineup that boasted such names as DiMaggio and Rizzuto, and the Dodgers' artillery wasn't to be scoffed at either, with guys like Pete Reiser and the barrier-smashing rookie Jackie Robinson. And while they'd all contribute something to the seven-game battle at some point, it was three other names that would be eternally associated with the spirit of 1947's World Series: Lavagetto, Bevens and Gionfreddo.

Cookie Lavagetto and Bill Bevens would be the protagonists in a heart wrenching game four, while little Gionfreddo would provide the drama in game six.

The Yankees had taken advantage of the home-field edge in the Bronx and jumped to a 2-1 lead in the Series, and looked to be heading towards their third victory on the back of an unlikely hero in Bevens. Bevens had been a paltry 7-13 during the regular season, and while the American League didn't really light him up, it didn't exactly find him perplexing either. On Oct. 3, 1947, however, he had the Dodgers line-up melting at the plate.

Bevens took what would have been the first World Series no-hitter into the ninth inning with a 2-1 lead, and before long he was one out away from doing something no man had done before. He was, in fact, just a couple pitches away from eternal fame. It just wasn't the fame he, or the Yankees, would have liked.

It was another unheralded player who would steal the moment, as pinch-hitter Lavagetto swatted a double into left field, scoring two. Goodbye no-hitter. Goodbye Yankees. For now.

The Bronx Bombers struck back in game five, regaining the Series lead. And while they fell behind 8-5 in the sixth inning of game six, Yankees fans could take some comfort as DiMaggio strode to the plate with two runners aboard and pelted a sure-fire home run towards the Yankees' bullpen. But again, it was a no-name character who barraged common sense and strode his way into history with one clasp of his leather glove. Gionfreddo had drifted onto the Dodgers team partway into the season, and had only batted .177 in 62 at-bats, but when he was plunked into left field on Oct. 6, he was as opportunistic as any player has ever been. He ripped DiMaggio's shot right out of it's majestic arch, ending the Yankees' drive and allowing the Dodgers to cruise on to victory.

Miracles can't happen every game, though, and the Yankees would go on to stomp the Dodgers 5-2 in game seven and win the second of their six World Series over the Brooklyn gang (it wasn't until 1955 that justice sided with Brooklyn altogether, allowing the lovable squad to triumph overall). In the long run, the three heroes of 1947 didn't get very far either.

Neither Lavagetto, Gionfreddo or Bevens ever played another game in the major leagues after that Series. So if there is a limit on fame in baseball, they used up every precious ounce they had in their respective moments of profundity.

Over the next few years, Gionfreddo's catch would be outshadowed by Mays' 1954 grab and Bevens' gem would be eclipsed by Don Larson unblemished nine innings in 1956, but it's impossible to completely overshadow the pure unpredictability of that 1947 Series. How timely of Bevens, Lavagetto and Gionfreddo to stumble upon their five minutes on so grand a stage.

It's really the kind of thing that makes baseball such a beautiful game. After all, where else can a guy's five minutes turn into 55 years?

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Aaron DeRosa
Sports Editor

Major League colonoscopies

By the time you read this article, much of the first round of baseball playoffs will have passed like a kidney stone from the prostate-swollen urethra of major-league baseball playoffs. Baseball playoffs rank a distant third in terms of painfully arduous postseasons, with the NBA's three month slug-crawl taking a definitive first. Watching the NBA playoffs is like trying to have an animated conversation with Jack Webb from "Dragnet."

But major-league baseball's playoff picture has only one real problem, the white-collar crime known to most as the "wild card." I consider the wild card a white-collar crime because it serves only one purpose: for corporate bigwigs with powdered wigs and monocles to make an extra mil on the sale of ballpark franks over the course of five extra games.

Of course, some would say why do we care, it's a few more games to entertain the public, what's the harm in that? Well the harm is that it destroys the excitement and intensity of pennant races. The perfect example of the malevolent effects of the wildcard system was in full effect this season as Oakland and Anaheim duked it out in a last-man-standing, barroom brawl in the last week of the season to guarantee themselves … home field advantage.

Prior to the creation of the wild card, they would be fighting to keep playing, but now, not so much. The thrill of a pennant race has vanished … replaced by a much flimsier "wild card" race, which I could only imagine was established in response to the growing disparity in the quality of teams or the dilution of players, one of the deleterious effects of overexpansion.

But like it or no, the wild card exists and it is on this that I must comment. Let's break down the matchups.

In the American League, we have the wild card Angels challenging the defending league champion New York Yankees. Notice, whenever announcers talk about the Yankees, they are the Yankees that have won four of the last six World Series. Forget liberal versus conservative media bias, let's talk about Yankee media bias. I haven't seen Yankee kissing this bad since Lee's surrender at the Appomattox Courthouse.

Regardless, after the Angels shed the meaty albatross of Mo Vaughn from their ship of state, they've managed to succeed beyond all expectations. They truly are a Disney movie in the making—of course this is the part of the story that will be edited before the final premiere … the part where the Yankees rip Anaheim apart, feather by feather until they lie on the field, bruised like a 4-week-old peach. Anaheim lacks experience, a starting rotation comparable to that of the Yankees and a prayer. And there's nothing Christopher Lloyd can do about it.

In the Oakland-Minnesota series, we can expect contraction to happen early as the Twins conjoin at the head and can't tell which elbow to lean out over the plate. They've got a great team, but like Anaheim, no depth at the starting rotation, no experience and no one seems to be able to hit lefties … let's get Karl Marx in here for some batting practice.

I sincerely consider not discussing the National League after its unfair treatment of the New York Mets. Could you believe that the crappy umpires could cause the outcome of so many games?! It's ridiculous. If not for faulty umpiring, the Mets would easily have set a National League record for wins. But noooo … they don't complain and look where they end up. But at least Mo Vaughn will win NL MVP.

The Boston Braves take on the wild card contending New York Giants. Barry Bonds can only be described as sensational this year, showing how you don't have to obliterate a home run record to show who wears the pants in this league. But Atlanta's pitching has been superb and Bonds is only one man … or two men, apparently. Bonds is definitely the type to refer to himself in the third person, begging the question, is he referring to himself or some stunt double that he uses for all his action sequences—every time he hits a homerun, he pats the guy on the back and tells him to give the crowd a wave as he runs the bases. "Barry Bonds don't like that call," "Barry Bonds likes hitting home runs" or "Barry Bonds likes his grapes peeled." It's probably going to be a battle, but in the end, the Braves will head to the World Series for yet another postseason defeat that no one in Atlanta really cares about anyway.

Atlanta really is the perfect foil for the Yankees. Like Richelieu and Louis XIII, Space Ghost and Zorak or George Bush and a dictionary, George Steinbrenner has Ted Turner. Steinbrenner probably has Turner's portrait hung over his wall as a reminder of what he must never become. Turner and his Atlanta Braves are living proof that success without rings is not exciting. Atlanta has won 10 division titles in a row but only one ring in that stretch. Where's the enthusiastic support for them? Out tailgating because the flames licking up the side of a Dodge Stratus are more exciting than anything going on in the stadium.

The final bout pits the Cardinals against the defending World Series champion Arizona Diamondbacks. There are few pitching duos as awe-inspiring to watch as Johnson and Schilling. Not since Charlie Sheen starred in "Major League" have I felt so emasculated simply watching a pitcher walk out to the mound.

But the champs are hurting and the Cards have one of the strongest lineups in postseason and you have to respect a team that can recover after the death of such a valued teammate. Sadly, that death will cost them in the long run with a starting rotation stretched thinner than the lining of Ted Kennedy's liver.

Scott Kloss
Senior Writer

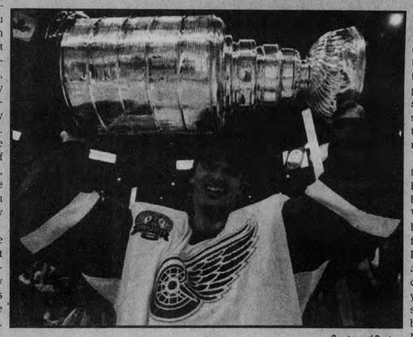
All-Skate!!! Just as the New York Yankees look for their unprecedented 32-straight World Series rings and the Super Bowl favorite turned playoff beggar St. Louis Rams look to notch a "W" in the win column, another sport hopes to capture the American heart. Hockey is back on Oct. 9, and you have front-row seats to the media guide for the 2003 Season! If you're like my brother, you read all the details and every stat a locked up unemployed statistician could conjure up. Since I know some of you just breeze through the "pictures," I'll try my best to inform you on what you missed:

Step 1—take a Russian speaking course! No, I'm serious. If you are going to get a firm grasp on present-day hockey, your daily diet must consist of Russian pronunciation lessons. Maxim Kuznetsov, Pavel Datsyuk and Manny Malhotra are but a few of the casual names thrown out by hockey announcers and analysts alike. Where the East meets West once again, this time instead of Germany as the point of battle, hockey players from all over the globe mix sides and face off in American hockey arenas for a truly global event.

Let's begin our journey in the Motor City of Detroit and find out how the octopus-throwing juggernauts are fairing. Question: How good can a team be when it loses its coach, goalie and key offensive threat? Answer: Stanley Good. Scotty Bowman, finally called it quits as skipper of the Red Wings after capturing Lord Stanley's Cup. Bowman, a player's coach, brought the best out in his players and harped on the fundamentals of hockey to lead the Red Wings to last year's championship. Dominik "I look like a fish out of water on hot summer's day" Hasek, former goalie of last year's Red Wings, signed a one-year contract to win it all and succeed. Now he is satisfied and out of the NHL. The last of the stars to move on comes in the way of injured center Steve Yzerman. Yzerman, who injured his knee in the off-season, is not expected to return to action until the All-Star break. So are the Wings ready for another run at the Cup or is this what my friends like to call another example of "The Decker Effect" of big buildup with little to no results?

My favorite team you ask? Why the Dallas Stars of course! Actually, I go all the way back to the Minnesota North Stars before they moved to Dallas and Neal Broten days. Probably the most retooled team from the off-season, the Stars look to regain their premier standing in the West. Free agent additions Bill Guerin, Scott Young and Ulf Dahlen should all plug in seamlessly under player-friendly first-year coach Dave Tippett. In goal, Ed Belfour's five-year reign is over and it is time to see if career backup Marty Turco is up to the challenge of performing as a No. 1 goaltender. The Stars also added veteran goalie Ron Tugnutt to provide insurance in case Turco isn't getting the job done.

Closer to home, the Pittsburgh Penguins look to improve to the next level, but once again the outlook is not positive. A couple weeks back a few friends and I traveled to Wilkes-Barre, Pa., to watch a preseason matchup between the New Jersey Devils and the Penguins. Once we settled into our $18 seats—turned $50 glass seats due to confusion—we noticed that the Penguins once again had the toughness that was symbolic of the glory years. Good thing we snapped our group picture quickly since the Penguins were boarding the Devils, taking out a frustration not felt in years.



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Goalie Dominik Hasek, now retired, proudly displays the Stanley Cup.

After missing the playoffs for the first time since 1990, the Penguins are hungrier than ever, but losing Robert Lang to Washington and the constant non-hockey related injuries keep them from achieving that goal. The Penguins were not active in the free agent bonanza due to financial concerns, so we will see whether youthful vigor can beat proven, skilled players. The future might be the No. 18 overall pick in 2000 NHL Entry Draft Brooks Orpik. Mario Lemieux has expressed interest in once again having the dual role of front office and hockey player, but in all honesty, unless Lemieux finds help from Clark Kent, G.I. Joe and Wayne Gretzky, this will be a rather sub par season for Pens fans.

So I was chatting with a Colorado Avalanche fan this afternoon and after we ironed out the pronunciation of Patrick Roy, pronounced "Wua," not "Roy" as in Roy Rogers, she explained how the Avalanche seemed poised for another terrific season. (Sure hometown favorites!) I tend to agree with her for a couple reasons. First, General Manager Pierre Lacroix dealt for defensive intimidator Darius Kasparatis to add to a stellar back line. Returning are Peter Forsberg and a talented crew, which should once again translate into a winning season.

Justin McCarthy
Senior Writer
(11-9)

NFL Predictions

Pittsburgh (1-2) at New Orleans (3-1)
The Saints have come out hot this year, though last week they lost to the then-winless Lions. The Saints have strong offensive weapons, yet they are 4th in the AFC in turnovers committed. New Orleans will have to rely on the arm of Brooks to win this one because the Steelers rushing defense is still as potent as ever. It's their pass defense that is horrendous. Who would've thought there would be a QB controversy in Pittsburgh? I'm a Stewart supporter all the way, but still this week I'd like to see what XFL MVP Tommy Maddox can do. No matter who takes the snaps under center, the Steelers main concern should be the ineffectiveness of "the Bus" this season. The Steelers are going to start a winning streak, and the Saints a losing streak, this week.

New England (3-1) at Miami (3-1)
This is a matchup for supremacy in the AFC East. Both teams are coming their first losses of the season last week due to multiple turnovers. The Dolphins were annihilated last week through the air as they gave up five passing TDs, which doesn't bode well considering they are facing Brady, who is second in the league in total passing yards. While the Patriots were beaten last week on the ground by Tomlinson, the NFL's leading rusher, this week they will be facing Ricky Williams, the NFL's second leading rusher. Ultimately, whichever team addresses its apparent defensive problems from last week will win. As much as it pains me, I'm picking the defending champs.

San Diego (4-0) at Denver (3-1)
San Diego can pull away in the AFC West with the Raiders, if they win. The Chargers are 4-0 for the first time since their 1994 Super Bowl season, and they don't show any signs of slowing down. The Broncos better come to play this week and don't lose the game like they did on Monday night. Both offenses are potent, so this game will be decided by the matchup of the two best defenses in the AFC. This is a tough one, but my gut feeling is pushing me to go with the Chargers.

St. Louis (0-4) at San Francisco (3-1)
The Rams better find some answers, and quickly, for only one 0-4 team has ever made the playoffs. Faulk has had a dismal start, averaging only 47 rushing yards a game. With Warner out for the next few weeks with a broken finger, the Rams look as if desperation may be setting in soon. After averaging 31 points last season, they are averaging only 15 so far. That is great news for the Niners, whose offense hasn't seemed to click yet either. (The Rams have more passing yards than the 49ers have total yards.) This game will be decided by the Niners defense, which ranks in the top 5 in the NFC in total defense and turnover margin, while the Rams have the second worst turnover margin in the league. Rams remain winless.

Green Bay (3-1) at Chicago (2-2)
The Bears need to win this game to prevent falling back early to their divisional rival Green Bay. Chicago is currently on a two-game losing streak, after winning their first two due to a defensive slump that is most apparent in the secondary. Their defense has got to step up against Favre, who is second in the NFC's in passing yards. And the man to lead them is Rosevelt Colvin, who is the current NFL sack leader. The Pack win.

TRIVIA

By Justin McCarthy

1. What player has scored the most TDs in one half?
2. How long is the longest TD ever scored?
3. Who is the only MLB player to hit 30 HRs, score 100 runs, drive in 100 RBIs, and amass 100 walks in six consecutive seasons?

1. Shaun Alexander (SEA); 5 TDs vs. Minnesota on 9/29/02; 2. A 108 yard return of a missed field goal by Chris McAlister (BAL) vs. Denver on 9/30/02; 3. Jeff Bagwell; from 1996-2001

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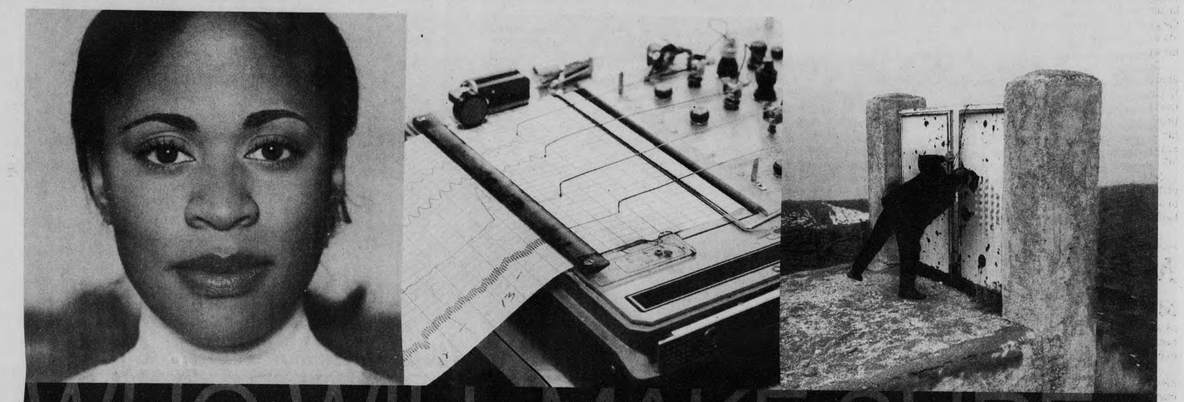

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Sports

Womens soccer falls 0-2

By Dave Cohen
Senior Writer

The Bucknell women's soccer team dropped its second consecutive Patriot League game on Sept. 29 to the Lafayette Leopards, 2-0. The Bison, still without a league victory after a torrid non-league start to the season, have not scored a goal since their 1-0 victory over Long Island at the Marist Tournament on Sept. 15.

Lafayette struck in the 24th minute of the first half with a goal by Emily Mayers, and the Leopards proceeded to take a 1-0 lead into the locker room at halftime. Lafayette then put the game away with an additional goal in the 69th minute of the game. Laurie Purse '03 went the complete 90 minutes of the game and saved 11 shots on goal.

Despite another offensive scoring drought, the Orange and Blue actually outshot Lafayette 23 to 15. The team just could not find the net. Tara Utchel '03 had four shot attempts on the afternoon, while Lauren Schwartz '03 and Meghann Chipko '05 had three each.

Chipko believes that the team is perhaps overanalyzing what it needs to do to win, rather than just playing loose.

"After the game it was pretty disappointing to lose again," Chipko said. "After the game we couldn't figure out why we're losing. We feel like we're working hard but we're not winning. We have many capable players of scoring, but nobody has really stepped up in the past few games. We are overanalyzing things. Maybe we need to just go out there, act on instinct and have fun."

Tyler Kidder— The Bucknellian

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Ashley Dincher '05 feels the same frustration. She knows that defending a league championship is no easy task, even though the team this year is comparable to last year's and there should be no reason why it cannot defend its title.

"It's a sensitive time right now. We have had huge expectations this year. Last season we were the underdogs. This year we have realized that every game is going to be a battle," Dincher said. "Everyone is out to get us because we are the defending champs. The way things are going right now is definitely a surprise, but we are still the same team and there is a very good chance that we can make it into the tournament. We need to just go out and play."

Melissa Lawson '03 is confident that strong team chemistry will help the team pull through eventually.

"We are going through a tough time right now. We started off last season in a similar fashion. But because of the team chemistry that we have, I am not too worried. We have lost two of our leading scorers from last year. We have a lot of shooters on our team, but we do not have finishers," Lawson said. "It is not something that is going to come overnight. Honestly, the biggest thing that we have going for us right now is our chemistry. We are not playing bad soccer. We have actually dominated most of the games. We are just not putting the ball in the net."

Lawson is working on what she can do individually to produce better results.

"Personally, I can look to be more of an offensive threat," Lawson said. "I am a conservative defender and I should definitely look to go forward more often and be a threat."

Bucknell's record fell to 5-4, 0-2 following the defeat.

Men's soccer off to 8-1-1 start

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sprain that occurred while defending a shot in practice over a week ago. Tim Faneck '06 has come off the bench to fill the stopper position.

"This was Tim's second start in place of an injured Alex Far. He did a very solid job on defense and also made very good decisions on when to come forward," Nash said.

"Having Far get injured last week was a big loss. But he's been helping me all season in the back getting adjusted to our style and system," Faneck said. "I just tried to play my game, get the ball up the field to the midfielders and forwards, and win every head ball possible. Having support from your entire team helps out a lot and that's been the key to our success this year."

The Bison improve their record to 8-1-1, as they approach the second Patriot League match of the season. Bucknell will travel to American University on Sunday for a 1 p.m. kickoff.

Mud makes for interesting meet

By Evan Honeyfield
Writer

The men's and women's cross country teams took their first real test of the season by traveling to North Carolina to duke it out with some of the top-rated schools in the nation at the Great American Cross Country Festival this past weekend. Heavy rain turned the course into a mud pit with ruts nearly half a foot deep. The men struggled through the mud to an 11th place finish in the seeded race while the women finished 3rd in the unseeded race.

Bucknell's most consistent top runners, Greg Costello '03 and Bryan Johnston '03, led the Bison men finishing the 8k in 27 minutes 1 second for 16th place and 27:18 for 31st. Nick Mousetis '04, Eric Furst '03 and Stephen Schaefer '04 rounded out the scoring. Costello initially enjoyed the conditions, but soon found them difficult to handle.

"After running in the mud, I realized how much harder it was to get moving," he said. "It made the race a lot slower."

Even though the Bison men finished below expectations, the meet wasn't a complete waste, Head Coach Kevin Donner said.

"As a team, I was disappointed with our overall 11th-place finish," Donner said. "Greg and Bryan ran very well and proved to me that they are national-caliber runners. However, it takes five people to place high in these types of meets and we did not have that. Our guys are very persistent and I do expect us to bounce back off this meet and prove that we are a national-caliber type of team."

"Greg and Brian ran very well and proved to me that they are national-caliber runners."

—Kevin Donner, head coach

Bucknell's inconsistency at the three through five spots appears to be the only thing holding them back. A strong day could have easily pushed the men up to 7th or 8th place.

"We now need to work on packing up in races and try to close the gap between our second runner, Bryan Johnston, and the rest of the team," Costello said. "If we do this, we are a team to watch out for."

Heath issues and injuries sidelined a number of the women's top harriers. Since the lady Bison lost four of five scorers from last season, the loss of two key individuals in a rebuilding year was definitely noticed.

Theresa Dennis '03, the top returning runner from last year, finished in 20:20 to take 7th. The first-year foursome of Alison Cole, Jamie Gow, Julie Jakoboski and Rachel Tutmaher completed the scoring for the Bison.

In other weekend cross country action, the men's junior varsity team gave Messiah a beating to remember, taking five of the top eight places. Juniors Sean McCarthy and Kevin Walsh led the effort with a one-two finish.

The junior varsity women narrowly lost to Messiah on a course that also saw significant deterioration from the hurricane-like rain.

The Bison's next challenge will be on Saturday as they play host to the Gulden Invitation. Central Michigan leads the list of eight teams and looks to be a good challenge. Fans are encouraged to support the Bison on the Mods Fields.

Women's UnSeeded Race

Finisher	Place	Time
Theresa Dennis	7	20:20
Alison Cole	15	20:43
Jamie Gow	19	20:55
Julie Jackaboski	35	21:25
Rachel Tutmaher	42	21:33
Lauren Kinsley	56	21:48

Men's Seeded Race

Finisher	Place	Time
Greg Costello	16	27:01
Brian Jonston	31	27:18
Nick Mousetis	77	28:06
Eric Furst	96	28:29
Stephen Schaefer	110	28:53
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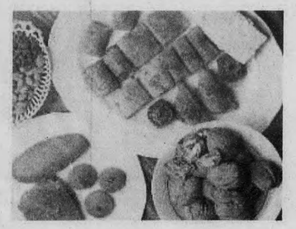

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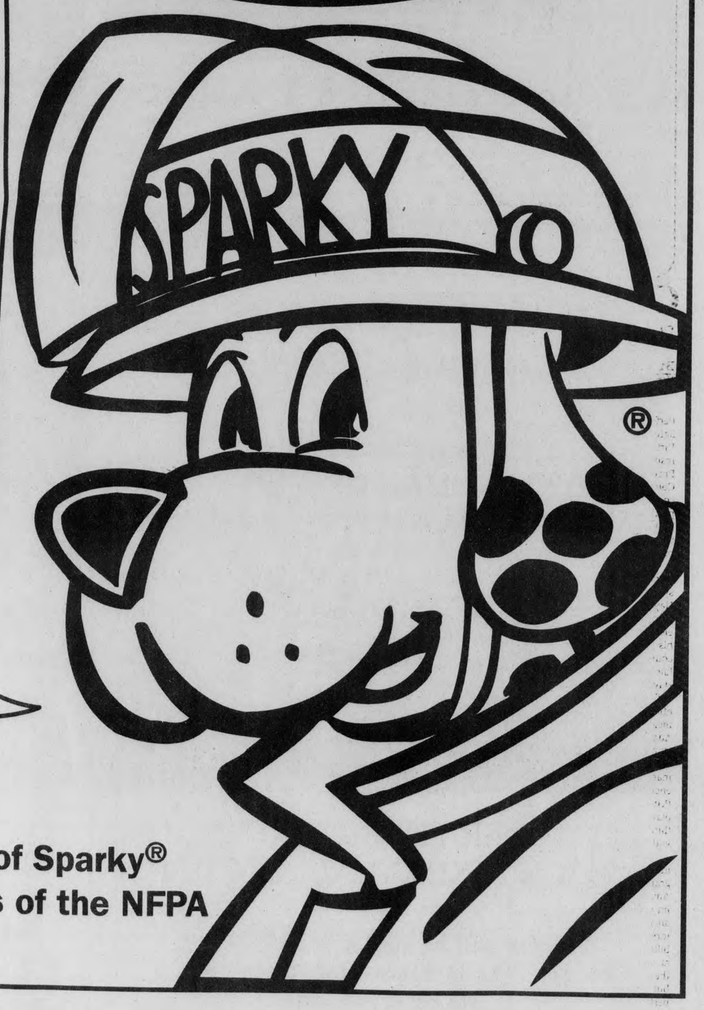

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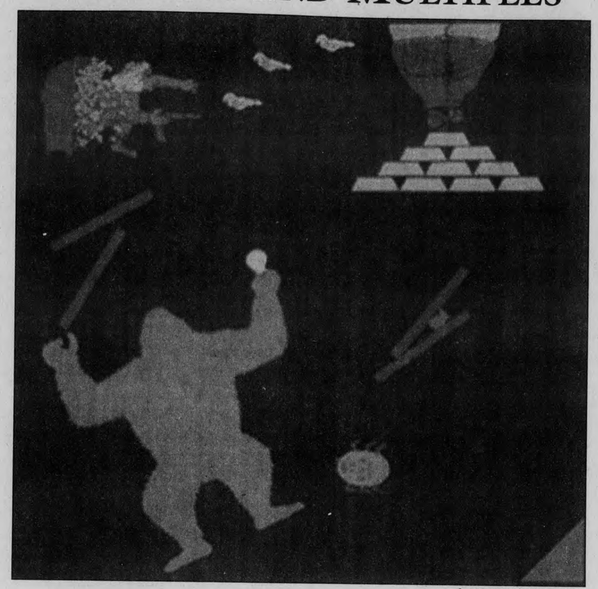


Courtesy of the Samek Art Gallery

"Elements from 'Mases,'" is one of the pieces currently on display in the Samek Art Gallery. It is baked enamel on metal with magnets. The Öyvind Fahlström: The Complete Graphics and Multiples exhibit shows works from artist, poet, journalist, playwright, critic, filmmaker and activist Fahlström. This is one of two Fahlström exhibitions that have traveled the world since 1999. His work will be on display until Oct. 16.

Sanchez's poetry delights audience

By Meghan Ball
Writer

A petite woman walked up to the podium. The red handkerchief that covered her gray-black dreadlocks barely peeped over the tall wooden box. Yet from this small, older woman came a voice so strong and harmonious that the entire audience fell into a dreamlike state listening to her rolling words. More than the beautifully crafted words that she spoke, it was the way in which they tumbled across the hall that captivated the audience. Her poetry morphed into a song as she read poems about freedom, love, family and the future of this world to a Bucknell Hall audience last Friday night.

Civil rights activist, professor, author, women's rights advocate, mother, international lecturer, peace proclaimer and poet, Sonia Sanchez has wasted little of her time here on earth. As an African-American female born in 1934 in Birmingham, Ala., Sanchez has seen a lot of change during her lifetime. She earned a bachelor of arts degree in political science from Hunter College in Harlem, N.Y., in 1955. She then pursued postgraduate work at New York University, where she also studied poetry with Louise Bogan.

Sanchez has been active in many campaigns over the decades, fighting for equality and peace among all people. Her campaigns have resulted in visits from both the FBI and the Black Panthers, but she never gave up the fight. Her poetry has received much acclaim, including the Peace and Freedom Award from the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, the Langston Hughes Poetry Award, the Pennsylvania Governor's Award for Excellence in Humanities and a National Endowment for the Arts award. She has lectured in over 10 different nations and has published more than 16 books.

"I have read Sanchez's work previously but not heard it read," Professor of Art and Art History Mary Brantl said. "Listening to the modulations in her voice, the turns and twists of sound and morph and meaning, I was caught up in both the pictures painted—how they speak to experience and present, age and promise—but equally in her means—voice and word—part music, part brushwork. A poignant reminder of the power and the too often forgotten relevance of the poet and the crafted word."

After her reading, many lingered in the hall, buying Sanchez's works and waiting for a chance to speak with the poet. People waiting in line to offer praises and obtain an autograph within their book were proof of how well the audience received the presentation. In addition to those in line, more lingered among the pews, waiting for the numbers to dwindle. Above the murmurs of those waiting their turn, Sanchez's voice could be heard, as melodic and clear as it was when she was reading, greeting and encouraging her "brothers and sisters."

Listeners were eager to offer their praises of Sanchez's reading.

"The way her poetry read, it sounded more like prose," Mike Mellas '05 said. "It was so lifelike."

"I especially liked it when Sanchez broke free from speaking and began to sing her words because it gave more feeling and emotion to the poetry and made it more personal and unique," Rachel Charow '06 said. "I also love listening to music so I could relate and connect to her poetry more."

Sanchez is a poet-in-residence at the University. Staying in Lewisburg for the semester, she teaches an advanced poetry workshop and can be seen wandering around campus. In addition to her one class, the poet-in-residence is asked to give two poetry readings and visit several area high school English classes. This was the first of Sanchez's two readings, the next being on Nov. 17. Her works can be found in the library and the Bookstore.

Orchestra concert well-attended

The Philharmonia Virtuosi perform four distinctive works

By David Allen
Writer

The Weis Center for the Performing Arts hosted a concert Saturday night by Philharmonia Virtuosi, a highly-skilled and well-respected chamber orchestra based at Purchase College in Westchester County, N.Y. Under the direction of conductor Richard Kapp, the group performed four distinctive works. Kapp prefaced each piece with a short description of its history, high points and featured musicians.

The first piece the Virtuosi performed was "The Schoolmaster," symphony No. 55 by Franz Joseph Haydn. Kapp said that, although the piece was not visually descriptive, elements of a schoolteacher tapping his pointer and delivering his lecture could be detected if concertgoers knew what to listen for. He praised Haydn's compositional skills and his ability to make a simple melody so effective. He also said that the melody of the symphony's second Adagio movement "would almost be stupid if it weren't brilliant." The orchestra gave an inspired performance of the piece, playing with energy in both fast and slow sections. Principal cellist Dorothy Lawson played a solo during the Trio of the third movement, and the piece closed with a fast-paced Presto movement.

The second piece had an interesting story behind it. Listed in the program as a work by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, the "Adelaide" violin concerto in D major, K. 294a has an interesting and controversial history. Discovered in 1935 in Paris and billed as being composed by Mozart at age eight on his way to London, the piece received intense scrutiny, but found a receptive audience in a performance by Yehudi Menuhin, a well-known violinist. The piece was revealed to be a fraud 25 years later, when a noted French musician, Marius Casadesus, confessed on his deathbed that he had written it and passed it off as Mozart's work.

Kapp inquired before beginning the piece whether members of the audience would enjoy the piece more or less if they thought it was by Mozart. Regardless of who composed the piece, violin soloist Mela Tenenbaum delivered a remarkable performance. She executed complicated passages with tremendous skill and played melody lines with style and beautiful tone.

At the concert's end, Peter Van '03 said that he not only enjoyed the presentation of the "Adelaide" Concerto, but also that he thought it was "real Mozart."

"I don't think it mattered [if Mozart composed it], it was still a great performance." Safiya Abouzaid '04 said.

The orchestra began the second half of its concert with "Valse Triste," Op. 44 by the Finnish composer Jean Sibelius. Kapp's comments before this piece were more brief than those he made previously, but he encouraged the audience to take note of the piece's shifting tonality and strange, almost fluid, structure.

"[The piece] is just slightly twisted, and it's wonderful," Kapp said.

The piece indeed seemed irregular, with constant fluctuations in tone, tempo and volume. The dynamics rose and fell quickly, and the chord changes followed very strange progressions. The "Valse Triste" was performed by a small wind section of two oboes and two French horns, with very little force in many passages and dynamics that rarely rose beyond a forte level. The piece came to an unceremonious end, and though the Virtuosi had given a subtle and effective performance, the audience was left not quite knowing what it had heard.

The program closed with an obscure and very eccentric piece: "Sinfonietta," by the Spanish composer Ernesto Halffter. The work is very seldom heard in performance; Kapp estimated that it had not been performed in 30 years. Though it is not widely known, "Sinfonietta" is a rare example of a piece evoking scenes of Spain that is actually by a Spanish composer.

Kapp cited Georges Bizet's opera "Carmen" as a piece often thought of as being "Spanish music," despite the fact that Bizet was French. He also noted the work's length, saying that, "if Halffter had been 30 years older [when he wrote the piece, it] would have been 20 minutes shorter."

The piece featured a full wind section, including trumpet and trombone, and three percussionists. Throughout the piece, the string players exhibited a very aggressive playing style, bowing with short, quick strokes and sometimes even hitting the strings of their instruments with their bows. These short, accented attacks were often layered against smooth legato passages in a creative and diverting use of counterpoint. The brass players frequently interjected muted notes, but closed the Adagio movement with a broad flourish.

The first, third and fourth movements displayed crisp, accented playing with clashing harmonies giving way to seemingly disjointed rhythms and attacks. The second movement was the most traditional, with an opening trio of violin, oboe and cello and the gradual addition of flute and French horn. The entire piece veered between standard orchestral playing and very unconventional techniques.

After the concert, Dhaval Petel said that, although he enjoyed what he viewed as "influence from the big-band era ... with very deep bass" in the Halffter piece, he thought, "it was way too long."

The concert had every appearance of a success; it was both well-attended and well-received. The musicians performed at a consistently excellent level, more than living up to the group's title of Virtuosi. Kapp served as both a charismatic emcee and an impressive and dynamic conductor. The program was diverse and inventively constructed, with the second half's more modern and irregular pieces serving as a perfect counter to the first half's traditional works.

Cute movie a smash hit

"Sweet Home Alabama" grossed $37.5 million last weekend

By Stephanie Nickse
Senior Writer

"Sweet Home Alabama" is indeed a sweet movie! It was also a huge hit last weekend when it finally came to the big screen. The box office raked in $37.5 million, which comes to the greatest dollar total of September opening movies ever, according to MSN Entertainment News.

With romantic innuendos featured in its previews, this "girly movie" definitely lived up to expectations.

Movie Review

"It was a bit of a chick flick, but it was fun to watch and I'd see it again," Kathy Morgan '03 said.

Reese Witherspoon stars as Alabama belle Melanie Carmichael. She appears focused on her career in New York while dating the handsome and prominent politician Andrew Hemmings (Patrick Dempsey). Carmichael loses her composure when Hemmings proposes and she has to return home to Greenville, Ala., to inform her family and friends. She must face her past ... and her marriage.

Josh Lucas plays Jake Perry, the husband she left behind when she relocated to New York. Nothing was finalized when she left, and this adorable, dimple-faced man shows no signs that he will give Carmichael a divorce.

Confrontation and passions build up as Carmichael finds herself in the sticky situation of keeping her fiance and city friends from finding out about her family and humble roots.

Confrontation and passions build up as Carmichael finds herself in the sticky situation of keeping her fiance and city friends from finding out about her family and humble roots. Carmichael is forced to choose between two men, and two very different lives. Dempsey's performance makes the decision a tough one. Hemmings not only shows genuine admiration and care for Witherspoon, but he forgives her lies and understands that her past is important to any future they might have.

"It was a cute story line—nothing unique, but still enjoyable," Allison Kuckuck '03 said.

"I thought the movie was cute," Lisa Sechrist '03 said. "It was predictable, but still good evening entertainment."

"Sweet Home Alabama," an undisputably "cute" movie, definitely has its place in the hearts of Americans.

Courtesy of Reuters

Reese Witherspoon stands in front of a movie poster at the premier of "Sweet Home Alabama." She plays Melanie Carmichael in the movie.

FEATURES

Jessica Sherry '05 makes firefighting as easy as pie

By Leah Cunningham
Staff Writer

Behind the scenes at the football games, taking injured athletes' blood pressures, ready to throw on her gear for a downtown Lewisburg fire and performing as a full-time student, Emergency Medical Technician [EMT] and firefighter, it's hard to find a moment when 19-year-old Jessica Sherry '05 isn't on call.

"Jess is very dedicated to helping those in need in the Bucknell and Lewisburg communities. Most Bucknell students don't know many people in Lewisburg outside of the Bucknell 'bubble,'" said Barbara Black, University alumna and physician assistant in pediatrics at Geisinger Medical Center. "As a member of the William Cameron Engine Company, Jess has been able to see and learn much more about the Lewisburg community than the typical Bucknell student. Jess cares a lot about people—Bucknellians and 'townies' alike."

As an active member and Chief of Operations for the campus' Student Emergency Response Volunteers (SERV), Sherry is responsible for supervising all personnel at emergencies and stand-bys.

In addition to training all of SERV's new members, Sherry is also in charge of the recruitment and orientation for SERV. When not responding to EMT calls, she is volunteering as a qualified firefighter for the local fire department William Cameron Engine Company.

"Joining SERV was just the next logical step for me. I was thrilled when I applied to Bucknell and found that they had a campus EMS group and a volunteer station in town. Helping others is a very important part of my life and always has been," Sherry said. "Being an EMT and firefighter has just allowed me to extend that even further."

Mike Purcell, adviser to the SERV group, explains that the main objective of SERV is to have quick response in any type of medical emergency on campus, any time of the day or night. All SERV members that respond are qualified EMTs for Pennsylvania, as well as other states.

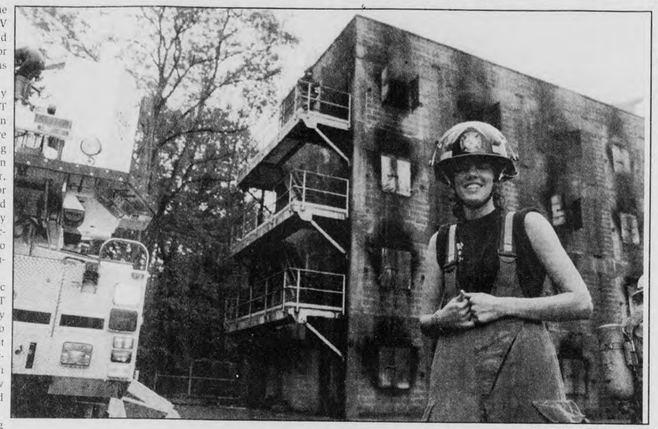
Sherry initially became a certified EMT at age 16 in Union Township, N.J., where she grew up. Valuing her experiences as an EMT and firefighter, Sherry is responsible for coming to the aid and rescue of not only University students, faculty and staff, but also her hometown community and Lewisburg.

"It's sort of ironic that I became an EMT before I could drive. My mom had to drive me to calls," Sherry said. "But no matter what, my parents have always been very supportive. I know they are proud and admire me."

Humbly describing only a few of her feats in coming to the rescue of others, Sherry said that she reacts on impulse and many of her experiences become a blur. She has performed what many believe is impossible. Sherry has brought a 16-year-old, post-drowning victim back to life by administering CPR, has revived a 7-year-old boy, bravely put out many fires and even helped deliver her former high school teacher's breached baby on July 4, 2000.

Recalling her most dramatic call last year, Sherry said a double fatal accident off campus just blurs together, but just being there to help others was an indescribable feeling.

"I act on instinct ... I'm an inherently calm person. I've found as long as you take a minute when you get on an emergency scene and figure out exactly what's going on and what you need to do, everything runs smoothly. Being confident in your skills and training also helps you to remain calm," Sherry said.



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Sherry balances her time as a full time student, an EMT and a firefighter. Sherry is an active member and chief of operations for the campus's Student Emergency Response Volunteers (SERV). Sherry first became a certified EMT at the age of 16.

In one of her more recent experiences as a firefighter, Sherry found herself reacting to a call for the campus house on 6th Street a week ago.

"When we got the call, we first went to the station to get on our gear and apparatus. We were the first attack team. My crew and I were pulling a line [hose] into the basement to finally knock down the fire in the wall," Sherry said.

Sherry's contributions and level of commitment follows her wherever she goes.

"Prior to Jess' freshman year, SERV was a failing organization in terms of membership, leadership and activity. Jess has been instrumental in the revitalization of the group. At Bucknell she recognized the potential of the SERV organization and its members' ability to provide services to the Bucknell community," Black said.

Even throughout Sherry's countless hours spent on call and volunteering, this EMT and firefighter squeezes in time to focus on her current secondary education, biology major and English minor, work in Admissions as a tour guide and with Volunteers in Service to Admissions, as a host and soon as a University representative at her hometown high schools. She also organizes substance-free programming with her residents in Harris as a CHOICE [Choosing Healthy Options in a Community Environment] fellow.

"When I'm not being a firefighter/EMT, I spend time doing lots of other little things. I love to be outside swimming, skiing, hiking or doing anything to keep me busy," Sherry said.

Sherry's good friend and former hall mate, Gwen Foult '05, said that Sherry is a committed and all-around great person.

"Jess is one of the most dedicated people I have ever known. She can manage time so well between the two worlds as a college student and SERV volunteer," Foult said.

"The dedication that Jess has does not stop at just the SERV group. She is always willing to go that extra mile in the fire station as well as working in the Admissions Office giving families of prospectives campus tours. Jess does not have just one strong point," Purcell said. "There are multiple points of interest with her. She is a very well-liked person in the peer group that she is around and always makes people feel welcome."

Sherry plans to continue working on SERV and volunteering as an EMT and firefighter. She is highly regarded as a hard worker, positive role model and even an excellent cookie chef.

"Jess is well-known in the fire department for her cookie-baking skills," Black said. "After returning to the station from every fire rescue call, Jess immediately runs to the kitchen to make a fresh batch of cookies for the tired firefighters."

In addition to taking continuing education classes to maintain her certification, Sherry trained 120 hours to be certified as EMT, 88 hours for firefighter certification and spent over 300 hours in class and training since her first year of college. Black can see Sherry being a diplomat for the United Nations and traveling to other countries to help when disasters hit an area; Sherry has other ideas.

"My great debate has been to teach or go to medical school," Sherry said. "But I know either way I'll be working with people. Even when I'm volunteering, it's that hands-on difference I can make that keeps me coming back over and over."

> *"It's sort of ironic that I became an EMT before I could drive. My mom had to drive me to calls. But no matter what, my parents have always been very supportive. I know they are proud and admire me."*
> *—Jessica Sherry '05*

Whether Sherry is investing her energy in saving lives, giving student tours, putting out fires or simply baking cookies, her underlying motive will always be in the attempt to help others.

Annual Lewisburg House Tour on Saturday

The annual Lewisburg House Tour, "Under the Three Ball Lights," will be Saturday, Oct. 5. The architectural walk will leave from the Packwood House lobby beginning at 10 a.m. Tours will leave on every hour; the last tour departing at 3 p.m. The tour will include homes from the 19th and 20th centuries, as well as the Himmelreich Library.

Tickets are $10 and can be purchased at Brushstrokes, Dogwood Hill, Gingerbread House, Pennsylvania Mercantile and the Wardrobe, as well as at Parents Weekend registration. On Saturday, tickets will also be available starting at 9:30 a.m. at Union County Courthouse, in front of the Lewisburg Hotel and in the Packwood House lobby.

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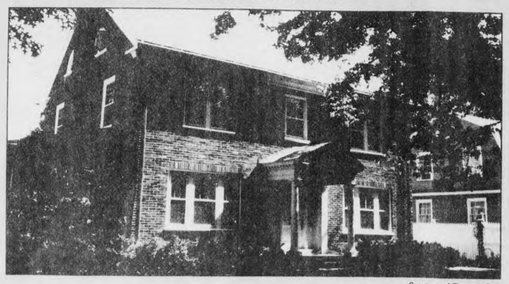
An apple pie, baked in a Dutch oven on the hearth at 1 Beck St., Lewisburg. Artist David Seybold will be demonstrating open hearth cooking for the tour tomorrow.



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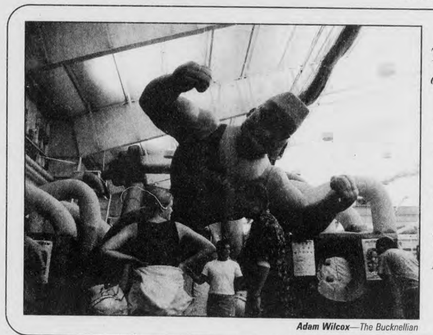
Inside the house at 20 Brown St., Lewisburg House Tour visitors will see the many items collected by the Fenslers on their voyage to exotic places. The tour will be held tomorrow.



Adam Wilcox—The Bucknellian

The Ironman towers over the inflatable obstacle course. This was one of the many activities at Saturday night's BU After Dark. This was the first BU After Dark of the year.

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FEATURES

Investigation into the dangers of antibiotic overuse

By Nate Ivanick
Senior Writer

One of the most serious problems facing the medical world today is antibiotic resistant bacteria. The problem has only recently gained worldwide attention. Despite doctors' best efforts, it is a battle the medical world is losing badly.

In 1996, the World Health Organization (WHO) said, "Too few new drugs are being developed to replace those that have lost their effectiveness. In the race for supremacy, microbes are sprinting ahead."

Tuberculosis, long thought to be a disease of the past, is now rampant in American prisons and inner city slums. To understand the significance of this problem, you must first understand the history of antibiotics and a bit of the science behind antibiotic resistant bacteria.

In 1928, Alexander Fleming changed the course of modern medicine with his discovery of the first antibiotic—penicillin. Fleming accidentally discovered this when he noticed the bacteria would not grow on some of his moldy old bacteria plates. The use of penicillin grew dramatically until it was considered the "wonder drug" of the 1950s, capable of curing anything from a runny nose to aches and pains. Even when scientists began to warn of the potential dangers of penicillin's overuse and proved its inability to fight viruses, such as the common cold, people continued to waste this precious resource.

In the decades following this overuse, doctors began noticing profound changes in the effectiveness of penicillin. Bacterial infections that should have been eliminated by penicillin were no longer affected by it. The world had experienced the first antibiotic resistant bacteria.

Instead of studying how to counteract this problem through different practices, scientists worked to develop more antibiotics. Since then, the story has not changed. Scientists and pharmaceutical companies continue to develop new antibiotics that, within a few years, will be obsolete because bacteria will have gained a resistance to them. Pharmaceutical companies are no longer willing to manufacture antibiotics due to the lack of returns and the expense of developing drugs that will be useless in several years anyway. For those of you who don't believe in evolution, look again, it's staring you in the face.

Today, the overuse and misuse of antibiotics continues despite knowledge of the dangers. Much of the American meat and dairy industries treat their animals with continual low doses of antibiotics—possibly the most harmful practice for building antimicrobial resistance. People repeatedly ask their doctors for antibiotics for aches and pains and for colds and mere viral infections. To make matters worse, many people do not take the entire regimen of antibiotics prescribed, serving to speed along antimicrobial resistance. The question for many people is how bacteria manage to evolve so quickly as to develop such resistance.

Picture this scenario as presented by University of Texas Professor of Biological Sciences Julie Palmer: bacterium can replicate itself into a perfect clone by splitting in half once every 20 minutes. After 40 minutes, one bacteria can have created four bacteria and in one hour, 16 bacteria. This ability for exponential growth means that in eight hours, 16 million bacteria have arisen from that one bacterium. Now picture an antibiotic attacking these bacteria. In the beginning, and almost every time an antibiotic is used, each bacterium is destroyed. Eventually, the antibiotic will encounter a population of bacteria in which one single bacterium, by a freak mutation, is resistant to the antibiotic. By eliminating every bacterium except the one with the mutation, that bacteria will replicate, and in eight hours, it will have created 16 million antibiotic resistant progeny.

To make matters worse, bacteria can transmit the gene for resistance to other bacteria through sexual reproduction with their F plasmid. With such rapid reproduction and ability to transmit their genes, it is no wonder that bacteria have rapidly become resistant to everything we can throw at them. This includes Vancamycin, which was for a long time viewed as our secret weapon against bacterial infection, but is now ineffective against some types of bacteria.

Hope in the fight against antibiotic resistant bacteria may be coming from another enemy of the human race—the virus. While it might seem counterintuitive to treat people who are already ill with viruses, it is important to realize that different viruses infect different organisms. Some viruses, called bacteriophages, infect bacteria only. In principle, bacteriophages have the potential to be as significant in fighting disease as penicillin was in the 1940s and 50s. First, bacteriophages can be administered to humans and livestock without danger, and only the risk of very small side effects.

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Also since viruses can replicate even faster than bacteria, it is that if such methods were employed responsibly, bacteria would have a difficult time gaining resistance. Finally, the prepared virus could be made relatively cheaply and its genome could be changed if antibiotic resistance evolved. Such viruses could be easily shipped and stored, enabling transport and use in developing countries. Such bacteriophage antibiotics are still in the developmental stages in United States. Are these the future of antibiotics?

People disagree as to what role bacteriophages will play in the future of antibiotics. Omar Zalatimo '03, a biochemistry major who has done some research on the subject, believes bacteriophages can be effectively used.

"For the past 50 years, Russia and the Republic of Georgia have used bacteriophages in the same way that people have used antibiotics in the West," Zalatimo said.

In addition, since the bacteriophages used in the former U.S.S.R. come from naturally occurring populations they incur two benefits. First, such drugs are extremely cheap, costing a fraction of U.S. antibiotics. Second, because the viruses occur in naturally occurring populations, they have evolved together with the bacteria, so the bacteria are not resistant to them. Zalatimo also explained that bacteriophages may soon be used to treat people infected with staphylococcus and enterococcus, both of which are resistant to Vancomycin.

Others are more hesitant in their support of bacteriophages. Assistant Professor of Biology Marie Pizzorno outlined some of the problems with the bacteriophages.

"First, the bacteriophages would have to be tailored to target specific pathenogenic [disease causing] bacteria. Next, such viruses would have to be injected into the blood stream because they would be unable to enter the blood by ingestion. Such an injection could cause an immune response, although it would probably be minor," Pizzorno said.

Pizzorno predicted that the use of bacteriophages as antibiotics might have more use for sterilization purposes in hospitals and on surgical equipment.

"While the immediate effects of bacteriophages would be beneficial, I worry about the long-term problems that may arise from the killing of helpful bacteria [such as the bacteria in the large intestine that help us absorb key nutrients] and the possibility of further microbial resistance," said Jeff Cesario '03, a cell biology major.

Whatever the future of antibiotics is, it is clear that with any new advancement must come a profound change in our use of drugs. First, we must change the misuse and overuse of antibiotics by many Americans, including many people on this campus. Do not take antibiotics for a runny nose, it won't help you; it will hurt you. When prescribed antibiotics, you should take the entire prescription, not just part. Next, it is imperative that we practice prevention methods in our hospitals to avoid the spread of such bacteria. Finally, we should avoid the use of products like antibacterial soaps that are equally harmful to the spread of resistant bacteria.

Applying knowledge at Fair

University takes students to Bloomsburg Fair for a hands-on learning experience

By Rachel Gold
Senior Writer

This year many students made their way to the oldest fair in Pennsylvania, the Bloomsburg Fair. Besides the fact that there is enough fried food to fatten up an entire village—pumpkin waffles, Kohr's ice cream, rice pudding, apple dumplings with cinnamon ice cream, bloomin' onions and even deep fried Oreo cookies—the fair has a lot to offer its visitors. Students learned about agriculture and horticulture while enjoying the industrial exhibition buildings, arts and crafts, games, rides and entertainment.

This past Saturday C.A.L.V.I.N. & H.O.B.B.E.S., the substance-free activities group on campus, organized a trip to the fair. Free transportation was offered with only a $4 admission fee. Lina Nandy '04, the publicity chair for C.A.L.V.I.N. & H.O.B.B.E.S., thought the fair was fantastic.

"We had 30 students or so come along, and I think everyone had a really good time," Nandy said.

Having never been to the United States before arriving at the University, Lina had never attended a fair before and did not know what to expect.

"I had no idea the fair was going to be so enormous! It amazed me to see the variety of things they were selling. I've never eaten so much fried food in my life," Nandy said.

Nandy felt that she learned a lot about the culture of central Pennsylvania after attending the Bloomsburg Fair.

"Granted, we did walk around and look at all the cute puppies, lambs, sheep and horses, but as an international student I found the atmosphere and crazy booths that sold things like fried Oreos so fascinating," Nandy said. "There was lots of stuff I'd never even heard of, much less ate! I think I gained about 60 kilos on Saturday from all the fried foods."

Professor of Geography Ben Marsh took his Food and the Environment class to the Bloomsburg Fair last week for its lab.

"I'd never done it before, but I wanted students to get the sense that agriculture is an integral part of community life, not just a job," Marsh said.

Marsh feels the fair, with its agricultural exhibits and displays of rural life, is a time when the community defines itself within a culturally important moment.

"County fairs are the focus of much of the year for farm families. Teenagers show their 4-H projects and other prize animals," Marsh said. "The Bloomsburg Fair gives kids the opportunity to learn about competition, breed standards and meet other kids with the same interests."

Students in Marsh's class participated in a scavenger hunt in which they answered questions regarding the important cultural values and methods used within the agricultural industry of Pennsylvania.

Students observed the pride farmers had in their jobs, farming as a family operation, ongoing selection of productive breeds and strains, the role of government in agriculture, influence of chemical companies, the increased concern for biosecurity and certainly the dominance of high calorie foods.

For some, fried food is just as, if not more, important than agriculture. Marsh has a personal favorite food of the fair.

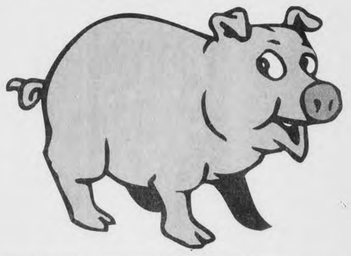
"Funnel cake is, of course, the perfect food. It consists of equal parts sugar, starch and grease," Marsh said.

He further argues his belief on his Pennsylvania Food Texture Analysis Diagram, which can be found on his public space.

For those students who weren't lucky enough to experience the Bloomsburg Fair this year, Marsh sums it up quite vividly.

"You have to love the big stuff. The display of the 2,700-pound ox named Bubba, the world's biggest pig, an enormous rat and Buffo, the strongest clown. The solemn show of dairy cows in the arena was great with the huge poster of steak at the end. The little pigs in the "junior show" raced in circles until their owners snagged a leg and tripped them so they fell into the straw," Marsh said.

"The safety stickers on the display farm equipment showing big cartoons of how arms, legs and eyes could be taken out by the machines, the Mt. Carmel High School band playing their hearts out on a Billy Joel medley to an audience of about 15 people," Marsh said. "The fried-everything stands: apple rings, potatoes (of course), Oreos, dough, an entire onion sliced and fried into a grease-laden rose."



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Abroad perspective: Rome, Italy

By Elisabeth Hulette
Contributing Writer

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The Colosseum, built by the Flavian emperors in the first century AD, was a gift to the Roman citizens. Gladiatorial games and hunts were popular in the now 1,922-year-old amphitheater.

I went abroad and fell in love. With whom, you ask? Say rather with what, for it took an entire city—I fell in love with Rome. The whole city, from the beautiful cathedrals to the classical ruins, from the incredible food to the unbelievable views. The Euro, the lira, the street vendors, the Renaissance art. I fell in love with the Italian people, the Italian culture and the pace of a world so remarkably removed from everything I had ever experienced before.

But it wasn't always this way.

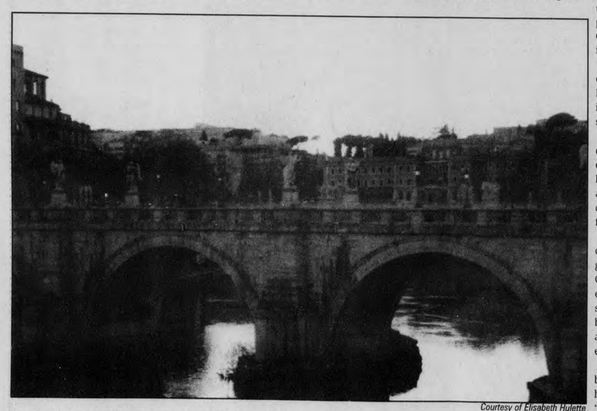
I decided to go to Rome because I am a classics major (for the engineers, that means I take classes in Greek, Latin, archaeology and ancient history). The two study abroad options for a student such as myself are typically Athens or Rome. Athens, I had been told, is a rather frightening city, and so I determined to go to Rome.

I would have the opportunity to visit all the places I had studied in my classes but had never seen for myself. Images of the Roman forum, the Circus Maximus and the Colosseum all mixed in my head along with scenes from "Gladiator" and "Ben Hur," complete with orchestrated soundtrack bites and video clips of sweeping ancient landscapes. After four years of Latin in high school, it was about time I experienced Rome, the Eternal City, with my own eyes.

Unfortunately, I overlooked the part where actual Italian people now live among my ancient ruins. Latin, sure, but Italian? The full impact of my nearly complete ignorance of Italian culture did not truly hit home until I felt my heart freeze at the thought of ordering so much as a sandwich.

Never before had I been in a place where English was not the primary language. I had been warned that this could be difficult, but I never believed it. So what did I do with my terrified, jet lagged, American heart? Yes, I cried. More specifically, I cried over a collect call to my parents at 2 in the morning. The later financial consequences of this were not pretty.

Things began to improve the next day with the start of orientation. Yes, I was a stranger in a strange land.



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The Ponte San Angelo, made in the second century B.C., is lined with 10 angel statues made by Bernini in 1669.

But like our esteemed dean told us over and over again, we were study abroad students and as such we had to be tough and flexible. I could do that, right? So I leapt into orientation with renewed spirits.

Good thing, too, because orientation was a lot of fun—a whirlwind tour of everything Italian. We were given lessons in how to cook with true Italian finesse and how to match wines with food. Our Italian professor gave a presentation on Italian culture (for the girls, also known as Lessons In How To Evade Overenthusiastic Italian Boys).

The art history professor, a classical archaeologist from Belgium, took us on The Wall Walk, an eight-hour, 13-mile hike around the entire ancient wall of Rome, complete with history lessons from 2,500 years of Roman blood and glory.

The best part of orientation came at the end, when the whole school made a two-hour trek by bus to the hilltop town of Todi, located in the Tuscan countryside. Many of you may recall Todi as the set for Franco Zeffirelli's film version of "Romeo and Juliet," the one from the '60s that is most often shown to sleepy high school English students. We were allowed to explore the gorgeous medieval sites of Todi, and were then taken to a castle overlooking the city for a traditional five-hour Italian meal. My vegetarianism went straight out the window and I began to think, Italians aren't so bad.

Aha, therein lies my second mistake. As classes began, I started feeling more at home in the city. I knew how to get to school and how to ride the metro system. I had started learning a handful of Italian phrases in my Italian class and I was less afraid of the inhabitants of the city.

I became too trusting too soon, and despite the warnings I had heard from previous study abroad students, I started carrying my wallet in my backpack. Everyone else in my program was doing the same, but somehow I was among the first to have my wallet stolen right off my back—somewhere between the metro station and my flat.

I lost about 150 Euro, both my credit cards, my BU ID, my international student identity card [ISIC] and a Nine West wallet that I really liked. Fits of tears followed, and since there was no one else around, they were directed at Fabrizio the doorman, who comforted me as best he could. "Doan worry, eez only money," he said.

Getting back on my feet from that was quite a challenge—trips to the American Express office followed, along with the filing of a police report in a scary building guarded by huge Italian guys in uniform. I had to get a new ISIC from the student travel office, and had to cancel and replace my debit card through a phone system where I couldn't use 800 numbers. Oddly enough, once I had almost everything straightened out, I began to feel somewhat empowered. Resourceful. After that, I could handle anything.

Armed with a money belt that strapped my passport and credit cards around my waist, I ventured out into the city. The Vatican was the first stop on my list, and believe me when I say that stepping into Saint Peter's basilica for the first time was an awe-inspiring experience.

Under the colossal dome of the cathedral I found Michelangelo's sculpture of the Pieta (straight out of my Art History 102 textbook) along with marble sculpture after marble sculpture and tombs of Catholic popes, several of whom are currently bronzed and lying in glass boxes.

I walked through the Roman Forum and stood in front of the Curia (senate house) where Cicero delivered the very same speech I had translated in Latin 201 the previous semester. I stood exactly under the oculus of the concrete dome in the Pantheon, and believe me, it was infatuation at first sight.

I circled the Colosseum, put my hand in the Mouth of Truth, ran through the Circus Maximus, walked under the Arch of Constantine and photographed the Baths of Caracalla—and it was all just as I had imagined it would be.

Then I began to see another side of Rome. There was much more in Italy's capital than I had ever realized, and a piece at a time the city slowly let me in.

Trionfale Market was located just down the street from my apartment complex, and once I learned my Italian numbers I was able to put up a good-natured fight with the vendors over fruit, pasta, vegetables and flowers.

When Rome began to win at soccer I realized how crazy the Italians get about their teams (think of Quidditch in "Harry Potter"), and for every game the city was packed with spectators while maroon and orange banners sporting S.P.Q.R. (the senate and the people of Rome) hung from every window.

My favorite part of the city became not the ancient quarter as I had anticipated, but Trastevere, the "medieval" section whose inhabitants fiercely defend their standing as the last true Romans. Here I found the most charming winding streets, the friendliest people and the best restaurants in the entire city, as well as the church, Santa Maria in Trastevere which had the most incredible mosaics.

The best part of the city was in a spot many people never even see. There is a part of the Villa Borghese park that overlooks the Piazza del Popolo (plaza of the people), which is a beautiful open space in its own right. From this overlook, there is a view of the entire city where the sun sets directly opposite where you stand.

I had never seen anything so beautiful as the domes and terracotta roofs of the city as they glow in the late sun, and I doubt I ever will. Love? Oh, yes—swept off my feet and completely infatuated. I was hooked.

I learned a few things as well. No matter where you are or what you are buying, Romans always demand exact change. I believe this is because of their dislike for the many small coins of the Euro system, and so every person who you deal with will roll their eyes at you in the same way if you don't have change, and grin at you in the same way if you do.

A poor economy somehow leads directly to public displays of affection, and since most young adults in Rome are still living at home at the age of 35, romantic encounters take to the streets. This took some getting used to, as did the use of military time (this one baffled my underdeveloped math skills for quite awhile).

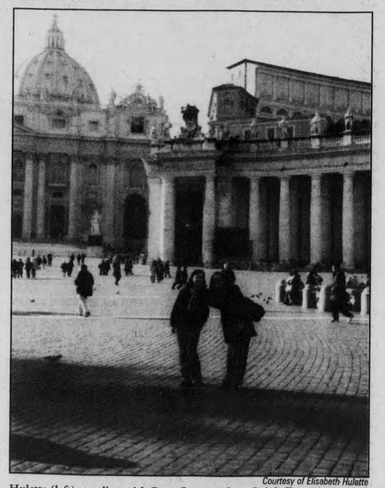
Just because a given public bus will take you quickly and efficiently from one place to another does not mean it will do the same in the opposite direction. I learned this the hard way, by riding the same bus for an hour and a half when I expected it to take 10 minutes. Also, you should never expect to accomplish anything between noon and 3 or 4 p.m.—the entire country will be napping.

It is true that the Italians enjoy life more than we do. Their pace of life is slower, their appreciation for good food, wine and conversation is greater and when things don't run as efficiently as they could, it just means someone somewhere is stopping to enjoy the sweet life.

The street vendors who sell *The Wall Street Journal Europe*, the shopkeepers who practically attack you while trying to make a sale, the accordion players who periodically invade your subway car and the Italian boys who can instinctively sense a girl is American from miles away all took some getting used to, but they have all infiltrated my heart in their own ways. And I never saw it coming.

I did travel during and after the semester in Western Europe, Eastern Europe, and the United Kingdom. Six countries, more than 20 cities, five foreign languages and I still tell anyone who asks that Rome was the best place I visited while abroad.

Rome and I, we took our time in getting to know each other. Over long walks, getting lost and finding my way, we bonded. And I like to think Rome loves me, too.



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Hulette (left) standing with Penn State student, Leigh Zanetti, in Piazza San Pietro, a public square to the Apostle St. Peter.

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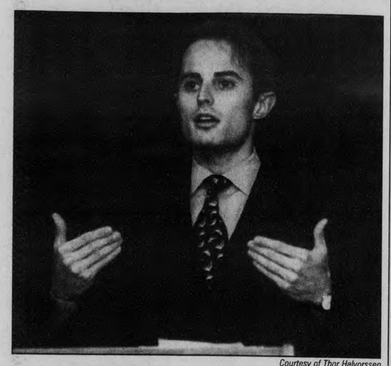

Courtesy of Thor Halvorssen

Thor Halvorssen, the executive director of the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education (FIRE), will be speaking for free on campus Oct. 24. The University refused to fund the conservative speaker.

By Rachel Laskow
Editor-in-Chief

Executive Director of the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education (FIRE) Thor Halvorssen was scheduled to speak at the University on Oct. 24, using money appropriated to the Conservatives Club from the Student Activity Fee. He will now be addressing the campus for free because the University would not approve the funding.

The Conservatives Club received money from the Bucknell Student Government (BSG) to fund Halvorssen, but when the Conservatives Club asked the University to approve the speaker, it was denied approval. General Counsel Wayne Bromfield reviewed the Conservatives Club's proposal and recommended that payment be disapproved and the President's Staff approved that recommendation.

According to BSG President Amir Sadaghiani '03, all organizations on campus must get approval from the University before any speaker can come to campus.

Bromfield said the University received a letter from FIRE that the University interpreted as a threat of lawsuit. The letter was regarding a University incident last spring in which a student was accused of biased-related harassment.

"In early August, we received correspondence from FIRE. That letter threatened the use of legal resources to challenge and attempt to overturn a decision of Bucknell's Community Judicial Board (CJB)," Bromfield said.

According to Greg Lukianoff, director of legal and public advocacy of FIRE, FIRE did not threaten to sue.

"This situation is made completely absurd by the fact that we, as an organization, do not sue anyone. It is true that members of our legal network are interested in the case but those are independent, pro bono attorneys and would ultimately be responsible for handling any litigation themselves," Lukianoff said.

Although Lukianoff said that FIRE does not sue, Dean of Students Richard Ferraro says the University does not fund people who threaten to sue the University.

"Our refusal to allow funding of his speech was based on the principle

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Athletics center opening in phases

Fitness center generates rave reviews, with pool and natatorium to open soon

By Andrew Burr
News Editor

With last Friday's opening of the fitness center, and plans for the pool and natatorium to open later this month, a new age in University athletics facilities has begun.

"We are excited to have been able to bring the new fitness center portion of the Recreation and Athletics Center (RAC) project on-line this fall semester as promised to the campus community," Athletic Director John Hardt said. "Having been involved with the RAC from the project's initial design stages, it's very exciting and gratifying to see the ideas and concepts for this facility become an active, functioning reality with the opening of the fitness center. The overall quality of the new fitness facility is first rate, and the initial feedback from both the campus and community has been

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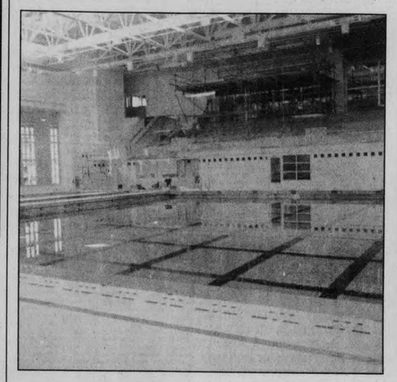

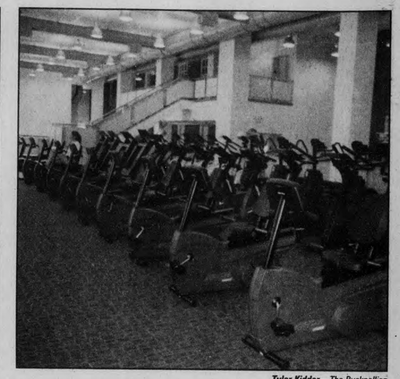

Tyler Kidder—*The Bucknellian*

Slated to open at the end of this month, the new pool is a big reason why Athletic Director John Hardt believes the University has gone from the bottom of the Patriot League, in terms of athletic facilities, all the way to the top. Right: Part of the new fitness center already open to the community.

Ad brews controversy among college newspapers

PETA targets universities with campaign claiming beer more nutritious than milk

By Sandi-Jo Galati
News Editor

People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) has recently targeted college newspapers nationwide with its advertising campaign entitled "Got … Beer?!"

The organization has reportedly targeted the top 10 party and stone-cold sober universities, as ranked by "The Princeton Review," opening a can of worms among university newspapers.

"I love controversial advertising: somebody actually paying a newspaper to do what we're supposed to do—stir up trouble," said John Wilson, adviser to *The Indy*, the student newspaper of Illinois State University.

Editorial boards are continually challenged with such controversial issues forcing college publications to weigh their journalistic right to freedom of press versus the ethical implications surrounding the issue in question.

"I think it's just judgment and experience that proves to be successful in dealing with these situations," said Pete Van Emburgh '02, a former editor-in-chief of *The Bucknellian*. "One typically has to examine whether a certain ad or article is potentially offensive, that certainly draws a clear line of ethics."

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When the first *"Got … Beer?!"* campaign kicked off in March 2000, the public uproar led by Mothers Against Drunk Driving and dairy farmers prompted PETA to remove these ads from the public within days.

PETA objects to milk consumption because of forced pregnancies, genetic treatment and hormone infusion techniques that dairy farmers use to enhance milk production of cattle.

The ads displayed a beer bottle and the slogan "Got … Beer?! Better

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COMMUNITY UNITES TO STOP THE HATE

Tyler Kidder—*The Bucknellian*

University students and community members joined outside the Langone Center on Monday evening for the fourth annual Stop the Hate march. The group then walked to Hufnagle Park, where several speakers addressed the crowd about celebrating diversity and promoting peace.

University celebrates 10th National Coming Out Day

By Alyson Walker
Features Editor

National Coming Out Day is being celebrated throughout not only the University but other campuses, churches and businesses around the nation. This year, the Office of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Awareness (LGBT), a programming office under the deans of students, will host "High Tea, High Camp, A Wilde Buffet," in conjunction with the Weis Center Performance Series presentation of Oscar Wilde's "The Importance of Being Earnest."

Tickets are $14 for students and $20 for the public and includes dinner prior to the play, a ticket to the performance and dessert afterwards. The dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. in Walls Lounge. Reservations are required and, according to Fran McDaniel, coordinator of the Office of LGBT Awareness, the response rate has been incredible, with very few tickets remaining to the dinner.

"I think this event will be very successful, especially thanks to the help of Committee on Campus Diversity and Tim Tenon of Dining Services by underwriting the event," McDaniel said.

"The Importance of Being Earnest" was a fortunate scheduling by the Weis Center.

"Although unplanned, it was wonderfully appropriate that a play written by gay playwright Oscar Wilde was scheduled in the Weis Center Series to be performed on National Coming Out Day," McDaniel said. "We had to do something special and it's going to be a great evening."

The comedy is about two characters, Jack Worthing and Algernon Moncrieff, who have created imaginary companions to add excitement to their lives. These companions then cause turmoil in their romantic lives.

> *"Homophobia is a nightmare from which our culture is slowly beginning to awaken. When we are fully awake, we will discover that we are all liberated as a result."*
> —***John Hunter****, assistant professor of comparative humanities*

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Public Safety Log

Wednesday, Oct. 2

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) threw eggs on his vehicle while it was parked on Seventh Street across from the Farm Lot. The incident is under investigation.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—A student reported to a Public Safety that unknown person(s) threw eggs on his vehicle while it was parked in the lot behind the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity. The incident is under investigation.

INDECENT EXPOSURE—A student reported to Public Safety that a male was sitting on a walk way bench between the Gateways and Loomis Street masturbating. No suspects could be located in a search of the area. Lewisburg Police were contacted. A Public Safety alert was issued. The incident is under investigation.

Thursday, Oct. 3

UNDERAGE DRINKING / PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS / THEFT / DISORDERLY CONDUCT / FAILURE TO IDENTIFY ONESELF—While on routine patrol, Public Safety stopped a male walking with a staggered gait and carrying a folding chair in front of Smith Hall. When the male would not identify himself, the Lewisburg Police Department (LPD) was contacted and responded. LPD arraigned the male as a "John Doe" in front of the duty magistrate and subsequently committed him to the Snyder County Jail. He was later identified as a student under the age of 21, who had consumed alcohol. He was cited for disorderly conduct, failure to identify oneself, theft, underage drinking and public drunkenness.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student contacted Public Safety and requested transportation to Evangelical Hospital Emergency Room for treatment of a possible kidney infection. A Student Health Services driver responded and transported the student to the hospital. The individual later returned to campus.

Saturday, Oct. 5

VANDALISM—Public Safety responded to Newman House for the report of vandalism to the building. A piece of spouting was found on the ground at the rear of the house. The spouting was replaced and a work order filed to secure it. No witnesses or suspects were located in a search of the area.

INDECENT ACTS—Public Safety reported to the corner of Walker and Loomis Streets for the report of a male and female inside a truck engaged in sexual acts. The vehicle left as the student was contacting Public Safety. Lewisburg Police were notified. No suspects were located in a search of the area.

MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT—Public Safety responded to Spratt House for the report of a vehicle damaged while parked in the lot. A message had been left on the windshield of the damaged vehicle.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT / UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—Public Safety responded to Seventh Street near the Langone Center for the report of a male lying in the street. Upon investigation, it was determined that the male was a student who was diabetic, had consumed alcohol and was in need of medical treatment. The student was transported by ambulance to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment and later returned to campus.

Sunday, Oct. 6

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—Public Safety responded to Roberts Hall regarding a person with a hand laceration. Upon investigation, it was determined that a student had punched through a window causing a severe laceration to his right hand. The individual was transported by ambulance to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment and later returned to campus. Citations were issued for property violations and creating a hazardous condition.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT / UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—While on routine patrol on Fraternity Road, Public Safety met with brothers from Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity who reported that a male had struck another male at the house and was running towards Delta Upsilon Fraternity. Public Safety located the individual and identified him as a student. The student was cited for disorderly conduct and underage consumption. East Buffalo Township Police responded.

Monday, Oct. 7

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—A student reported to Public Safety that someone scratched the passenger door of his vehicle while it was parked on campus either at Swartz Hall or in the new student parking area near Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity. The incident is under investigation.

INFORMATION—A student reported to Public Safety that a sign was posted on her Smith Hall room door that advertised a Klan meeting. A student did admit to posting the sign as a joke. University officials are following up.

Tuesday, Oct. 8

FRATERNITY VIOLATION / UNREGISTERED SOCIAL EVENT—While on routine foot patrol, Public Safety observed loud music and the odor of alcohol coming from the basement of Delta Upsilon Fraternity. Public Safety spoke with the house president and was permitted to access the basement, where approximately 45 individuals were mingling with many empty beer cans present. As Public Safety attempted to exit the fraternity house, a male, later identified as a student, spoke disrespectfully to a Public Safety officer. A citation was issued for an unregistered social event with beer pong violations.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student contacted Public Safety and requested transportation to Evangelical Community Hospital for treatment of an allergic reaction to a flu shot. A Student Health Services driver transported the student and later returned her to campus.

Fall concert falls silent

University devoting resources to spring show in new pavilion

By Jolene Hart
Managing Editor

It appears that the University will forego its annual fall concert, with the hope of arranging a spectacular event to be held in the new athletic center during the spring semester.

Associate Dean of Students Kari Conrad, adviser of the University's concert committee, explained that the elimination of the fall concert is not definite, though no performance opportunities have presented themselves so far.

"Bids have been put in. We're not 100 percent sure. We [the Concert Committee] decided that, if we cannot get an artist that is really good, we want to save money for a spring concert in the new athletic pavilion," Conrad said.

Many students speculated that Fall Fest, featuring Howie Day, was substituted for the annual concert, though Conrad assured that is not the case.

"The concert committee co-sponsored Fall Fest, contributing some of its funds, because we were interested in an outdoor event," Conrad said.

The Concert Committee is enthusiastic about the opening of the new athletic center, as the facility will better accommodate future concerts. Conrad cited the improved acoustics and seating as fundamental benefits of the new venue. Concert Committee co-chairperson Perry Ratcliffe '03 said, "It's going to be an amazing venue. There will be seating as well as standing room with the option of seats on the floor. We want our spring concert to be a great opener for the new venue."

Although the Fieldhouse has a capacity of 4,500 people, which is 500 more than the facility currently under construction, it is flawed in several important areas. The Fieldhouse does not have the means to 'fly,' or suspend, sound and lighting equipment from above a stage, and has required a much more expensive construction of equipment to accommodate artists such as Shaggy and Busta Rhymes.

Past concerts have not been profitable, most often yielding a significant loss of funds.

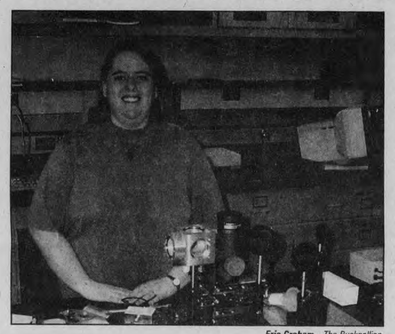
"Due to our enormous production and labor costs, our goal is to break even," Conrad said.

In the past, the committee has also struggled with the limited availability of the Fieldhouse, which is used for a wide range of events. This severely limits the number of artists that can possibly be booked by the committee. The hope is that the new venue will alleviate many of these obstacles.

The spring concert has not yet been selected, and the Concert Committee, though having recently completed a campus e-mail survey, is still taking suggestions for possible artists.

Professor receives research grant

Professor of Chemistry Castle given 20K for experiments



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Assistant Professor of Chemistry Karen Castle was given a $20,000 grant by the Camille and Henry Dreyfus Foundation for research experiments at the University. Grants were given to only nine of 62 nominees this year.

By Aly Rentrop
Senior Writer

Assistant Professor of Chemistry Karen Castle recently received a $20,000 grant from the Camille and Henry Dreyfus Foundation. Grants are awarded to first-year faculty members at undergraduate institutions. Nine professors out 62 nominees nationwide were given grants, which will be utilized to fund the laboratory equipment and the high start-up costs of Castle's research experiment. In addition to the Dreyfus grant, the project is funded by start-up funds from the University and a grant from NASA's Geospace Sciences program.

Castle's research includes laser spectroscopy, atmospheric chemistry and aeronomy, the study of Earth's atmosphere and other planets. Her present research project measures vibrational energy transfer in collisions between carbon dioxide molecules and oxygen atoms, and this experiment is being done in conjunction with the Air Force Research Laboratory. Castle currently has two research students involved in this project, Katie Kleissas '04 and Betsy Staudt '04.

"I think that this research is interesting because it deals with real chemistry in the atmospheric environment. Our data will help others when dealing with the heating and cooling of the upper atmosphere and it will be fun to use lasers in the experiment," Kleissas said.

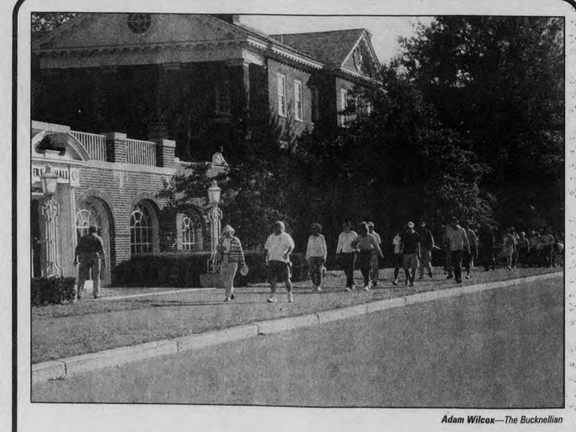
Castle received her undergraduate degree in chemistry from the University of California at Irvine, and she obtained her doctorate in physical chemistry from Oregon State University. Before beginning her career at the University this fall, Castle did postdoctoral research with the Air Force Research Laboratory, Space Vehicles Directorate in the Boston area.

Her research with the Air Force is similar to what she is currently working on at the University.

The lasers used in this diode laser absorption spectroscopy are scheduled to arrive next week. Castle encourages any undergraduate students who are interested in doing research in laser spectroscopy and atmospheric chemistry to contact her. Research opportunities are available during both the academic year and during the summer.

Castle is currently teaching inorganic chemistry during the fall semester and will be teaching physical chemistry in the spring.

"In my short time here at Bucknell, I have been impressed with the quality of our students and their interest in learning," Castle said.



Adam Wilcox—The Bucknellian

Students and parents walk in front of Frees Hall during Parents Weekend. Throughout the weekend, special events, such as open houses, Christy's and a golf tournament were held.

LGBT

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The performance will be by The Aquila Theatre Company.

The Office of LGBT Awareness, in conjunction with Friends of Lesbians and Gays & Bisexuals, Transgenders (FLAG & BT), a student organization funded by Bucknell Student Government, will also be holding another National Coming Out Day event. The LGBT Walk-in Closet will be from 12-2 p.m. in the LC Forum.

Its purpose is to provide people with an experience of what it is like for those who are in the closet. One of the goals of this program is to provide understanding and to combat the climate on campus, making it safer for people to come out.

"When people can't say who they went to the movies with, that's sad," McDaniel said.

McDaniel also emphasized that it is an individual's orientation, not behavior that makes them LGBT.

"I am proud to support Coming Out Day because the freedom to express one's sexuality seems to me to be a basic human right and it is an undeniable fact that gays and lesbians suffer discrimination and abuse solely on the basis of their sexuality," Assistant Professor of the Comparative Humanities Program John Hunter said. "This is as cruel and unjust as discrimination based on race or gender or any other arbitrary criterion, and is a sign of our culture's ongoing inability to deal with genuine difference."

Along with the programs for National Coming Out Day, there is a list of over 200 faculty and staff who are supporters of LGBT students.

"The list of supporting faculty and staff was a contributing factor last year in two first-year students deciding not to transfer from the University because they saw the list and realized that someone did care," McDaniel said.

The list is another attempt to make the campus environment more conducive to students coming out of the closet.

"I have seen and felt the effects that ignorance has had on people very important to me and constantly wonder how anyone could possibly gain from making people different from them feel less than or fearful or unable to fully realize themselves," Assistant Director of Admissions Paula Cogan said. "It seems like this type of support should be a given, but it's not and that's hard to swallow. This isn't the sole responsibility of the LGBT community, but the responsibility of the entire community. If there's any way that my support can be a small help to even one person, then of course I'm going to show it."

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*—**Paula Cogan**, assistant director of admissions*

McDaniel said that the physical signs of support, such as the list, safe zone signs and Public Safety posters about harassment are all incredibly important to the LGBT community feeling safe and welcome.

"Everyone should have an opportunity to reach his or her full potential without hindrance, harassment or fear for one's safety. Narrow-minded prejudice should have no place here," Professor of Biology Gary Sojka said.

Some of the faculty and staff on the LGBT support list for National Coming Out Day feel that being on this list is only natural and a privilege.

"It's important to me that all students feel supported and welcomed at Bucknell and I want all students to feel comfortable coming in to talk to me. In an atmosphere of acceptance, students can feel free to be who they are, and sexuality is one part of our identity," Associate Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences Elaine Garrett said.

"I am also proud to support Coming Out Day because it is a way to express my solidarity with all of the gay and lesbian friends, colleagues and teachers whom I have known over the years," Hunter said. "Homophobia is a nightmare from which our culture is slowly beginning to awaken. When we are fully awake, we will discover that we are all liberated as a result."

This will be the 10th year that the University has celebrated National Coming Out Day. It is always on Oct. 11 to honor the anniversary of the 1987 march on Washington, D.C. for gay and lesbian equality.

News

Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society proves campus presence with scholarship opportunities and activities

By Chris Styers
Senior Writer

The National Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society (ALD) announced it would award 23 graduate fellowships for 2003-2004. Members pursuing graduate or professional studies can apply for these scholarships, ranging from $3,000 to $7,500. Just as steps to improve education opportunities increase on the national level, the local chapter of ALD is trying to enrich the academic and social experience of ALD members on campus.

ALD is a national honor society that recognizes and encourages academic excellence for first-year students. There are over 230 chapters of ALD in the United States and more than 650,000 students have been inducted since the organization's conception in 1924.

The purpose of the society, as stated in its constitution, is "to encourage superior academic achievement among students in their first year in institutions of higher education, to promote intelligent living and a continued high standard of learning and to assist women and men in recognizing and developing meaningful goals for their roles in society."

To become a member of the society, first-year students must earn a scholastic average of 3.5 or better. Once they join the organization they are lifetime members. Membership in the society enables students to apply for scholarships made possible through the organization's Perpetual Fellowship Fund.

Receiving one of these scholarships is very difficult due to their highly selective and competitive nature. Last year, several University students went through the application process, but without success.

Information on the ALD Web site states "In 2002, there were 287 applicants for the 23 Alpha Lambda Delta Fellowships. The most important quality was the impact that these winners had and the potential for their futures. Fellowship winners tended to be very active in ALD and other campus organizations. Over 40 percent of the winners held an ALD campus office. Additionally, although these are not cut-off scores, the average undergraduate GPA of the 23 winners was 3.95, and their test scores tended to be above the 90th percentile."

In past years, ALD has not been very active at the University. Many of the fellowship winners have come from active ALD programs, and in many institutions ALD's presence is strong. Campus ALD members concluded they wanted to change the organization's role in the campus community and make it more involved.

"Last year we decided we wanted ALD to be more active on campus and in the community," 2002 ALD Chapter President Jessica Clark '04 said.

Although last year's organization did not have a lot of participation, the organization did send out study tips to the first-year class before finals, held a study break at the library with food and drink for the entire campus during finals week and sent a list to local high schools of University students who were willing to tutor.

"In the past, ALD has mostly been inactive, but last year's group decided to organize some activities and try to raise the organization's profile on campus," said Associate Dean of Arts and Sciences Elaine Garrett, one of the advisers to ALD.

Clark and others hope that the organization will continue to grow this year. ALD is currently in the process of selecting new officers and Clark said the number of students striving for leadership positions is already encouraging. Plans are still in the works for what the organization will try to do this year and in its future.

"As Bucknell gets more involved in service learning and volunteerism, I think that ALD will have an increasingly important role to play," Dean of Students and ALD Adviser Richard Ferraro said.

ALD is holding its first interest meeting on Sunday night to try to get a better idea of what the group intends to accomplish. In several weeks, Clark plans to travel to Indianapolis to attend the ALD National Leadership Workshop to come up with even more ideas for the University's ALD chapter.

Breast self-exams come under fire

Study says detection comes too late to reduce risk of cancer

By Jaclyn Carr
Staff Writer

Within the last two weeks, a study has revealed that self-examination probably does not help in the detection of breast cancer. A decade-long study of 260,000 women in Shanghai shows how self-exams do not detect tumors early enough to reduce the risk of death from breast cancer.

Breast self-examinations were previously thought of as a beneficial procedure, where women periodically search for a thickening or a lump that may signal cancer. Self-exams had an important role in developing countries where mammographic screening is not available.

The study that appeared two Wednesdays ago in the "Journal of the National Cancer Institute" suggests that physicians should concentrate more on clinical exams than on self-exams.

In the study, 260,000 female Shanghai women factory workers were split into two groups. Women in one group of 133,000 were taught to perform self-examinations, while the other 133,000 received no information about searching for breast cancer.

Dr. David B. Thomas, a cancer researcher at the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center in Seattle, found that after more than a decade the researchers discovered there was no difference between the two groups in the rate of death from breast cancer. There were women who found benign lumps due to a self-exam, but the self-exam did not reduce the rate of breast cancer.

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*—**Dr. Don Stechschulte**, director of Student Health Services*

Even though the study appears legitimate and accurate, people are still doubtful and the debate carries on.

"I think it is still valid and does work and I would rather have women continue using self-exams, for every little bit helps," Assistant Professor of Biology Josef Novak said.

Statistics show that this little bit is needed. If a lump is detected early, the five-year survival rate exceeds 95 percent.

"I feel that BSE [breast self-exams] combined with regular exams and mammography as practiced here in the States is still the best option at present," Director of Student Health Services Dr. Don Stechschulte said.

Doctors recommend that women start getting mammograms when they are 40, so self-exams remain an excellent option for younger women.

Statistics show that breast cancer is still a prevalent problem for both women and men. Each year, 182,000 women and 1,600 men are diagnosed with breast cancer and 43,300 women and 400 men die from it. One woman in eight either has or will develop breast cancer in her lifetime.

"The area that warrants further investigation is what effect do environmental factors play in the etiology of breast cancer," Stechschulte said. "Why are certain chemicals like dioxin found in the breast tissue of women with cancer compared to women who do not have cancer? For too long we have bet the ranch on early detection, not the investigation of what may be causing this condition."

RAC

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very complimentary."

Student reactions have been very favorable so far, with only a few minor complaints.

"Although the RAC is still missing free weights, the new gym is so much better the old annex. There's a lot more cardio machines to use and the hammer strengths are great," Warren Long '03 said.

"I really like how they have TVs set up so that you can listen to them on your walkman while you workout, but I wish the TVs were set to better stations," Chase Carpenter '04 said. "Other than that, I'm really impressed with the gym and I think Bucknell is doing a great job."

Hardt reminds the campus that although facets of the RAC are currently open or close to be being opened, ongoing construction on several major components of the RAC may present inconveniences to patrons this semester and early next semester.

"These major project components include bringing the new natatorium and swimming pool online later this month, and then opening the new Pavilion in January at the start of the spring semester," Hardt said. "In addition, we will progressively open other areas of the facility (e.g., locker rooms, offices, the strength & weight training room, etc.) as soon as construction is completed."

Dr. Patch Adams returning to campus for third time

Courtesy of Bucknellian Archives

Dr. Hunter Adams, the revolutionary doctor on which the feature film "Patch Adams" is based, will be speaking on campus Oct. 29 at Rooke Chapel. A student favorite, Adams has visited the University every two years since his initial visit in 1996.

By Meghan Fox
Staff Writer

Dr. Hunter "Patch" Adams, the man portrayed by Robin Williams in the Hollywood drama "Patch Adams," is coming to campus on Oct. 29 to share his philosophy, dreams and experience in the field of medicine.

During his years in medical school, Adams envisioned a medical system that addressed the problems of care delivery. He wanted to create a hospital where health care would be free to all patients, where the doctor/patient relationship was revived to an intimate friendship and where all healing arts were welcome to treat both the body and the soul.

"I think his approach is pretty important. It treats the person rather than just the disease and there is a focus on prevention, which is also extremely important," said Alyssa Bishop '04, a pre-med student. *"I am incredibly excited about hearing* him speak. I've been set on being a doctor since day one, so I think he has a very valuable perspective."

Dr. Donald Stechschulte, medical director of Student Health Services, is organizing Adams' upcoming visit, and has coordinated Adam's past three visits to campus. Adams has come to the University every two years since 1996.

"Now, the first time he came was for three days; that is 72 hours. He was engaged with students for 60 hours. When he comes, he is busy with students every minute of the day," Stechschulte said.

According to Stechschulte, Adams is "back by popular student demand." He will be visiting as many classrooms as possible, and will be speaking with the Science and Technology Residential College.

That evening at 7 p.m., Adams will speak at Rooke Chapel, which will be followed by a book signing. Sigma Chi Fraternity will also host this guest speaker in a free forum at 10 p.m.

"Health care is a major issue in our society today and Patch Adams has a singular and emphatic philosophy on both the administration and practice of health care which many consider unorthodox," Professor of Biology John Tonzetich said. "Speakers such as Adams provide a valuable opportunity to hear these different perspectives firsthand and challenge students to determine what positive values might be inherent in a seemingly radical point of view."

Adams is the founder and director of the Gesundheit Institute, a project spanning more than three decades in order to create a hospital/healing community that fully embodies his medical philosophy.

Funding has been a major obstacle in the attainment of this dream. Since Adams does not believe in malpractice insurance on principle, very few people have been financially supportive of his project along the way. Many potential investors are afraid that the money would be a waste due to the likelihood of a lawsuit against the hospital.

"Patch would say, 'You don't sue your friends and if I am your doctor, I want to be your friend,'" Stechschulte said.

"I've paid to practice medicine for 29 years. I say that to tell you just how much fun it is to give," Adams said during his 2000 visit to campus.

Adams has not actively practiced medicine since the late '80s, Stechschulte said. Instead, Adams has been traveling around the world brining joy and humor to the suffering and oppressed.

Adams has visited the orphanages in Russia, the war zones in Bosnia and numerous other poverty-stricken nations, bringing his clowns and his comedy to lift the spirits of others.

"He is always outrageously dressed," Stechschulte said. "He makes you smile just looking at him."

"Not only is Adams a doctor, but also a political activist.

"He engages people no mater where he is an his ways are infectious. He has a message of peace, brotherhood, joy, curiosity and he spends his whole life living that message," Stechschulte said.

PETA

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Than Milk. Find Out More at MilkSucks.com." In their advertisements, PETA claimed that beer was more nutritious than 2 percent milk, having fewer calories, less fat, less sodium and cholesterol, citing the United States Department of Agriculture Nutritional Information for both.

The PETA campaign was revived last month after a two-year absence in response to mounting evidence that this claim is true.

An article printed by *The Wall Street Journal* in August said that beer "delivers protection against major ailments such as heart attacks, stroke, hypertension, diabetes and dementia."

Additionally "Eat, Drink and Be Healthy: The Harvard Medical School's Guide to Healthy Eating" (2001), reported that consuming alcohol in moderation "protects against heart disease and ischemic strokes, and mounting evidence [shows] that it protects against diabetes and gallstones."

According to *The New York Times*, after the age of weaning, the lactase gene in humans is no longer transcribed, meaning that the body is incapable of breaking down lactose, the principle sugar in milk.

Milk and cheese consumption are also linked to obesity, heart disease, prostate cancer, breast cancer and osteoporosis, since excess dairy proteins tend to strip calcium from healthy bones.

Despite the biological evidence that refutes the old adage of the healthfulness of milk, the ethics of advocating beer in its place has the potential to stir the debate of whether or not the ad promotes irresponsible or underaged college drinking.

The Daily Collegion, Penn State's morning newspaper, made the decision to run the ad in conjunction with an article and has since received no backlash.

"The business manager, who is the final authority on this matter, alerted us in advance that the ad would be running and who would be speaking on behalf of the newspaper if there were any questions," said Gerry Lynn Hamilton, general manager of *The Daily Collegion*. "As far as I know, there is no uproar so far."

Other newspapers are more cautious, having learned the hard way the expectations a community places on the editorial board of its paper.

Two years ago, college newspapers were bombarded with an ad sponsored by the Committee for Open Debate on the Holocaust (CODOH), claiming that there was no proof that gas chambers were used for race-related executions in Nazi concentration camps.

The Bucknellian inadvertently published the CODOH ad on Nov. 2, 2000. The ad was overlooked and printed due to a miscommunication between ad representatives and the editorial board, which was preoccupied with ensuring a smooth transition to completely digital production. *The Bucknellian* was one of two papers to print the ad, an oversight that infuriated and offended many members of the community.

In response to the overwhelming campus-vide response to the ad, Co-Editors-in-Chief Van Emburgh and Heather Napolitano '01 sent a campus-wide e-mail stating that "the inclusion of this outrageous advertisement was in no way a movement to support free speech nor was it, of course, in support of such a horrific claim," but the damage had already been done.

"My personal belief and experiences have caused me to believe that the correlation between free speech and a college campus share a very fine border," Van Emburgh said. "I don't think a college newspaper shares the same immunity privilege that national publications enjoy in regards to free speech because of a lot of complex political issues."

Van Emburgh and Napolitano also wrote a front-page article and devoted the entire Opinions section of the following edition to letters written by members of the community in response to the ad.

"The Holocaust crisis was extremely trying and taxing—but in the long run, I will always look back in a positive light on my experiences and how we handled it and the lessons I learned from the experience," Van Emburgh said.

Despite the efforts of Van Emburgh and Napolitano, this experience has heightened the sensitivity of *The Bucknellian* in similar issues such as the PETA ad. Van Emburgh said that had he been faced with the decision whether or not to run the ad, he probably would have decided on the latter.

"The PETA ad seems controversial in the fact that they are targeting college students with the notion of alcohol. This comes awfully close to the fine line of what is considered free speech, an accusation we received about the Holocaust ad," Van Emburgh said. "Many people thought we purposefully included that ad in order to make a statement about free speech."

Wilson suggests that making such decisions is where the responsibility of the editorial board lies.

"Whatever you do, you have an obligation to write an editorial explaining it to your readers," Wilson said. "If you run ads from bars, it might seem odd to bar an ad for advocating beer drinking. If it's the anti-milk part that's the problem, you need to explain that, too."

The Editorial Board of *The Bucknellian* makes decisions based on the content of the newspaper.

"When a controversial issue arises, the editorial board of *The Bucknellian* meets and discusses the issue," said Rachel Laskow '03, *The Bucknellian* editor-in-chief. "By debating all aspects of the issue, the staff concludes what best suits the needs of the newspaper and the campus community and implements that into the publication."

FIRE

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that we do not suppress speech, but we also do not subsidize antagonistic suits. It would be foolish to contribute legal fees to an organization whose avowed intention is to use their legal resources against us," Bromfield said.

Lukianoff believes that if the University extended this policy to any organization that threatened to sue, the University would have to exclude many of the most distinguished social justice speakers of our time.

"It is unacceptable even if we were suing them. If the University won't allow any member of a civil rights organization to come speak any time there is the potential of a law suit, that is really frightening," Lukianoff said.

Conservatives Club President Denise Chaykun '04 said the Conservatives Club wanted Halvorssen to speak at the University because he could help the University deal with current issues.

"He brings up some points that are really unique and we thought that the campus could benefit from him coming," Chaykun said.

According to Chaykun, Halvorssen will still be coming to the University on Oct. 24.

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BUSINESS & POLITICS

Bush faces skepticism in Senate

Courtesy of Reuters

President George W. Bush speaking in front of congressional legislators on the current situation in Iraq. Bush faces strong opposition from the legislature concerning a war on Iraq.

By Michael Dudzinski
Staff Writer

A nervous President George W. Bush warned Tuesday night that Iraq could attack the United States with biological and chemical weapons any day. According to *The New York Times*, Bush, though well aware that many Americans do not want a war, asserted that confronting the threat Iraq poses is crucial to winning the war on terror.

The purpose of Bush's speech was not only directed toward swaying moderates to support his war effort, but also delivering a stern plea to the international community to support the United States. The president has only received full support from Great Britain, while other allies have shown a great deal of skepticism toward the removal of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. CNN reported Wednesday that the allied standpoint on Iraq has remained unchanged, regardless of Bush's plea for help.

Trying to build his case, Bush expressed a more complacent view that aimed to ease the tensions that many Americans and allies have towards his proposal to use force. A few weeks ago, Bush wanted to topple the Iraqi dictator, but now pledges that force will be used only as a last resort, according to CNN.

The main obstacle that Bush faces with regard to his Iraqi initiative has been in the Senate. Faced with a request from the president to use all means necessary to oust Hussein, Senate Democrats have expressed skepticism.

Many citizens have been flooding the phone lines, faxes and mailboxes of senators demanding peace with Iraq.

MSNBC revealed that many top senators are concerned that the president's demand for unlimited authority over policy towards Iraq would threaten the security of the United States.

CNN reports that Rep. Mike Thompson, D-Calif., expressed opposition to Bush's consideration of a pre-emptive strike against Iraq. He stated that such action would place the international community in an unfavorable situation, in which there appears to be no immediate danger to Americans. Many lawmakers have questioned the credibility of Bush's accusation that Iraq possesses biological and chemical weapons, citing that the president has yet to provide proof of their existence.

In favor of Bush, Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., advised his colleagues that the president has gone through all the appropriate measures to ensure that military action is the last option in Iraq. CNN highlighted McCain's argument that Bush is going through Congress to get an endorsement and has received a resolution from the U.N. Security Council, exhibiting that the president is not seeking military action as a first option in battling Hussein.

Many lawmakers still maintain that there is no need for military action against Iraq and that the conflict can be resolved through diplomatic channels.

Citing the escalating domestic instability and economic woes, Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., threatened to veto Bush's demand for military action. According to CNN, Byrd was adamant in his belief that the president is determined to get a vote on the war resolution by election time in order to take attention away from the real problem of the economy.

Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., told CNN that she felt that the president has made a persuasive argument against Hussein, but warned that the president should reconsider his proposal of military force as the solution. She questioned the immediacy of the threat because Iraq has not used any chemical weapons in over a decade. Feinstein expressed certainty that disarming Iraq could be done peacefully through the supervision of the United Nations, and stressed this action as a first-line defense.

The debate among lawmakers about whether they should grant Bush a resolution that would allow him to attack Iraq has faced much criticism from the president. MSNBC reported that Bush demands immediate action due to the mounting threat from Iraq, which escalates with each day that Congress withholds its decision.

Byrd hinted that the Senate would use all procedural methods necessary before proposing a resolution to the president, which may not materialize until next week.

Economic concerns lead to reopening of ports

By Jim Leahy
Senior Writer

With the economy in a tenuous situation, a port shutdown is not what Wall Street was looking for. The American economy was losing between $1-2 billion each day thanks to a shutdown at 29 of the West Coast's ports over the past 11 days. Cranes remained idle and ships moored offshore, allowing their cargoes to sit and wait for processing at the docks.

On Tuesday, President George W. Bush invoked the Taft-Hartley Act of 1947, its first use in 24 years, to put a temporary end to the shutdown and to force workers back to their jobs. A Federal Court agreed late Tuesday, and workers were expected back at the docks on Wednesday to begin the process of unloading the backlog of ships and getting goods sitting at the port onto ships for their voyage abroad.

There is a specific method of operation for the president when he acts under the authority that Taft-Hartley gives him. According to *The Wall Street Journal*, Bush must follow a five-step process. Initially, the president creates a board to investigate the terms of the dispute. Following the board's report, the president can ask a court for an 80-day cooling-off period during which workers return to their jobs. Throughout that period, mediators work on brokering a settlement. After 60 days, the National Labor Relations Board will poll workers on the last offer that their employer gave them, and if the employees reject the offer, they can go back on strike or the employer can lock them out.

According to the White House, the president, when making his announcement on Tuesday, said, "Because the operation of western ports is vital to our economy and to our military, I have determined that the current situation imperils our national health and safety. I have appointed a board of inquiry to investigate the issues at stake. Today, the board submitted an official report stating each party's position."

"I'm now directing Attorney General Ashcroft to seek an injunction under the Taft-Hartley Act, ending the lockout and requiring work at the ports to resume at a normal pace," Bush said. "This dispute between management and labor cannot be allowed to further harm the economy and force thousands of working Americans from their jobs."

The report of the board of inquiry included some of the problems that the lockout is causing. According to the report, available from the U.S. Department of Labor, "West Coast ports are crucial to U.S. trade, handling over $300 billion in trade a year. These ports handle more than half of all containerized imports and exports. Layoffs have already begun in multiple industries around the country, and millions of dollars in produce, fish, meat and poultry are rotting on docks and ships."

The question to ask is how did it all start. According to MSNBC.com, "The Pacific Maritime Association, which represents shippers, says it was forced to halt operations after a work slowdown they described as the equivalent of a 'strike with pay.'" The International Longshore and Warehouse Union "acknowledged slowing operations by refusing to work overtime and adhering to contractual restrictions in a 'work-to-rule' job action."

Courtesy of Reuters

A San Diego port for automobiles stands empty. The shutdown of West Coast ports has cost the U.S. economy billions of dollars a day.

MSNBC.com reports that technology is another central issue in the dispute between the port management and longshoremen, who can make as much as $100,000 a year. Management wants "to make use of new technology, including computerized information systems to track cargo." The longshoremen "want to ensure that any new technology-related jobs are unionized."

What does Wall Street think about the president's decision? "Bush's decision to intervene, which reversed the administration's prior stance, was the main factor accounting for today's broader market advance," said Steven Massocca, president of Pacific Growth Equities in San Francisco in a report on RealMoney.com. "With the economy on the brink [of recession], the port strike was not exactly a vitamin pill."

The bottom line is that strike was hurting the economy. Goods coming into the country included seasonal consumer products destined for store shelves as part of the holiday shopping season. Car companies and other manufacturing outlets that rely on a steady flow of goods to keep plants open were feeling a crunch in their supply chains. There is the real possibility that perishable goods sitting on ships or on the docks will go bad and will have to be destroyed.

The president will take heat from labor in the coming days, as unions will complain that his actions were uncalled-for. Bush had to weigh angering organized labor and angering the American public that thinks he has not done enough to help the economy. A report in *The New York Times* said that Bush's "use of Taft-Hartley shows him taking aggressive action to remove a serious threat to the economy. By seeking an 80-day cooling-off period, he will also remove the threat of grave economic damage well before the elections."

That same *Times* report also said, "now that the president has acted, labor leaders are saying they are furious. Unions dislike such back-to-work injunctions, viewing them as improper meddling in contract disputes and weakening labor's hand. Richard Trumka, the A.F.L.-C.I.O. secretary-treasurer, said unions were so angry about Bush's move that many union members would consider it in deciding whether to vote Democrat or Republican this November."

Iraqi obsession does not come without expense

By Mike Neibauer
Senior Writer

Last Friday the stock market was taking another beating. As the trading day began, the Department of Labor made a disturbing announcement—that instead of the expected increase of 6,000 payroll jobs in September, there was a decrease of 43,000. In normal times this would be a very minor one-month-only economic bump in the road. However, these are not normal times economically. While the Iraq "war talk" has become the daily diet and ratings grabber for the news channels, the financial section of most newspapers has become a horror show.

Friday's sell-off leaves the Dow Jones Average near a five-year low. TheDow Jones and the S&P 500 averages are headed for their first consecutive three-year decline since 1941.

The worst of corporate criminals, (former and soon-to-be former) executives, can stay out of handcuffs only if they can make a deal with the law by implicating their former colleagues. The 27-year-old broker that handled Martha Stewart's questionable trade of ImClone stock has turned prosecutors' evidence concerning her insider trading case against her. Stewart has subsequently resigned her position as a board member at the New York Stock Exchange. The Enron, WorldCom, ImClone, Adelphia and Global Crossings of the world are giving markets and investors headaches while previously downward-revised corporate earnings are under-whelming in most cases. This does not inspire trust in corporate America in the least. The list of corporate felons-to-be is growing long as financial markets fail to maintain momentum and as the large and small investor doubt market credibility. The billions lost are not all attributable to one cause, but attention to the economy has not been the primary focus of this president.

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When asked and pressed by a CNBC reporter about downplaying the impact of the lacking employment numbers, Labor Secretary Elaine Chao stiffly said that "she went to Harvard Business School and didn't need to be reminded of the meaning of the numbers." Her terse attitude toward the reporter and disingenuous remarks about the ease of regaining employment helped to inspire the Dow to a loss of 188 points for the day. Actions like Chao's and (as some would say) the slow reaction of the administration to the corporate scandals expose the White House's lack of attention to economic matters. Many financial analysts are questioning whether the White House has the same quality of personnel handling the economy as it has running foreign policy.

Word is that after situations with Iraq begin to show resolution, many economic advisers now in place will leave. Perhaps we should not wait. We need more immediate stimulus, and employment programs cannot wait since current policies are not effective even with extremely low interest rates. If the increase of expenditures for homeland security, the widely dispersed war on terror and the now-emerging buildup of forces against Iraq have not impacted markets yet, the disruption and uncertainty have. Oil prices already have a war premium factored in as supply has tightened as the winter heating season begins.

Former Vice President Al Gore made an economic speech this week, though it did not receive the attention of his foreign policy speech. This may stem from frustration and the general disgust that the American public feels concerning the country's economic situation. As the United States moves toward a new desert operation in Iraq, the White House has enjoyed a groundswell of support, as did the first President Bush. It will be a mistake for the White House to take its eye off the economic ball as reservists are called up for service and away from the work force. There is no economic stimulus from the kind of war we waged 10 years ago or will wage today. The president is banking on a short, sharp attack with a quick victory over Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, but, even if this occurs, the long occupation afterward has open-ended costs and its duration cannot be easily guessed.

The financial and political outcome of operations in Afghanistan is not encouraging as President Hamid Karzai is complaining that the promised funding has not arrived and many government officials and his army are not being paid. The fact that Karzai must be guarded by U.S. troops is telling, and United States allying and dealing with the drug producing Afghan warlords outside of Kabul and Kandahar rankles Karzai as it dilutes his authority. Iraq will be a much larger case than Afghanistan in every way.

The idea of an easy or inexpensive Iraqi operation must be dismissed. We can only hope that our Afghan operations will not be the pattern for potential action in Iraq. It remains to be seen if the Bush White House will make the mistake of the former Bush administration and bungle the economy while being obsessed with Iraq. There is no mistake that the U.S. economy will be paying the price of the president's decisions long after he leaves office, regardless of the outcome. The economy must not be pushed aside now, because it will need serious aid later.

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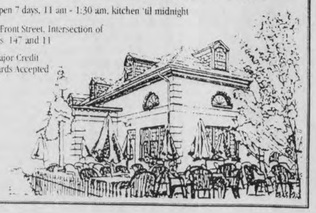

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The Bucknellian Editorial

Free speech necessary at University

In the past week, freedom of speech has been a prevalent issue on campus. The limits of this right, guaranteed by the First Amendment, have been questioned more since last week's release of the "Counterweight." This edition contained many controversial articles, several of which caused a stir among certain groups on campus. *The Bucknellian* supports the "Counterweight's" decision to exercise its right of free speech and to provide a conservative viewpoint on localized topics.

The "Counterweight" covered a diverse selection of topics, many relating to freedom of speech. The "Counterweight" is not a news publication; however, some articles appear to be fact-based in content while still expressing the authors' opinions.

Although *The Bucknellian* believes that the "Counterweight" has the right to publish the articles, we do not necessarily agree with what the articles are saying. Furthermore, there is a line that can be crossed with freedom of speech—we do not believe that the "Counterweight" has crossed that line with its most recent publication.

When publishing an opinion, both the writer and the readers have specific responsibilities. In general, writers have a freedom of speech, but at the same time must be respectful of their audience. Also, they need to make sure that they fulfill the purpose of an opinion. For example, an opinions article should cause readers to seriously consider the point of view opposite from what they are accustomed to.

Likewise, it is the responsibility of the reader to keep an open mind when reading, or even listening to, an opinion. At all times, readers must remember the reciprocal side of freedom of speech: They do not have to believe everything that they read and they do not have to read anything they do not want to read. The "Counterweight" was published with the intention to provide a convincing argument and start discussion—it did not force everyone to adapt a new point of view.

The debates over freedom of speech and the "Counterweight" clearly indicate that the University has diverse viewpoints.

The Bucknellian feels that the division on campus exists between those people who do not think the University is diverse enough and those who think it is fine. Those who do not think it is diverse enough should praise the "Counterweight" for bringing a minority perspective to the community (we are calling it a minority because few people openly express their opinion, not necessarily because conservatives are the minority). Those who do think it is diverse should praise the "Counterweight" for keeping this campus well balanced and intellectually stimulated, something that it often lacks.

The Bucknellian looks forward to future issues of the "Counterweight," "The Catalyst" and others that wish to practice their freedom of speech in a responsible manner.

Letters to the editor

Conservative speaker denied opportunity at University

To the Editor:

I received an e-mail on Oct. 1 from the University's General Counsel, Wayne Bromfield, stating that the University has defunded a speaker that the Conservatives Club is bringing to campus. The speaker in question is Thor Halvorssen, the executive director of the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education (FIRE). FIRE is a civil liberties group that works for the protection of free speech rights of students and professors across the country.

Bromfield stated that the University does "not subsidize those who threaten to sue us." He is referring to a letter that FIRE sent to University President Steffen Rogers this past August with the concern that the administration violated the rights of a member of the University community last year. Bromfield claimed that the letter sent by FIRE "contained a threat of litigation." Interestingly, Halvorssen has stressed to me, "FIRE does not litigate. FIRE has never sued any college or university." It seems to me that FIRE's executive director might know better than Bromfield whether or not his agency has ever sued a school.

The University's decision that commanded the Conservatives Club to uninvite Mr. Halvorssen not only put the club into an embarrassing situation, but also trampled upon the authority of the Bucknell Student Government Appropriations Committee, which already voted to fully fund the lecture. Why would the University, a place that supposedly upholds the value of free speech, try to prevent a lecture by someone who most certainly does?

Everyone should be asking the administration why the University is being confronted by a civil liberties group in the first place. Perhaps Bromfield's time would be better spent making sure that his fellow administrators do not violate students' civil rights instead of telling the Conservatives Club what it can or cannot do with student activity fee funds.

Sincerely,
Adam Hersperger '05
Vice President for Special Events, the Conservatives Club

Different beliefs does not mean gay basher

To the Editor:

This is a response to Phil Martoma's Sept. 27 article.

I am a Christian that believes homosexuality is against God's will. Don't hold that against me and accuse me of being a gay-basher trying to oppress you. It's possible for me to disagree with that aspect of your life and still be civil. You started a peaceful communication with Christians that I'd like to follow up on in a respectful manner.

As a Christian, I presume you read the Bible and hold its teachings to be true above all else (2 Timothy 3:16-17). The Scriptures are very clear that man and woman were created for each other (Genesis 2:18-24). Adam and Eve were in the Garden, not Adam and Steve. How would Adam and Steve follow God's command to "be fruitful and multiply" (Genesis 1:27-28)? Even Jesus said: "Haven't you read 'that at the beginning the Creator made them male and female. For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh'? So they are no longer two, but one" (Matthew 19:4-6).

Romans 1:24-32 is quite explicit about the sin of sexual immorality. [Of course every person is sinful against God and deserves death (Romans 3:23, 6:23). Yet our sins have been paid for and we can be saved (Romans 5:8, 10:8-13)] Other Scriptures support God's intent for men to be with women, (Leviticus 18:22, Proverbs 5:18-19, 1 Corinthians 6:18-7:40, 1 Timothy 1:10).

Notably, the work of Jesus Christ demonstrates that we are not to hate one another, but "love your neighbor as yourself" (Luke 10:26-37) and show love "with actions and in truth" (1 John 3:11-24). Hate is inexcusable. God ultimately judges our souls, and therefore we are not to condemn anyone (Romans 2:1-2). Still, Christians are told to "hold firmly to the trustworthy message as it has been taught, so that you can encourage others by sound doctrine and refute those who oppose it" (Titus 1:9). The Scriptures reveal very clearly that homosexuality opposes God's plan for mankind.

Please study the Bible. Read Romans 6-8 to see how God provides a way to overcome our sinfulness. Check out the Web site http://www.answersingenesis.org and search under "homosexual" or talk to a pastor who truthfully teaches the Scriptures.

Sincerely,
John Zengel '98

"Counterweight" not welcome at multicultural meeting

To the Editor:

Last Friday, there was a meeting held discussing the latest issue of the "Counterweight" and how students were affected by it. There were administrators and faculty present, along with a host of students.

The members of the Bucknell University Conservatives Club (BUCC) were not invited because we, as a group, felt they weren't going to help in providing a positive discussion (they didn't, but I'll get into that later). Because the BUCC was there, however, we utilized this and asked questions.

Our main issue was about free speech and how it was presented in their articles. I was disturbed with the fact the blackface incident, which happened last semester and was pretty much over with, was brought up again with the overall idea that, even though people were hurt and upset by this, it was a form of free speech, and to hell with whoever was affected by it.

Emotions started to heat up due to the lack of respect by BUCC toward the students. There were no signs of emotion by any of the members, and I even caught the editor-in-chief playing with his shoe when someone was expressing (even crying) how they felt.

There were tears from anger and feelings of disrespect. One student obviously didn't understand because they showed no feelings. Others said they didn't feel safe because if one group of students felt this way, how many more are walking around on this campus?

By this point, an administrator asked the editor-in-chief, "if you could do it all over again, knowing how these students felt, would you print the publication again?" After beating around the bush for a minute or two, he responded with a "yes." At that point we felt they should leave the meeting. We (the students) asked them to leave. They did not budge, so an administrator asked them to leave. After complaining about the house (the Seventh Street House) being University-owned, they left, only to sit on the outside bench of the house.

This meeting would have been more productive without the BUCC. Their presence only caused more harm to the students who attended the meeting. As a woman of color on this campus, this has played a major role on my view of the student body. On the other hand, I could just be another complaining minority, and in need of one of those "minority crutches."

Sincerely,
J. Robyn Price '04
Chair, Multicultural Affairs
VP, College Democrats

War will not achieve peace

To the Editor:

I am the president of Bucknellians For Peace (BFP). Recently, this organization has come under public attack, and there are a few misconceptions that I would like to clear up. First, it is not possible to achieve peace through war. This has been shown in many historical contexts. The Hundred Years War, World War II and Desert Storm come easily to mind. In each of these cases, violence has bred violence. I believe Gandhi put it best when he said, "There is no way to peace, peace is the way."

As a group, we were also attacked for our chalk talk a few weeks ago. It was said that we did not put forth any alternatives for the war that the Bush administration is so eager. The reason we purposely did not include alternatives is that we believe it is important to first get people's attention, and then talk to them. That way they will actually listen. Two weeks ago, BFP had a table in the LC Mall where we made it clear to many people what our alternatives are. First and foremost, use Iraq's invitation to allow weapons inspectors back. It could either confirm the accusations that the White House has been making about Iraq having weapons of mass destruction (WMD), or it could show that no, in fact they have none. If Iraqi President Saddam Hussein does prove to have WMD, the inspection teams would then continue to carry out the disarmament that they abandoned in 1998.

I would like to finish by saying that the problem relevant to the United States is not the nation of Iraq, it is Hussein. The real issue is disarmament, and that Iraq has not followed through on the U.N. resolutions regarding its WMD. However, the Big 5—the United States, Russia (then the U.S.S.R.), the United Kingdom, France and China—signed the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty in 1970. This treaty stated that in 25 years, these nations would be completely disarmed and possess no nuclear weapons. In 1995, that deadline was extended indefinitely. The United States has also decided to void the Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty it had with Russia. Here are two examples of the United States not following what it said it would do, yet there are no nations attacking us because of it. Disarmament is not something that should be limited to one nation. It is something that is vitally important for safety around the entire world.

Sincerely,
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President Bucknellians For Peace

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Opinions

Living wage issue affects real people

By Tim Hinkle
Writer

If you walk around the University campus, you are likely to see one of many different posters espousing varying political views on the living wage issue. On one side, you've got the Bucknell University Conservatives Club (BUCC), which opposes the implementation of a living wage at the University. On the other end of the spectrum, there is the Bucknell Caucus for Economic Justice (BCEJ), which fights for the living wage.

If it seems like this is just some big ideological clash between the conservatives and the liberals over some lofty political issue, you have been deceived—it is more than that. The living wage actually concerns real people here at the University. It is an issue upon which the very livelihoods of real people and real families depend greatly.

A living wage means, believe it or not, paying somebody enough money to actually live on—a wage that is "sufficient for basic nutrition, housing and other necessities."

The BCEJ estimates that somewhere around 230 employees of the University, the people who work hard all day preparing your food and cleaning up after you, are not paid a living wage. The BCEJ thinks this is ridiculous, and especially hypocritical for a university with a mission statement claiming that the University's policies should be executed with "compassion, civility and a sense of justice."

This does not ring true with a university that just spent $64 million on a new athletic center and $250,000 to renovate University President Steffen Rogers' house, installing a climate-control system in his garage for his car collection, while still not paying its staff the $10.54 an hour with benefits, calculated as the bare minimum salary needed to live and support a family here and in the surrounding area.

Since its reincarnation two years ago, the BCEJ has fought and rallied the faculty, administration and student body to approve the living wage, not because the group has something to gain politically from the campaign, but because it just seems like the decent and honorable thing to do for the people who make our lives of luxury here at the University possible.

On the other hand, BUCC is the student group that somehow finds the gall to oppose this measure. I absolutely respect the right that the BUCC has to hold its own opinions on this or any matter, but it deeply saddens me that any University student would rather continue to bathe in luxury than to pay the people who literally run this university enough to live.

If the BUCC ever, even once, in any of its refutations of the living wage campaign, mentioned the conservative economic doctrine of non-interference with market forces, then I would accept their viewpoint and politely disagree.

What is their argument you ask? The BUCC opposes a living wage so that we can have cheaper hamburgers in the cafeteria, air conditioning in the dorms and other luxuries.

Personally, I find this logic morally repugnant and downright offensive. Instead of embodying a respectable, principled political group, the Conservatives Club comes off (albeit perhaps inadvertently) like a bunch of spoiled brats who feel like complaining when they see any remote possibility of their luxury being diminished. This selfishness disgusts me, and it should disgust you, too.

When I came to the University just a few weeks ago, I was shocked to see not only that the conservatives lacked the compassion that seems to be all the rage among the conservative leadership these days, but that they opposed the living wage issue for purely self-serving reasons.

Their selfish argument and ubiquitous orange flyers so disgusted me that I decided to start my own campaign in opposition to theirs without any knowledge of the BCEJ. So if you noticed the signs around campus that read, "The BUCC does not support a living wage for the staff because we like eating hamburgers more than they deserve to feed their families," which the Conservatives Club was so quick to denounce, know that they were put there by me.

If you need any more convincing of how apathetic the Conservatives Club is regarding the conditions of the University's staff, simply read their response to my flyers on the last page of the latest "Counterweight."

I apologize for "misrepresenting" their organization, but if the Conservatives Club is so offended by the message on my flyers, I suggest they consider their own ideas pertaining to the living wage issue, which affects real people with real problems, which one far greater than a lack of air conditioning in the dorms, or putting a cheaper hamburger on your plate.

University's President's Council missing important component

By Michael Boland
Senior Writer

Through a series of incidents big and small, it has become obvious to anyone paying attention that there is a great gulf between conservatives and non-conservative "minority" students on this campus. Some minorities feel that conservatives are peddling hate speech, while conservatives are convinced that some minority students—and their allies in the faculty and administration—are out to censor them and their unfashionable ideas. More dialogue would be constructive, but what's lacking is the proper forum for that dialogue. My humble suggestion as a reasonable starting point would be to give campus conservatives a seat on the President's Multicultural Council.

According to its Web site, the council exists to "serve as a voice for Bucknell minority students and students of color." Depending on what the council means by "minority," one could easily argue that conservatives are, in fact, a "minority," in that they are a small subset of the student body with a unique perspective on campus and world events. But one doesn't even have to accept this reading of the word "minority" to see why campus conservatives deserve a seat.

According to the Article 2, Section 1 of the council's constitution, the "constituents" of the President's Council are "individual multicultural organizations," which would seem to put this body outside of the reach of a group like the conservatives. After all, conservatives define their membership not by who they are by birth, but what they believe about the world around them.

The only problem with this argument is that the current membership of the President's Council includes other groups that define their membership exactly the same way. The President's Council Web site lists Sirens as a member, even though Sirens is a campus group that exists to raise awareness of "women's issues." It is open to both men and women.

Sirens defines itself not by who the members are, but by what they believe about how the world should be. The same could be said for FLAG & BT, another council member. That's fine; the President's Council has every right to define the terms of its own membership. But including a group such as Sirens broadens its own definition of "diversity" in such a way as to preclude any serious argument about whether a group of conservative students qualify.

Sirens has a vision of how the world ought to be and they engage in various activities to advance that vision; so do campus conservatives. If you classify the former as contributing to campus "diversity," then you have to agree that the latter does as well. As the inclusion of Sirens as a multicultural organization illustrates, the most useful conceptions of "diversity" take into account people's perspectives, not just the color of their skin.

The only potential obstacle to conservatives' membership on the council is Article 3, Section 2.3 of the council's constitution. It stipulates that adding a new member requires a two-thirds vote of approval by existing members. In other words, you can't just proclaim yourself "multicultural" and show up at a meeting. It's a club they have to let you join.

Given the furor over the most recent "Counterweight," it's almost certain that campus conservatives are going to ask. Their request should be granted, both in the interest of fairness, and providing a forum where conservatives and other "multicultural" students can come together, sit down to discuss calmly what the other side is doing that bothers them and, if necessary, respectfully agree to disagree on most every issue there is.

To slam the door in their face would be heavy-handed, petty and contrary to the council's own standards for membership heretofore. One might even call it, well … intolerant.

Ends don't always justify means

By Aaron Hanlon
Staff Writer

The ethos of utilitarianism rests upon the notion that all ends justify their means. According to this ethos, one ought to act in such a way that affords the greatest amount of happiness for the individual, and so, through the aggregate happiness of all individuals, the entire community. Likewise, all actions that produce suffering are immoral according to the utilitarian.

The University community is currently undergoing tremendous suffering as a result, directly or indirectly, of the conflict between viewpoints conveyed by the "Counterweight" and those of its opposition. Many of those in the latter group are calling for an end to the "Counterweight," or a drastic reformation of its current style and content. This argument is inherently utilitarian; the "Counterweight" produces suffering, therefore, it is immoral. The suffering that it produces can only be logically interpreted as an end, as causing a community to suffer is certainly not, in this case, a means of attaining some higher goal. Some have implied that those behind the "Counterweight" are indeed publishing to divide the campus through suffering. This fictitious apocryphal "higher goal of division" is a rather extreme notion that demands of anyone who adopts it an unusually bleak view of human intentions, or at least those of the conservatives on this campus.

It is ironic that I am unable to construct a utilitarian argument without mentioning the concept of intentions, as utilitarianism ultimately disregards intentions in delineating its ethos. But I have often found that, in arguing from a utilitarian standpoint, it is natural for us to ask ourselves the question; "What about intentions?" Where ends justify means, regardless of intention or methodology, we run into serious moral (or in the case of utilitarianism, amoral) dilemmas. Bombing Iraq would most likely result in happiness for many in both the United States and Iraq, but is it moral to destroy Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and possibly innocent civilians as well? Is it moral to risk the lives of American soldiers in so doing? If war in Iraq would produce the greatest amount of happiness for the world community, is war a moral action? Finally, would war in Iraq even produce the greatest amount of happiness? This last question is of extreme importance, as it introduces yet another serious flaw in the utilitarian ethos: How might we quantify happiness? Were there a mathematical formula, this might not be a problem. But in reality, it is impossible to quantify the abstract. I am not going to use this essay to speculate over the morality of these acts in question, but I do intend on using the issue of war in Iraq as a paradigm of the flaws of utilitarianism.

There are merely nuances between the deconstruction of a utilitarian argument for war in Iraq, and that of the utilitarian argument for the abolition of the "Counterweight" as it stands. Both arguments are flawed in that they disregard the very realistic and undeniably essential entity of intent, as well as the utilitarian paradox of somehow calculating the total happiness accrued to the community should the "Counterweight" be abolished or the United States decide to attack Iraq, versus the total happiness yielded should it or Iraq remain as it is, while simultaneously valuing those unknown amounts of happiness as ultimate ends.

In spite of the fact that many took offense to parts or all of the "Counterweight," the intention of those who contribute to it is not to offend. It is a publication that sets out to provide balance (hence its title) to liberal and "politically correct" ideology, and foster diversification of political ideologies on campus. Though it has had some unfavorable effects on the campus community (which are not all necessarily borne out of its rhetoric any more than the ardent means of disagreement by its opposition), banning or restricting it is immoral. This is the case because we cannot always judge an action by its effects. There is inherent value in actions themselves that are borne out of good intentions. Though many may assert that the intentions of those who publish the "Counterweight" are bad, we should all keep in mind that many of us also know nothing about the individuals behind the "Counterweight." Those who are making negative assumptions about the character and intentions of these individuals are only adding the total suffering on campus, whatever that total may be.

Dean Ferraro takes inappropriate actions

By Tom Elliott
Senior Writer

Last Thursday the new "Counterweight" came out. When Dean of Students Richard Ferraro read it, he wasn't pleased. In fact, he called leaders of the multicultural groups into his office and to discuss the articles about blackface and the "What's up, my negro" incident. The displeasure soon grew. An emergency forum was then scheduled for the following evening in the Seventh Street House. And this is when it really got interesting.

What followed was unusual. Ferraro became increasingly detached from the role you would expect of a person in such a position—acting not as a source of arbitration, but rather, as an antagonist to such efforts.

An e-mail was circulated among the members of multicultural groups, informing them of the forum. It included a small memorandum towards the end; it was requested the meeting stay on the hush-hush. The conservatives were not invited.

Now by definition, a "forum" isn't a "forum," if its merely a one-sided venting session that neglects any sort of exchanging of ideas. But as it would soon become clear, this is what was intended—in this manner, they could figure out what to do about the "Counterweight."

Some members of the Bucknell University Conservatives Club (BUCC) happen to also be members of multicultural groups. Many conservatives were interested in attending a forum that discussed the latest publication. It was obvious that it wasn't by mistake that conservatives didn't receive any invitations. Instead, three BUCC members ended up attending so they could simply sit in the back and listen. The rest were told not to come so that chances of conflict would be minimized.

The stated topics of discussion were "campus climate, effects of campus climate on targeted groups and articles in the 'Counterweight.'" The moderator, Danielle Smith, head of Multicultural Affairs, opened the forum by stating its purpose and requesting that people remain calm.

Ferraro was the first to speak. He immediately began attacking the latest "Counterweight." The article about blackface was his immediate focus; he admitted it was true that technically such expression of speech is constitutionally-protected, but then informed the participants that "it doesn't matter."

Others were quick to join in. People expressed that the various aspects of the "Counterweight" that had made them uncomfortable. Someone said the "Word on the Quad" section made him or her uncomfortable—it had been corrupted by too many white people (even though only two of the four were Caucasian). The group laughed at the BUCCers when they said they understood multicultural issues. The "Counterweight" had apparently disrupted the campus climate. A popular opinion was that the BUCC should have asked permission from the minority population on campus before printing articles dealing with race. The complaining carried on in this fashion.

It would seem, from all this, that offending students was against the student Code of Conduct. Yet this isn't the case. You can read the code in and out, yet will see absolutely nothing to this effect.

The only times the BUCC members spoke, were in defense of themselves. Between the moderator and Ferraro, no one requested that the hostility toward them be quelled. Instead, Ferraro added some of his own.

Ferraro stated that the members of the Conservatives Club take "joy of hurting others" and that the "Counterweight" was written with "malice" and the intention of hurting people. He then asked the editor of the "Counterweight," Charles Mitchell '05, that after seeing how upset people were, if would he still would have printed these articles. Mitchell felt it an unfair venue for such a question. It was pushed further, until Mitchell decided to answer, regardless of the question's propriety, and stated that yes, he would run them again. Ferraro then turned his head and said that he had expected this, and it meant Mitchell printed the "Counterweight" with the intent to hurt people. Ferraro said this even more clearly when he labeled the BUCC members in attendance, "sewers of discord."

Forum participants became upset that the conservatives were not overly apologetic, and requested that they leave. Ferraro then also asked them to leave. When Michael Boland '03, of the BUCC, questioned, "Isn't this University-owned housing?," Ferraro responded that he would call Public Safety and have him removed, if he didn't leave on his own. At this point, BUCC President Denise Chaykun '04 insisted it was best they all leave.

It would seem, from all this, that offending students was against the student Code of Conduct. Yet this isn't the case. You can read the code in and out, yet will see absolutely nothing to this effect.

Some forum participants even threatened to petition an end to the "Counterweight." And so the irony thickens.

In the Student Code of Conduct, under Category 1 Violations, it reads, "(2) Freedom of Speech. Deliberate interference with the freedom of speech of any segment of the University community." It would seem the only people who have committed a violation, are those who have signed a petition carrying an intent that clearly violates the Student Code of Conduct.

"You, as the dean of students, have a responsibility to treat all students, even those you disagree with, in a respectful and evenhanded manner. We feel that you failed to do this on Friday night, and in so doing, hurt us each deeply," Boland wrote Ferraro several days later. "You impugned our characters, with zero evidence and little if any knowledge of us as people."

Boland wasn't the only one who asked Ferraro for the specific texts in the "Counterweight" that were offensive. I, as well as others, asked the same thing. Typically, the question wasn't answered.

"I don't know how to explain to you how hurtful the last 'Counterweight' was if you can't see it, then you just can't see it," Ferraro said in an e-mail to Boland. "I am sorry that you and other staff members crashed that meeting."

Boland requested Ferraro apologize. He did not, instead asking Boland to apologize to those who were hurt.

Ferraro even said that he was sad the BUCCers were not apologetic to those who claimed to be hurting, "especially when they spoke to you so kindly." For the record, no brash statements were made on behalf of the BUCC. However, statements directed towards the BUCC included that "the members of the Conservatives Club are lucky that they were not attacked over printing what they did." Another student stated that he wanted to punch Mitchell. Another student stated that one couldn't print such articles in the inner city because they would be lynched for doing so. "Spoke to you so kindly"?

Throughout all of this, at no point was any specific text ever cited that was "malicious" in content. Yet this lack of evidence didn't stop multiple students, and the dean of students, from insulting without remorse. .

Arts & Entertainment

Christy's a Parents Weekend favorite

By Ken Holroyd
Writer

Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian

The newest members of the Silhouettes show their spirit and energy before they sing at Christy's. The concert, which featured performances by Two Past Midnight, the Bison Chips and the Silhouettes, is a popular event during Parents Weekend.

"Christy's," a concert featuring the University's three a cappella groups, was held last Friday and Saturday nights to two sold-out crowds. Named after the famed alumnus and baseball hall-of-famer Christy Mathewson, "Christy's" provided audiences with humorous banter, interesting history and, of course, lively and beautiful music.

The concert kicked off with the performance by the Silhouettes, the University's all-female a cappella group. When they first came out on stage, there were only seven women—making the audience think that their numbers had dwindled considerably from last year. As they began their first song, a group of six newcomers performing expressive dance moved up the center aisle. The group became more serious during its performance, which included popular songs such as Mariah Carey's "Always Be My Baby" and LeAnn Rimes' "Can't Fight the Moonlight."

The night continued in similar style, with members of Two Past Midnight, the co-ed group, acting out a "Charlie's Angels" skit. They then performed several contemporary songs, including crowd favorites "In the End" by Linkin Park and "Eternal Flame" by The Bangles.

They were followed by the Bison Chips, the all-male ensemble, who turned Saturday Night Live's "Da Bears" skit into "Da Chips," with the other a cappella groups as the opposing teams. The Chips ended the concert with a mixture of musical styles, ranging from Guster's "Either Way" to the group's signature piece, Lou Reed's "Coney Island Baby."

"I thought the performances this year were great," Director Sara Mastrony '03, a member of the Silhouettes, said. "[We] had a lot of fun working together. We were confident and excited about our performance."

"I thought all the groups did a really good job this year," Sarah Mayson '03 said. "I enjoyed listening to their new songs."

All-male cast to explore relationships

"Glengarry Glen Ross" depicts the struggles of real estate agents in a money-oriented world

By Melinda Kummer
Senior Writer

"Glengarry Glen Ross," an independently produced play, is the product of the work of seven University men. Wanting to create an acting forum for themselves, Adam Ahuja '05, Jason Cherok '05, T. Patrick Halley '05, Adam Hargus '03, Alex McCausland '03, Mike Moran '03 and Timothy Grant Wojton '03 will present the contemporary show on the stage of the Harvey Powers Theatre on Oct. 12-13 at 8 p.m.

Set in the 1980s, "Glengarry Glen Ross," written by David Mamet, explores the intricate relationships between men and how these relationships fall apart when their focus becomes money. The all-male cast members transform into real estate agents worshiping the almighty dollar. The main character, Shelley Levene (Hargus), is an older real estate agent struggling to survive in the newer, younger and crueler world of business.

The cast described the essence of the show using such adjectives as "backstabbing" and "two-faced." Moran said the purpose of the play is to reveal the "brutal reality of the cutthroat lives led by real estate agents" who live by the motto, "always be closing."

Self-producing a show proved to be a unique experience for each cast member. Ahuja said that the small cast lent itself to a unity that he had not encountered before in his theater career at the University.

"I never participated in theater due to my involvement in sports," Cherok said. "When I got hurt, it opened the door to theater. I've enjoyed exploring the stage."

"'Glengarry Glen Ross' has been a refreshing change of pace in that I was able to approach a production outside of the strict confines of the department," Halley, a theater major, said.

"The show is perfectly cast," Hargus said. "And it's just us—we're making it happen. I cherish this opportunity."

"After so much improv and comedic acting, it's fulfilling to act dramatically for the sake of presenting a meaningful view to the audience and having the opportunity to work on my own technique," said Moran, president of We Brake for Nobody, the University's comedy improv group.

The show is meant to be an intense look into the emptiness that a lack of integrity and morals in a business environment produces. The cast members learned more than their lines and themes of the play during rehearsals. They also felt a deep satisfaction and developed a strong bond through working together.

"They're dedicated," stage crew member Jen Sloan '04, said.

Due to the inclusion of adult language and themes, parents are warned that the show may be inappropriate for children. Tickets will be available at the door or in the Langone Center Mall for $1.

Orchestra concert invigorating

By Kang Tchou
Senior Writer

The University orchestra treated road weary parents to a delightful evening of music during parents' weekend . The performance, held in the Weis Center last Friday, began with an overture highlighting the talents of the entire ensemble and continued with three solos showcasing individual talents of the senior class. The concert came to a rousing conclusion with the ever-popular theme from the film "Titanic."

Conductor and Associate Professor of Music Christopher Para opened the evening with the overture to "Semiramide" by Gioacchino Rossini. Like other works by Rossini, the composer's love of life and robust, jovial nature carry over into his composition. The overture was comprised of what Rossini considered the best tunes in opera, and he filled the composition with waves of his famous crescendo. The audience was hammered by undulating waves of music until it was overwhelmed by the gradual buildup to the climax.

Students liked this opening to the performance.

"This was such wonderful music that it reminded me of how much I love classical music," Taylor Chase '05 said.

The evening continued with Neal Lutz performing an alto saxophone solo accompanied by the orchestra. He chose the Concerto for Alto Saxophone and String Orchestra by Alexander Glazunov. This piece reflects the mixed influences of Glazunov's Russian homeland, as well as influences of France, where this piece was composed. This concerto was certainly a treat for the audience because it is rare that the alto saxophone has its moment in the limelight. Lutz shined under the attention from the audience and showed the variety of voices of his instrument, filling the music hall with notes ranging from the mellow to the sensual.

Rachel Crane followed up with a performance of Samuel Barber's Concerto for Violin and Orchestra, Op. 14. This is one of Barber's representational works that displays the composer's romantic style and keeps true to his love of the use of tonality in his compositions. Crane gave a superb performance that showed both her expertise on the violin and her ability to take advantage of the accompanying orchestra.

The final soloist was Daniel Sitomer, who performed Carl Maria von Weber's Concertino in E flat major for Clarinet and Orchestra, Op. 26. After just a few notes, the audience was mesmerized by the artist's mastery of both his clarinet and the intricacies in Weber's composition. Sitomer amazed the audience with his dexterity in playing the clarinet and the amount of individual expression that he accomplished while remaining faithful to the composer's intention for the piece.

Julia Woodard '05 and her parents enjoyed Sitomer's performance.

"We loved the last solo; his performance certainly allowed us to appreciate the clarinet as an individual instrument but it also showed us how wonderful it can be as a solo instrument leading an accompanying orchestra," Woodard said.

The evening finished with a romantic rendition of the major themes from the movie "Titanic." The final piece began with "Take Her to Sea, Mr. Murdoch" and ended with the now famous love tune "My Heart Will Go On." This familiar tune displayed the orchestra's full musical potential. The superb performance by the members of the orchestra allowed parents and students to leave the Weis Center soothed, refreshed and ready for the exciting weekend to come.

Sebold reveals violence in "Lucky"

By Stacey Gawronski
Writer

BOOK REVIEW

Alice Sebold's first novel, "The Lovely Bones," has been a bestseller on *The New York Times* book list for over 13 weeks. Since the success of this book, Sebold has taken on the task of writing a memoir, entitled "Lucky," now fourth on the best-selling non-fiction list.

"Lucky" is Sebold's account of being brutally raped and assaulted at the end of her first year at Syracuse University. She calls the book "Lucky" because after the rape and beating, police told her that, in comparison to the another young girl who was killed in the same tunnel in which Sebold was raped, she should consider herself lucky.

For most of the book, Sebold does not think of herself as lucky. She suffered a severe beating to the face and, even more harrowing, a loss of innocence, as she was a virgin at the time the rape took place. Fortunately, she does not keep quiet about her rape as she promised her rapist, who told her, "You're going to have a baby, b—-h. What are you going to do about it?"

Sebold chooses to be vocal about what happened to her, in part because she wanted to catch her rapist and see him punished for committing this horrifying act, and also because it was a way for her to heal. At one point in the memoir, she tries to describe the rape in detail to her mother, who can barely stand to hear more than a few words. Although her parents were supportive of her, it was difficult for them to hear about their 18-year-old daughter being forced to commit sodomy.

Sebold tells her story with a searing honesty and an observant eye. Her memory serves her well here, and she recalls what Thomas Wolfe, author of the memoir "This Boy's Life" and one of her professors at Syracuse, told her when he learned that she'd located her rapist five months after the rape.

"Alice, a lot of things are going to happen and this may not make much sense to you right now, but listen," Wolfe said. "Try, if you can, to remember everything."

Sebold's memoir is an obvious example of following Wolfe's advice, for the details in which she describes her journey from rape victim to survivor are illuminating.

"Lucky" is undoubtedly a brave book, one that proves Sebold's determination and success as a writer and as a person. Despite its disturbing subject matter, it is an inspiring, courageous memoir that readers can walk away from stunned and satisfied.

Downtown store is unique

The Magpie, a gallery-style store, is a great place to find a one-of-a-kind gift and enjoy a cultural escape

Adam Wilcox—The Bucknellian

Customers examine the collectibles and artwork in the Magpie. The owners of the Magpie first displayed only their own art and creations. The store now showcases creations by other artists and offers a variety of workshops and classes.

By Kristen Habacht
Senior Writer

The Magpie is a small gallery-style shop located on Market Street in Lewisburg. The store has been open for less than a year but has already made much progress and change. The Magpie is the perfect place to shop for that unique present, one-of-a-kind collectable or even just to window shop.

The store, which opened last December, has been successful and has also been supported by other local businesses and patrons. The Magpie offers an escape from regular shopping. It allows shoppers to find a unique present and to enjoy a cultural escape.

The Magpie is unique in the fact that owners Paula Swett and Beth Aten began by displaying their art and selling individual pieces, but soon featured pieces by other artists. The store now shows works from artists all over the area and continues to have new artists come in and ask for the inclusion of their work. The store sells a variety of pieces, including clothing, scarves, bowls, plates, jewelry, paintings and mobiles, all of which are handmade and one-of-a-kind.

One outstanding quality of the store is that it is fun to walk around in. It is also nice to admire the work and dedication that the artists put into their pieces. This area has so many talented artists who, until now, may not have had access to a gallery that would display and sell their works.

The newest piece that the Magpie is promoting is a handmade pillow that incorporates pictures, which are scanned and then sewn onto it. This creates a scrapbook on a practical pillow. That way you can look at your pictures and have a throw pillow—a great gift for a student going abroad or for your family at home who won't stop calling.

The Magpie also offers a variety of workshops and classes that are held at the store and conducted by one of the many local artists. The next workshop is on Sunday, Oct. 27, on Suminagashi marbling.

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American continues dominance with 3-0 win

By Tara Utchel
Senior Writer

The men's soccer team suffered a 3-0 loss to 13th-ranked American University on Sunday, Oct. 6. Bucknell had a few chances to score, but allowed the American offense to capitalize on a few mistakes. The score did not reflect Bucknell's talent. They were facing one of the top programs in the nation.

"American is 3-0 in the Patriot League and 10-2 overall, playing one of the toughest non-conference schedules in the country," Head Coach Brendan Nash said.

Unfortunately for the Bison, it was American's day to win. The Bison gave the defending Patriot League champs a run for their money, but did not play to their full potential.

"I feel that we can play much better than we showed on Sunday. This game is not indicative of how we feel we are as a team," Greg Buzzell '05 said. "We had a couple letdowns that resulted in goals that were very disheartening. I know we will bounce back."

American scored its first goal of the afternoon in the 16th minute of the game. Larry McDonald and Andrew Herman connected an airborne pass, which sailed over the Bucknell defensive line. Herman received the ball ahead of the Bucknell defender and then scored to the right of Bucknell's goalie, Adam Edwards '06.

"American was able to capitalize on our mistakes. All three goals were the result of a breakdown we made on our half of the field. [They are] very talented on offense and can create many chances. We did not help ourselves by creating some chances for them."
*—**Brendan Nash**, head coach*

The Orange and Blue had chances to tie the game, but were unable to capitalize on their opportunities. In the 58th minute, Scott Visnic '06 took a shot from outside the box, only to be robbed by the diving American goalkeeper, Michael Behonick. Ori Adrabi '05 collected the rebound, but his shot was also denied by Behonick.

A minute after Bucknell's scoring attempts, American counterattacked and retaliated with the second goal of the game. Herman received another air ball, drew Edwards off his line and then shot it into the net. American sealed the game in the 66th minute with its third goal.

Bucknell fought well, but the American offense was able to punish the Bison's defense for some of its mistakes in the backfield.

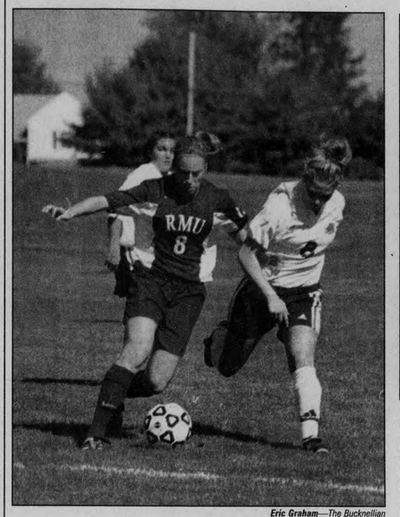
"American was able to capitalize on our mistakes. All three goals were the result of a breakdown we made on our half of the field," Nash said. "We have not been making many mistakes back there, let alone paying for them. American is very talented on offense and can create many chances. We did not help ourselves by creating some chances for them."

The defeat was Bucknell's second Patriot League loss, but was only its only second loss overall. The 8-2-1 record of the 2002 season is the program's best start in decades. Despite these two crucial losses, the Bison still have the chance to make the league playoffs.

Bucknell's next match is at Sacred Heart at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 13.

Bison end three-game skid with 3-3 tie

Women's soccer improved its record to 5-4-1 after double overtime led to a tie with Robert Morris



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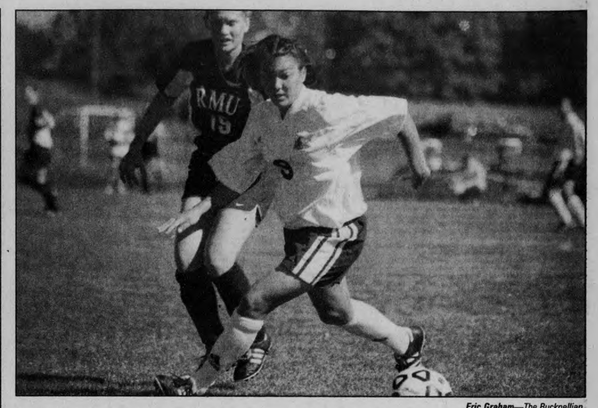
Tough defense from Michelle Santonacita '05 helped against Robert Morris.



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Forward Suzanne Arata '06 helped the Bison dominate the first half of the game.

By Dave Cohen
Senior Writer

The Bucknell women's soccer team snapped a three-game losing streak on Oct. 6 as it tied Robert Morris 3-3 in double overtime. Bucknell's overall record went to 5-4-1 following the game.

It took only nine minutes for Robert Morris to get on the board. The Bison quickly responded and in the 22nd minute Meghann Chipko '05 evened the game up at one apiece. She was relieved that everything the team had worked on at practice had come together.

"Coach had been saying before the game for the outside hash to saw the ball back to people running at the goal," Chipko said. "I was in the right place at the right time. It seemed like everything that coach had been saying came together. I would say that we knew that someone needed to step up and I was fortunate enough to be the one to do it."

When Ashley Dincher '05 scored in the 31st minute, Bucknell took a lead 2-1 into the half. Chipko thought that the Dincher goal was an indication that the team would take ultimate control of the game. Outstanding plays by Robert Morris kept the Orange and Blue from achieving this goal.

"We were dominating the game, and when Ashley scored we really felt like we would win the game, but they had some amazing shots that there was nothing we could do about," Chipko said.

When Tara Utchel '03 tallied her fourth goal of the season in the 55th minute, the Bison looked to be cruising to a victory. Just three and a half minutes later Robert Morris cut the lead to 3-2 with a goal. With about one minute remaining in regulation, a clutch goal by Robert Morris's Angela Story from outside the box tied the game at 3. Utchel expressed her disappointment that the team squandered its lead, but she remained optimistic about the offense returning to life.

"We were up 3-1 and we really thought we were going to pull it away," Utchel said. "It was disappointing that we didn't win, but on the other hand, we scored three goals, which we hadn't done in a while. We solved our scoring problem, but I guess that wasn't enough to win. We have been having a problem connecting passes to each other, losing the ball in the midfield when we shouldn't and we are not executing all the simple aspects of the game. If we can put the simple things together I think we will be able to do well."

Emily Keber '03 expressed her frustration as well, but she is optimistic about the positives that emerged from the tie.

"It was frustrating because we were really happy because we hadn't scored in a while," Keber said. "It felt like we were out of our rut of losing until they tied it up. I guess you can look at it positively that we did score and we didn't lose. I think the last shot was unfortunate and so that was a letdown, but to not give up any goals in overtime showed that we can stop people, we just need to have that mindset throughout the game."

Through two grueling overtime periods, both defenses indeed took over and the game concluded with an even score.

Utchel tallied 13 shots on the day, while Chipko had seven attempts herself. The Orange and Blue outshot the Colonials by a lopsided 43-14 margin.

Bison take 13-10 OT loss in Patriot League opener

By Cory Nadler
Senior Writer

The Bucknell football team lost its second overtime match-up of the year on Saturday in a defensive struggle against league rival Colgate. Wide receiver Jim Horan '04 garnered player of the game honors, hauling in four passes for 68 yards and a touchdown in the 13-10 losing effort.

From the looks of the first few drives of the game, it seemed as though this grudge match would end in a scoreless tie. Finally, on the last drive of the first quarter, Colgate began to move the ball. The team drove down the field, going 80 yards in eight plays, and the scoring drive was capped off by a 25-yard touchdown pass to give the Raiders a 7-0 lead at the end of the first quarter.

On the ensuing drive, the legs of running back Blamah Sarnor '06 and the arm of quarterback Todd Wenrich '03 combined to move the Bison into the Colgate red zone. After going 74 yards in 14 plays and chewing up over six minutes off the clock, the Bison had to settle for a 22-yard field goal by Chris Lundberg '03 to make the score 7-3 early in the second quarter. Both defensive units took over for the remainder of the first half and the Bison went into the locker room with a 7-3 deficit.

The Bison took the ball first in the second half, but were unable to produce any points. On Colgate's first possession of the half, Anthony Lewis '05 forced a fumble following a Raider reception, and Mike Leatherman '04 picked it up and ran 15 yards to the Colgate 23-yard line. On the next play, Wenrich connected with Horan for a 23-yard touchdown pass to give the Bison a 10-7 lead with nine

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Fan support was high for the Bison squad against Colgate.

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The men's cross country team had a number of finishers in the top 20, including Bryan Johnston '03, who placed third with a time of 25:02.

Women place first at Gulden Invitational

By Evan Honeyfield
Writer

Sunny skies and mild temperatures welcomed eight teams to Lewisburg for the second annual Gulden Cross Country Invitational, including 19th-ranked Central Michigan on the men's side and division II power Indiana University of Pennsylvania (IUP) on the women's side. Bucknell's women's team used strong pack running to win the meet, while the men's team was once again troubled by inconsistency, resulting in a third-place finish.

The Lady Bison, with 33 points, handily defeated their nearest competition, IUP, with 68 points, which was last ranked 12th in NCAA division II. Theresa Dennis '03 led the team with her third-place effort. Although IUP's top runner won the individual title, a 13-second spread from the Bison's second to fifth runners gave Bucknell the team trophy.

"Theresa ran her best race of the season and we had a pack of five ladies running together for the first three miles and moving up in their placing

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Sports

Football falls in overtime

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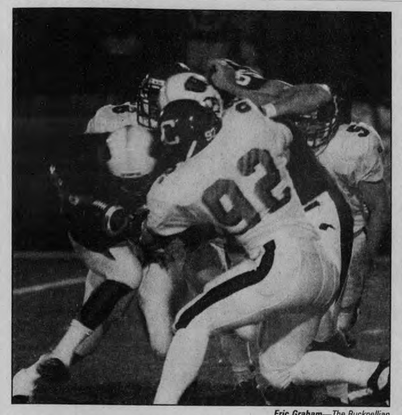

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The Bison offense moved the ball effectively throughout the game.

minutes remaining in the third quarter.

The Bison defense held the Raiders for the remainder of the third quarter. On its first possession of the fourth quarter, Colgate made its way down the Bison 3-yard line.

Bucknell's red zone defense continued to play strong and forced the Raiders to settle for a game-tying field goal from 20 yards out. The score was tied at 10 with exactly nine minutes remaining in regulation.

Following a Wenrich interception, the Bison defense was put to the test yet again when a defensive holding penalty kept the next Colgate drive alive. The Bison forced a Colgate punt. Frank Lazio '05 capitalized on a bad snap and blocked the punt, which was recovered by Jared Marsilio '04 at the Bucknell 49-yard line.

Three plays later, Wenrich fumbled the ball and it was recovered by Colgate at the Raider's 27-yard line. Colgate moved the ball well into Bison territory, but Adam Minggia '03 picked off a Colgate pass at the Bucknell 10 yard line. The Bison could not capitalize on the turnover and were forced to punt.

The Raiders moved the ball 39 yards in six plays, to the Bucknell 21-yard line. With five seconds remaining in the game, the Raiders had a 38-yard field goal attempt to win the game. Joe Massey '03 surged through the line and partially blocked the kick to send the game into overtime.

"I just got lucky; we got a good push up front and I got the hands up," Massey said.

Bucknell had the first try in the extra period and was able to move the ball to the Colgate 9 yard line, thanks to a 20-yard pass from Wenrich to Horan on a third down and long play. Wenrich finished the day completing 17 of 32 passes for 204 yards and one touchdown. The Bison were not able to punch the ball into the end zone and Lundberg came on to attempt a 26-yard field goal. A poor snap led to Lundberg's kick coming up short.

"The ball never really got placed down properly. Chris never got a chance to kick it," Head Coach Dave Kotulski said.

Colgate was able to move to ball to the Bucknell 7-yard line during its overtime possession. The Raider's kicker came on and knocked through a 24-yard field goal to give Colgate a 13-10 victory and drop the Bison record to 2-3 so far this season and 0-1 in the Patriot League.

It was obvious that these two teams were very evenly matched on Saturday afternoon.

"We are very similar football teams, we play good defense and like to run the ball," Colgate Head Coach Dick Biddle said.

"It's a great rivalry, both teams pride themselves on being physical football teams," Kotulski said.

The Bucknell defense was impressive for the fifth straight weekend, keeping a powerful Colgate team to just 13 points.

"We did well up front, and battle on every down," Massey said.

"The kids played their hearts out, but they made more plays than we did at the end," Kotulski said.

The Bison offense moved the ball effectively throughout the game as well, but were unable to capitalize when they needed to.

"We expected to have difficulty, and they caused some problems for us," Kotulski said. "They came at us from a lot of different directions, their scheme was a little different than what we saw."

After a bye week this weekend, the Bison travel to Towson University on Saturday, Oct. 19.

"We still have six Patriot League games to play, and now we have to get ready for Towson," Kotulski said.

Athlete of the Week

Adam Edwards '06

By Josh Herwitt
Writer

Though just 18 years old, the presence of Adam Edwards '06 in goal has contributed largely to the success of the Bucknell soccer team. His outstanding play has made a huge impression on teammates, coaches and soccer fans alike.

Edwards grew up in Downingtown, Pa., a typical suburban area, located 30 miles southwest of Philadelphia. Edwards began playing soccer at the age of six and moved to goalkeeper around the age of nine.

Attending a large, public high school with a graduating class of 642, he earned four varsity letters in soccer as well as an array of other team and individual awards, including back to back PIAA AAA High School State Championships (1998 and 1999 seasons), Adidas/NSCAA High School All-American, 2001 *Philadelphia Inquirer* Player of the Year, *Daily Local News* Player of the Year and ChesMont League MVP.

Courtesy of The Bucknell Online Directory

Edwards has already become a staple of Bison soccer.

High school and college have different levels of play and focus on academics.

"Play at the college level is much faster than high school," Edwards said. "The players are much more physical and stronger than those at the high school level. The stress placed on academics is much greater as well."

Even with this new pace on the field and expectation inside the classroom, having Edwards in goal has strengthened the Bison defense.

"Adam's play this year has been outstanding and is a huge factor in our success so far this season," Michael Lookingland II '05 said. "He has come up with many key saves. He also brings good leadership, nobody looks at him as being a freshman and he has already matured a lot and will definitely be one of the leaders of this program for years to come. It's great to have someone in goal that you have confidence in, and you know can come up with some great save when it counts."

Edwards said there are many significant factors that have led to a successful season so far.

"The key to the team's success, in my opinion, has been our hard work," Edwards said. "It was apparent from the beginning of preseason that our team was intense. We take pride in our fitness and our hard work and hope that when we play a team with better skill than us, we will be able to outwork them."

Through this hard work, the defense has recorded seven shutouts out of the 10 games this season.

Edwards' outstanding performance in goal has many noticing him already as one of the best goalkeepers. He was named Rookie of the Week twice and been nationally listed with the third-lowest average for goals allowed.

"Adam has solidified our [defense] this year. Right now Adam is getting a lot of attention. Other teams talk about his presence in goal," Head Coach Brendan Nash said. "Adam is big, strong and very confident during a game. Each time he goes out there he expects to win and get a shutout. His confidence is now starting to branch out to the rest of the team. We feel very comfortable with Adam in goal and feel like we have a pretty good present and an even better future with him."

With these awards comes the pressure of maintaining a certain caliber of performance. Being a first-year student and playing in goal has definitely brought Edwards attention as well as pressure to perform at this high level. Edwards said that he credits his defense for relieving some of this pressure.

"I do feel there is pressure being a freshmen goalkeeper, but there's always pressure on the goalkeeper," he said. "However, the defense has been playing exceptionally well and that has helped take pressure off of me. They are often overlooked when it comes to statistics and the likes."

With Edwards' presence in goal and the defense's strong performance, it could be very difficult for any team to score on the Bison this season.

Field Hockey shuts out Lehigh

By Ashley Hall
Writer

The Bucknell field hockey team shut out Lehigh 2-0 on Saturday, Oct. 5, bringing its overall record to 5-6, and 2-2 in Patriot League play. This was the second shutout for goalie Sonja Wettergreen '03, who stopped five shots.

The game was scoreless until the final nine minutes when Cara Turner '05 scored her first goal this year with 8 minutes, 56 seconds left in the half. Amy Marvel '03 scored the next goal off a penalty corner with only 33 seconds left to play, putting Bucknell ahead by two before the half. Bucknell had 15 penalty shots this game, while Lehigh had six.

"Saturday was an awesome game. I think it was one of the first games recently that the team has gone out with such intensity and drive," Turner said. "I just want to make sure the team keeps going out strong the rest of the season, as we have been, so that we get a chance to play in the Patriot League Championship."

The Lady Mountain Hawks of Lehigh were outshot 23-7 in the match. Only one of these shots was allowed in the first half, in comparison to Bucknell's 15 shots before the break. Lehigh keeper Jeanine Hoff had 14 saves overall, with 11 of them in the first half.

"Our win over Lehigh was critical in our being able to stay alive in the league. More importantly though, it was a great confidence builder for our entire team to get a big win over a Patriot League school," Marvel said. "We played hard for 70 minutes and battled the entire time. The win felt so good and we are going to take this positive energy into the rest of our games."

This win for the Bison in Patriot League play brings Bucknell's record to 2-2 in the league and 5-6 overall.

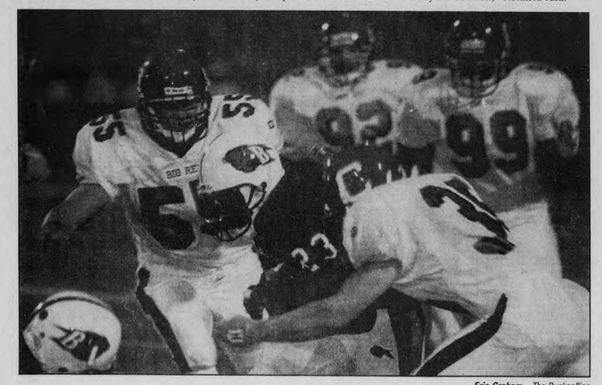
Following the victory was a Tuesday-night showdown with tough competitor Penn State. The 6-ranked Nittany Lions proved to be a handful for Bucknell, as they ran away from the Bison in an 8-0 victory.

Five of Penn State's eight goals came about in the first half, while the Bison did not manage any shots in the opening portions of the game. Although they still couldn't score against the potent Penn State defense, the Orange and Blue did manage three shots in the second half. Kirstin Nilsen '06 was responsible for two of them, while Meiko Boynton '05 took the other. Wettergreen had 11 saves during her time in the net.

While the final score was not exactly what the team wanted, the game was a valuable experience for the Bison, as many of the younger players got a chance to go up against a top-10 team for the first time.

The Bison fell to 5-7 with the loss, but did not scar their .500 Patriot League record.

The Lady Bison hope to return to their winning trend at home against Quinnipiac this weekend. Game time is at 7 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 11.



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Blamah Sarnor '06, shown here during the Cornell game, led the Bison ground attack last Saturday.

Bucknell Statistics

Cross Country
Gulden Invitational
Men's *3rd*
Notables: 3. Johnston 12. Palma 15. Furst
Women's *1st*
Notables: 3. Dennis 6. Halloran 7. Piper 8. Gow 10. Cole

Football
Bucknell 10
Colgate 13 OT
Passing: Wenrich 17-32-1-204 Rushing: Sarnor 22-69, Wenrich 16-17

Soccer
Men's
Bucknell 0
American 3
Saves: Edwards 6
Women's
Bucknell 3
Robert Morris 3 2OT
Goals: Chipko, Utchel, Dincher
Saves: Purse 2, Kannen 4

Golf
Men's *ECAC Championship 12th, 639*
Notables: 26. Valentine 41. Lane
Women's *Penn State Fall Invitational 13th, 990*
Notables: 52. Campbell 57. Hetrich

Field Hockey
Bucknell 2
Lehigh 0
Goals: Marvel, Turner
Saves: Wettergreen 5

Volleyball
Bucknell 1
American 3
(30-28, 30-34, 27-30, 30-26)

Bucknell 3
Navy 0
(33-31, 30-26, 30-22)

Men's Tennis
Bucknell 7
Franklin & Marshall 0
Winners: Tien, Donofrio, Menezes, Jacobs, Salam, DiChiara

Bucknell Calendar

Volleyball at Holy Cross
Friday, Oct. 11
7 p.m.

Men's Golf at Stabler Invitational
Sunday, Oct. 13

Men's Water Polo Claremont Convergence
Friday, Oct. 11

Women's Golf ECAC Championship
Fri., Oct. 11 and Sat., Oct. 12

Women's Soccer at Army
Sat., Oct. 12
7 p.m.

Volleyball at Navy
Saturday, Oct. 11
7 p.m.

Men's Tennis at PL Flighted Championship
Saturday, Oct. 12

Men's Soccer at Sacred Heart
Sunday, Oct. 12
2 p.m.

Field Hockey vs. Quinnipiac
Friday, Oct. 11
7 p.m.

Sports Ops

Cecily Cairns Classic Corner

Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

Fortune from hell; match made in heaven

Gene Mauch must be proud. After all, this year's American League Championship Series will be contested by two franchises he once managed during his infamously tumultuous reign over the world of misfortune. Some people say that Mauch was cursed. If that's true, then perhaps it would be accurate to say that some of his damnation flaked off onto the Twins and the Angels.

When it comes to the Anaheim Angels, foul luck has nestled itself deep beneath the languid roots that constitute the team's past. For the Minnesota Twins, misfortune is infesting and suffocating the bright green buds that were once poised to bloom into the franchise's future.

One team has a past from hell; one has a future of nightmares. It's difficult to decide which team's circumstances cry out the most for salvation.

The Angels' miscues began in 1982, when they squared off with the Milwaukee Brewers in the five-game ALCS. The outlook was bright for Mauch's crew after the first two games, which the Angels won 8-3 and 4-2. With a 2-0 lead in the series, all they had to do was win one game out of the next three. One victory, and the California Angels would have been exalted to World Series status for the first time in their 22 years of existence. But this was Gene Mauch's team—the same Gene Mauch whose 1964 Phillies dropped a six-and-a-half game lead in the National League pennant race in the last 12 games of the season, largely in part to a stupefying 10-game losing streak.

The Angels did their best Phillies impression during the final three games of the 1982 ALCS, dropping all three and shutting themselves out of a World Series berth. They put the corks back on the champagne and crawled away with their tails between their legs.

They were back, Mauch and all, in 1986. This time around, they'd be facing the Boston Red Sox, a team that was the undisputed champion of bad breaks, close losses and embarrassing downfalls. Surely no team could be more adept at bungling guaranteed victories in the final moments than the Red Sox. Surely no one could out-fumble them at their own specialty.

Well, the 1986 Angels managed. This time they had another juicy lead—three games to one—on their table and, again, they'd need to win just one of the final three contests. Still reeling from the 1982 incident, California took care of business early in 1986. Almost.

In an eventful game five, the Angels were ready to barge into the World Series, and this time the celebration couldn't possibly be premature. They had a 5-2 lead going into the ninth inning, and a lot of reason to believe they could keep it. Maybe things got a little shaky when Don Baylor lobbed off a home run to drag the Red Sox within one run, but relief pitcher Donnie Moore seemed to get things back on track against Dave Henderson. Two outs, two strikes. Now all the Angels needed was one pitch to get to the Series.

Instead, Moore gave up two runs. Henderson awkwardly dunked the pitcher's forkball over the left-field fence, and just like that, all hell broke loose for the Angels. They offered one last flicker of hope with a one-run rally in the bottom of the inning to send the game into extra innings, but Henderson had a little misery left to inflict upon the battered Angels, winning the game with a sacrifice fly in the 11th inning.

Sure, the Angels had two more games during which they could feasibly win the series. But it was too late. Their wings were shattered, their halos crushed; the next two games were simply a long, slow death for California. Then they went back home, losers again, and left the suffering to the Red Sox.

Since then, the Angels have been moved to Anaheim and purchased by Disney, a company that owns the market on happy endings and everything else. Mauch is long gone; Mike Sciosia now holds the steering wheel. For the Angels, optimism is poking its way through the dark clouds that line the past.

Amazingly enough, though, the Angels may not be the most desperate team competing for the American League pennant this year. For the Twins, it's the future—or lack thereof—that puts a damper on the team's accomplishments. The franchise, which has been a part of Minnesota since 1961 and a part of the American League since its inception, is one of two that has been scheduled for execution, a.k.a. contraction.

Sure, the Twins made it to and won the World Series twice in the past 15 years, and, despite the overall abysmal background from their Washington Senators days, they haven't exactly experienced the unpleasant twists of fate that the Angels have endured. They've made up for it in the past year, though. The 2002 season, for the Twins, was simply 162 days of borrowed time, and you can bet they'll try to scrape every last game from their rapidly evaporating lifeline.

So who deserves to win this battle of the bruised? Who is more desperately in need of deliverance? The Twins have had their day in the sun, but then again, the Angels will at least survive to see another sunrise. It's almost impossible to decide which team the almighty whims of justice ought to swing in favor of.

That these two teams should end up squaring off in the ALCS is so improbable that it's a bit benumbing. It's hard to say which is worse: a past of blunders and blown opportunities or a future of haunting irresolution.

Either way, in 2002, one team's painful past combined with another's bleak future has oddly produced a perplexingly enjoyable present.

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Aaron DeRosa
Sports Editor

Thus spake Zarathustra

So I really took a pounding in my predictions last week. I haven't seen picks that horrendous since the casting for "Lake Placid." Let's get one thing straight, Bill Pullman's career ended after "Spaceballs": stop hiring that man. Besides, who would have thought the Yankees would go down faster than pets.com stock and that the Minnesota Kontraction-Kids would survive against an Oakland pitching staff that has more notches on its belt than the "Ladies Man" and the Kennedys combined?

Now before I go into some real, cutting edge, original and insightful analysis of the teams still in the hunt, I want to address some rumors I heard about the remaining teams and the economics of baseball. People have been saying that the success of these low payroll teams proves that money has no effect on the success of a team. To you people, I implore that you not be ignorant followers of conservative-minded corporate goons who like to spread lies with the frequency of a cheap ham radio. Money still remains one of the central diseases that preys on major-league baseball.

I don't claim that the Yankees buy championships, but I would claim it buys them a dynasty. I don't think that anyone will say that if you put down $4 million a game, you're going to win it bar none, save maybe Pete Rose. But the important distinction that I'm drawing here is between a dynastic team and a winning team. The New York Yankees fall under the former category, the Oakland Athletics under the latter. New York is the Ming Dynasty to Oakland's Deng Xiaoping. The Yankees monetary flexibility allows them to resign the players they want and to keep their team intact as they see fit.

Now, for stingier teams, this isn't an option. When Miguel Tejeda's, Tim Hudson's and Barry Zito's contracts expire and the Oakland front office refuses to pay their high asking prices, you will see this team collapse with the rapacity and frenetic diligence of a coke-addicted squirrel the morning before the winter solstice, causing a team-wide evacuation the likes of which haven't been seen since Chernobyl. When Giambi left, they lost a key component, but certainly not everything. Rest assured, if a team can't make high salary commitments to elite players like Tejada and Mulder, they can't succeed. A good team balances youth and experience.

These teams may have successful years, and indeed may win the Series, but where will they be in three years? Pumping gas outside outside Texaco with Uni-brow, the lazy-eyed squeegee operator with an affinity for raspberry swizzle sticks and putting his hands up a muffler, that's where.

Now this argument is NOT a condemnation of the Yankees (or other upper payroll teams). This is merely to prove that Minnesota, Oakland and Anaheim may have successful years, and indeed may win the Series, but where will they be in three years? Pumping gas outside outside Texaco with Uni-brow, the lazy-eyed squeegee operator with an affinity for raspberry swizzle sticks and putting his hand over the end of the muffler, that's where.

Just to elucidate this point a little better, out of the 16 teams in the top half of payrolls, 10 of those teams had winning records this season. Out of the 16 teams in the bottom half of payrolls, only three had winning records, those teams being Oakland, Minnesota and the Montreal Expos (and two of those teams are contraction candidates). Now try to tell me money has no effect on the competitive balance of the game.

Anyway, I think I've said my piece and I'll thank you very much not to get me all riled up like that again. Before I get into the matchups I just want to make vividly clear my intense and utter dislike for Barry Bonds. I do not know where this animosity began, nor do I care. It has become a perfectly healthy eccentricity. Perhaps it is because of his truculence with the media, his suspected steroid usage, his one-man-team philosophy, his easy-to-manage hairstyle or his thick, humongous bat that would be enough to make Ron Jeremy's face go green with envy. Regardless of my reasoning, I plan on continuing this resentment until either he retires or his team wins.

Now with that said, let us point the critical magnifying phallus at our four contestants. Vanna, who do we have this year?

The Anaheim Angels showed some great poise against the Yankees in their last series. Their offense was sparked, their pitching was on and they capitalized on miscues and a weak bullpen. No one thought they'd make it this far and the same goes for the Twins who out-dueled one of the best starting rotations in baseball. But then again, the Angels did as well. This will probably be the most exciting of the postseason serieses … eses … es.

I'm banking on some sort of quarterback controversy bringing the now-stumbling New England Patriots to an early exit … wait, baseball … right. Uh, let's saaaaay … Twins, because they wear pinstripes and October is all about pinstripes right? Yeah, the Yanks are taking credit for that too, I'm sure. Cretins.

In the NL, I couldn't think of a duller series. The Giants are uninspired and the Cardinals aren't anything to write a poem about either. I will say that Pujols has to be the coolest name in all of baseball though. It works with everything … "park your pujols right there mister," "May I have a kiwi and pujols please?" or my personal favorite, "your pujol seems to be leaking."

Around the globe in 800 words or less

Scott Kloss
Senior Writer

"I'm a great believer in luck, and I find the harder I work the more I have of it." Words spoken by a true champion, Thomas Jefferson.

There we were, out on the tennis courts for the first time in years. DT, "I want Mel," "Tillie-Me" and I trekked up past the new gymnasium, (which, by the way, has a sweet view of the swimming facilities) on our way to an important realization. While we were smashing the tennis ball over the net, it came to me that luck has EVERYTHING to do with it!

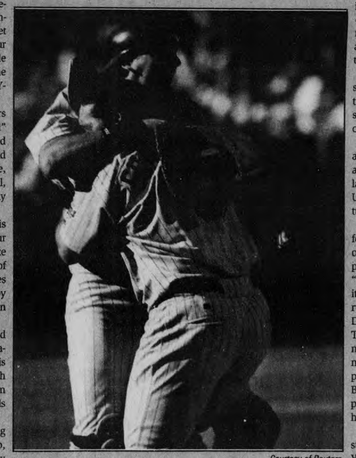
My teammate and I were the amateurs facing the seasoned vets of "I want Mel" and DT, and no matter how clever we tried to be with our drop shots and forehand line shots, there was an inexplicable force, kind of like hitting a ball against a wall, returning each and every shot back in my court in most unpleasant spots.

You see I realized that talent alone is not the deterministic force in sports at our level, but practice. Sure heart can take you so far, but the repetitive motion of practicing and polishing your skills relaxes the body under pressure situations thereby increasing your luck factor! With that in mind, who got lucky this weekend?

America's pastime is getting down and dirty with four teams left in the 2002 season. It's the misfit, "Excuse me, where is your invitation?," final four of baseball with the Anaheim Angels, Minnesota Twins, San Francisco Giants and St. Louis Cardinals representing the few and the proud.

Did you notice who will be watching from the 50-inch screen this playoff—yep, Derek Jeter, Raul Mondesi and the New York Yankees. That's right, kiddos, the Decker Effect prevailed and all $120 million-plus of the Yankees' salary couldn't break the bank to the World Series. Hmmm, makes me believe that the "Angels in the Outfield" movie was a premonition of this year!

Let's get right down to predictions for the granddaddy of them all, the World Series. Personally, I'd like to see a matchup between the Twins and Cardinals. First off, I side with the Cards because of all they have had to endure this year with the passing of pitcher Darryl Kile and announcer Jack Buck. I ran into one of my hallmates at the Bison's Subversions. When we stopped watching ESPN on the huge television, he told me that he was from St. Louis and that there was something mystical taking place there. How can you not agree with that?



Courtesy of Reuters

The Minnesota Twins are among the four unlikely ALCS teams.

As for the Twins, well, they have simply smacked commissioner Bud Selig in the face. I mean, he tried to force baseball out of Minnesota by contracting the Twins from the major leagues, but justice prevailed and now he is sipping down the Pepto-Bismol to the tune of Fuel's "Bad Day."

The Minnesota Twins include the defensive prowess of Tori Hunter and surprise batting sensation Jacques Jones, who used his summer of hitting instruction from future hall of famer Tony Gwynn well.

To the gridiron. Another week of football and another loss for the Rams. Now I'm well aware that Catholic girls start "waaaayy" too late, but the Rams need a kick-start. Unfortunately, there is no light at the end of the tunnel with Kurt Warner out for 6-8 weeks.

The undefeated Raiders look like they are for real, and with a defense that gives the offensive a run for its money with scoring points, opposing teams are crying, "Cheaters!" The Pats are coming back to reality and the Dolphins, with newly acquired running back Rickey Williams and former Dallas Cowboy offensive coordinator Norv Turner, have orchestrated a winning combination in a city that cashed in frequent flier miles at the hand of Dan Marino for years past. And watch Bills quarterback Drew Bledsoe, who is averaging near 400 yards passing per game. If he keeps up this pace, he will set the single-season record.

Down the stretch. A Houston television station reported that Chinese basketball giant Yao Ming has signed a three-year contract with the Houston Rockets. The 7-foot-5-inch No. 1 pick in the June draft will look to fill the shoes of all-star Hakim Olajuwon. The NHL season has officially begun so turn your televisions to FOX and ESPN. Maybe we will see that red highlighted puck again!

Well, it's been a pleasure sharing with you some personal moments and update you on the major sports headlines from the week past. Until next week!

NFL Predictions

Justin McCarthy
Senior Writer
(13-12)

Pittsburgh (1-3) at Cincinnati (0-5)
The Steelers need to stop one person in order to defeat the Bengals . . . Corey Dillon. the Saints' rushing attack beat Pittsburgh last week, so they better hope they addressed that problem or they will face the consequences. Cincinnati has been blown out in all but one of their games; which bodes well for the Steelers. They are led by Tommy Maddux, who had a strong game last week, in his first start since his 1992 rookie season. The Steelers' rushing attack showed some signs of revival last week, so as long as they build on that progress, the Steelers will continue Cincinnati's victory drought.

Kansas City (3-2) at San Diego (4-1)
With all the horrible teams in the league who would think that the Chiefs at 3-2 would be last in their division? The Chiefs have been putting up sick numbers offensively, scoring the most points in the league and averaging just over 34 points a game. However, their defense is as soft as a down pillow; they are allowing just over 31 points a game, and turning any game they play into an offensive shootout. So the question is, can K.C. afford to get into a shootout with the second best defense in the AFC? NO!

Miami (4-1) at Denver (4-1)
Miami is ranked in the top 5 in many offensive categories, led by the NFL's second leading rusher, Ricky Williams. This matchup will certainly test that offensive power, going up against the AFC's leading defense. Denver held the NFL's leading rusher, LaDainian Tomlinson, to 48 yards on 14 carries last week. Expect Williams to face the same harsh defense. Both teams are coming off huge wins last week, so expect them to enter the game with lots of momentum. The Dolphins have won the last 5 meetings between these two teams, and expect that trend to continue.

Green Bay (4-1) at New England (3-2)
After starting hot, the Patriots have dropped two in a row and don't look as formidable as they once did. The Packers possess the NFC's leading offense, led by Brett Favre and supported by Ahman Green, who rank first and second in the NFC for total yardage at their respective positions. The spotlight is on ex-Patriot WR Terry Glenn, who I'm sure would love to have a huge game against the team that snubbed him last season. Flack's Patriots are going down to the Pack, cause the Pack ain't cuttin' the Patriots any slack!

San Francisco (3-1) at Seattle (1-3)
Do I even need to say anything about this game? Ok, so the Seahawks have Shaun Alexander, but the Niners have a RB duo in Hearst and Barlow that has rushed for 431 yards in its last two games. This game will be dominated by the runningbacks, but the 49ers defense will be the deciding factor, for they have allowed the fewest points in the NFL. Niners should win quite comfortably.

TRIVIA

By Justin McCarthy

1. What two NFL QBs share the record for most career TD passes in OT with three each?
2. When was the last time the Anaheim Angels won a playoff series, before they defeated the Yankees this postseason?
3. Name the franchises that have won the most championships in each of the four major professional sports.

1. Terry Bradshaw & Drew Bledsoe; 2. They NEVER won a postseason series prior to this; 3. MLB — N.Y. Yankees; 26, NHL — Montreal Canadiens; 23, NBA — Boston Celtics; 16, NFL — Green Bay Packers; 12.

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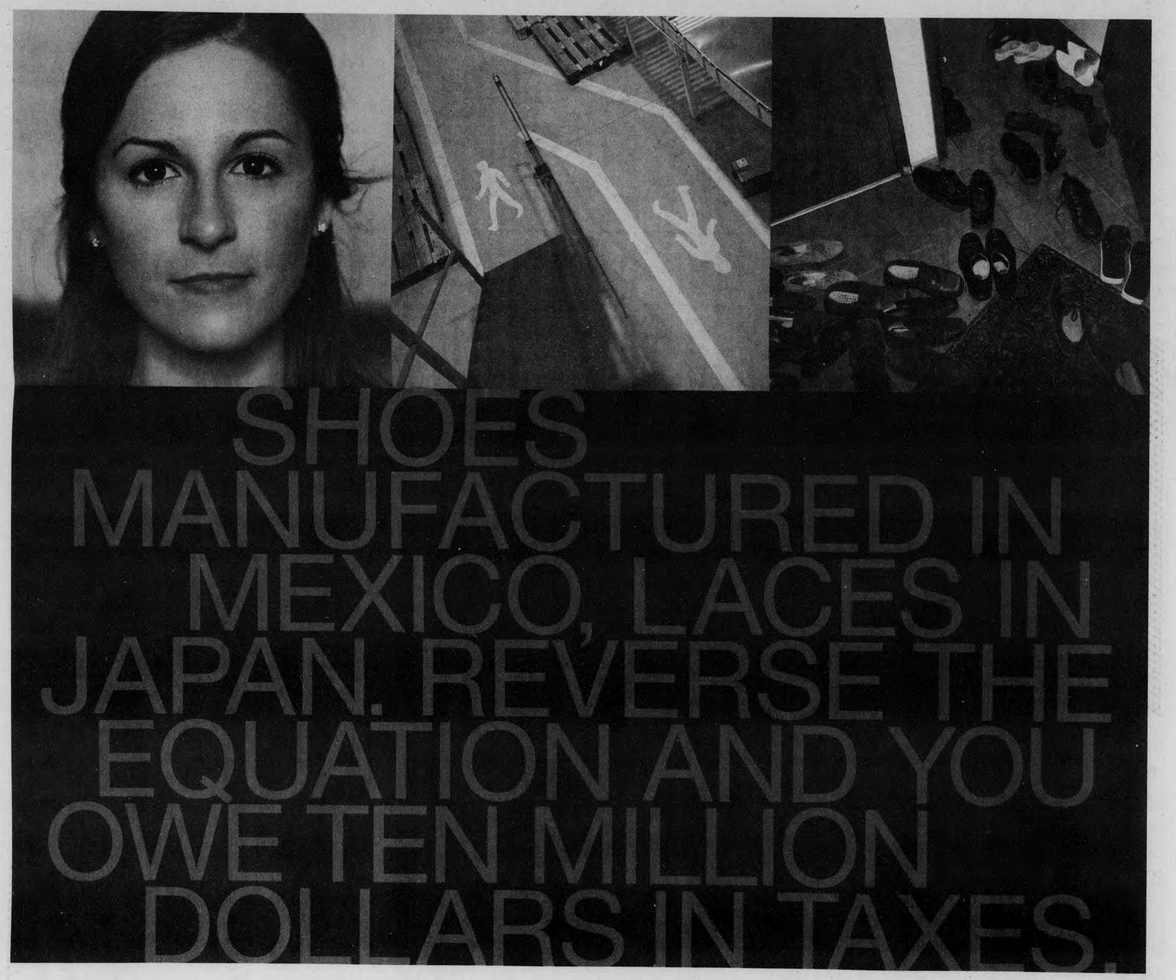

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Sports

X-country stellar yet again

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throughout the race," Head Coach Kevin Donner said. "They fed off of each other's energy and enabled us to easily win the team title."

When the pace heated, only Kayla Halloran '06, Niki Piper '03, Jamie Gow '03 and Alison Cole '03 were able to stay together. The foursome's effort was more than enough for the win, but Rachel Tutmaher '06 and Katie Pfeifer '05 also gave strong performances that would have compensated had the pack faltered.

"It was by far our best team race of the season," Donner said.

Women's Results 6K

Finisher	Place	Time
Theresa Dennis	3rd	22:45
Kayla Halloran	6th	23:41
Niki Piper	7th	23:51
Jamie Gow	8th	23:52
Alison Cole	9th	23:54
Rachel Tutmaher	11th	24:14
Katie Pfeifer	12th	24:18

Although the men faced a much stiffer challenge in Central Michigan, they could have learned something by watching the effect of the pack in the women's race. Running without top runner Greg Costello '03, the men, with 58 points, fell not only to CMU (26 points), but also to Canisius (53 points).

Even though they ran below expectations as a team, many individuals performed well. Bryan Johnston '03 continued a fine season by placing third, losing only to Shawn Algiers and Shane LeBeau from CMU. Wes Rheinhart '04 rebounded nicely after a sub-par performance last week by finishing 10th and Lou Palma '03 finally broke into the top five on the team by finishing 12th. The Bison's fourth and fifth runners each had big individual days.

"We received big races from Eric Furst '04 and especially Dan Lounsbury '05," Donner said.

The season outcome of the men will largely be based on getting Costello healthy and running consistently in the second half of the season.

"We have not had a race where our projected top five have run to their potential. It seems like we always have one or two that have bad races. With the intense schedule that we are running—the inconsistencies become very exposed," Donner said.

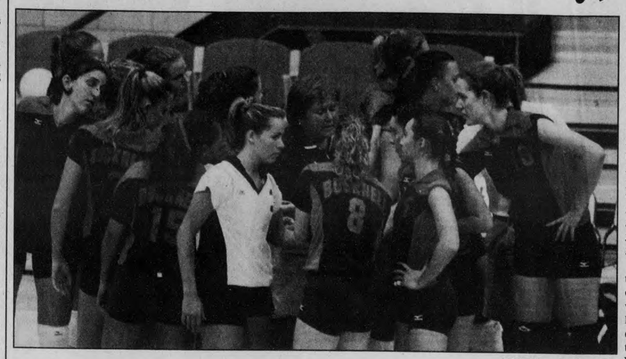
Men's Results 8K

Finisher	Place	Time
Bryan Johnston	3rd	25:02
Wes Reinhardt	10th	25:38
Lou Palma	12th	25:38
Eric Furst	15th	25:50
Dan Lounsbury	18th	25:57
K.C. Brown	21st	26:02

The women's future success will be based on keeping a number of injury-prone girls healthy and the synergistic effects of the pack.

The Bison travel to the Pre-National meet at Indiana State on Oct. 19. As always, this meet gives the teams a chance to see how they compare to the rest of the country and to pick up valuable at-large points should they be on the bubble for nationals at season's end.

Volleyball defeats Navy, 3-0



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

The women's volleyball team was victorious over Navy, 3-0. It gave Navy its first Patriot League loss of the 2002 season.

By Brent Butler
Sports Editor

The Bison volleyball team has hovered around the .500 mark the entire season, and this past week has been no exception. After being defeated by last year's Patriot League champion, American University, on Friday, Oct. 4, Bucknell rebounded to defeat Navy, 3-0. With the win over Navy, Bucknell improved to 8-8 overall and 2-2 in the Patriot League.

"I feel that if we play our game, we will be very successful in the Patriot League. We have to go into our next matches with confidence and prove to everyone how good we actually are. We have a very tough league and are going to have to play together as a team to be successful," Chelsea Anderson '06 said.

Bucknell women's volleyball was victorious over Navy, 3-0, on Saturday night and gave Navy their first Patriot League loss of the 2002 season. Melanie Ghiz '03 led the team with 15 kills and added 4 block assists for the night, while Brandi Trapasso '04 led the team in digs with 16 and added nine kills in the winning effort.

Bucknell won the first game in a close 33-31 victory. In the first game, Ghiz and Brandi Trapasso had five and four kills, respectively. In the second game, Bucknell defeated Navy 30-26, and in the third game, the Bison easily defeated Navy 30-22. Jennifer Wrigley '03 had 11 digs in the win and Breean Trapasso '04 averaged 11 assists in the match. The team worked together to make a total of 12 block assists.

On Friday night Bucknell were defeated by American University, 3-1. Brandi Trapasso led the team with 25 digs, while Jackie Leahy '05 marked 14 kills for Bucknell.

"Both American and Navy are really good teams and they have been difficult competition in the past," Anderson said. "They are the type of teams, that if we let up at all, they are going to take advantage of it."

Bucknell came out hard against American, but fell to American in the first game of the night with a score of 30-28. The Bison came back and played a tough second game which they lost by a score of 36-34. Bucknell came back and won the third game 30-27, but lost the fourth game, 30-26.

American University is the defending Patriot League champion, and the games were extremely close but the Bison were unable to come out on top. Leahy '05 led the team with 14 kills, while Wrigley and Brandi Trapasso each marked 13 kills. Ghiz completed 11 kills and four solo blocks for the Bison. Brandi Trapasso led the team with 25 digs and Anderson added 12 digs to the Bison effort.

Bucknell relied on a number of different players in their game against American. Chelsea Robertson '05 added 11 digs and Breean Trapasso added 10 digs to go with her 49 assists for Bucknell.

The Bison now hold an 8-8 overall record and are 2-2 in the Patriot League. Bucknell will face Patriot League opponent Holy Cross on Friday, Oct. 11 in Worcester, Mass., and then travels to West Point, N.Y., to face Army on Saturday, Oct. 12.

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(Biology 12)
2 p.m.

Hilltop Film Series: "Point of Order"—Emile de Antonia
(Vaughan Lit. Auditorium)
4:30 p.m. and **8 p.m.**

Cuisine for a Cure
(Larison Dinning Hall)
5-8 p.m.

Shabbat Service & Dinner
(Center for Jewish Life)
5:30 p.m.

Susquehanna Valley Mall Shuttle
(Downhill LC)
6 p.m.

Christians in Action
(McDonnell Hall)
6-10 p.m.

"Spike & Mike's 2001 Classic Festival of Animation"
(Campus Theatre)
7 p.m. and **9 p.m.**

Discussion on "The Importance of Being Earnest"
(Rooke Recital Hall, Weis Music Building)
8 p.m.

Comedy: Steve Bryne
(Bison)
9-11 p.m.

Uptown
9 p.m. to 2 a.m.

"Spy Game"
(LC Forum)
10:30 p.m.

Midnight Mania
(Davis Gym)
10:30 p.m.

Keith Hershberger
(7th Street Cafe)
11 p.m.

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(Downhill LC)
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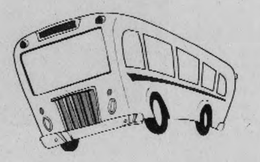

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Theater Showcase: "Glengarry Glen Ross"—David Mamat
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8 p.m.

Simpsons Night
(Bison)
9-12 p.m.

"The And Band"
(Uptown)
9:30 p.m.

"Panic Room"
(Vaughan Lit. Auditorium)
10:30 p.m.

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October 13

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11 a.m.

Catholic Mass
(Rooke Chapel)
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BSG Sunday Meetings
(LC 272)
4:30-7:30 p.m.

"Spike & Mike's 2001 Classic Festival of Animation"
(Campus Theatre)
3 p.m. and **5 p.m.**

"The Best of Will Vinton Studios"
(Campus Theatre)
7 p.m.

Theatre Showcase: "Glengarry Glen Ross"—David Mamat
(Harvey Powers Theatre)
8 p.m.

Circle K
(LC 302)
6:30-8:30 p.m.

Catholic Mass
(Larison Dining Hall)
10 p.m.

Friends Meeting
(Smith Library)
10:30 p.m.

MON
Monday
October 14

ISR: Introduction to Animation with Flash
(Biology 12)
10 a.m.

ISR: Learn Microsoft Office- Word Text & Graphics
(Biology 12)
1:30 p.m.

CDC Jumpstart
(LC 217)
4-5 p.m.

Zen Meditation
(Meditation Chapel)
4 p.m.

Japanimation: "Metropolis"
(Campus Theatre)
7 p.m.

ISR: Designing with Dreamweaver
(Library Lab)
7:30 p.m.

"Spike & Mike's 2001 Classic Festival of Animation"
(Campus Theatre)
9 p.m.

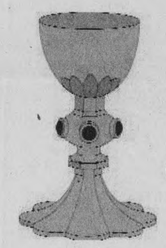
TUE
Tuesday
October 15

Christians in Action
(McDonnell Hall)
6:30-7:30 a.m.

Dr. Cindy Clark: "The Further Uses of Enchantment: Imagination as a Pivot-Point for Human Meaning"
(LC Gallery Theatre)
4-5:15 p.m.

CDC Jumpstart
(LC 217)
4-5 p.m.

Experimental Animation: "Waking Life"
(Campus Theatre)
7 p.m.



"Monty Python and The Holy Grail"
(Coleman 221)
8 p.m.

LGBT Film Series: "Nick & Dari"
(LC Gallery Theatre)
8 p.m.

WED
Wednesday
October 16

Secret Sneaker Sale
(Fieldhouse)
9 a.m.-4 p.m.

ISR: Introduction to PowerPoint
(Biology 12)
1:30 p.m.

CDC Jumpstart
(Biology 221)
5-6 p.m.

Halloween Macabre: "The Films of the Brothers Quay" and Tim Burton's "Vincent"
(Campus Theatre)
7 p.m.

"Spike & Mike's 2001 Classic Festival of Animation"
(Campus Theatre)
9 p.m.

THU
Thursday
October 17

ISR: Access Basics
(Biology 12)
2 p.m.

CDC Jumpstart
(Vaughan Lit. 202)
5-6 p.m.

Fourth Sunday Choir
(Meditation Chapel)
5:30-7 p.m.

Claymation: "Wallace and Gromit; The Wrong Trousers and A Close Shave"
(Campus Theatre)
7 p.m.

Toni Morrison
(Weis Center)
8 p.m.

"Friends" at Uptown
(Uptown)
8 p.m.

"The Well"
(LC 213)
8:30-11 p.m.

"Spike & Mike's 2001 Classic Festival of Animation"
(Campus Theatre)
9 p.m.

Information on The Bucknellian Calendar

Events here were compiled from Reservations, Information and Conference Services (RICS), Activities and Campus Events (ACE) and the Office of Public Relations. In the future, please feel free to submit event information (event name, day and time, location) to **bucknellian@bucknell.edu**, using "Bucknellian Calendar" as the subject. The information on these events is subject to change. Some events are open to members of an organization only.

The sporting event calendar continues to run in the Sports section, this week on page B2.

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Compiled and Edited by Meghan Ball

FEATURES

Reverse abroad perspective: Lewisburg, Pa.

By Eduardo Shinichi Maeyama
Contributing Writer

As an international student, I did not have much of a problem adapting to the new American culture that I now live in. This is probably because I have traveled a lot around the United States and have experienced the way of life and how the people are here. Even then, there were two things that were really different from my home country that have challenged me: the focus on time and the idea of living in a politically correct society.

It has been hard for me to adapt to the strict concern over political correctness. It is a really strange thing to see people trying to be politically correct about sex, race, class, economic opportunity and so many other things all the time. From an extremist view it seems like everyone in this society is paranoid about speaking appropriately.

After analyzing this concept, I agree that it is good to be politically correct. As I come from a country where this idea of political correctness is not highlighted, it sometimes seems really weird and uncomfortable.

Many times it just seems that people are complicating things too much when they try to make an argument or a statement in an acceptable manner.

This has become a challenge to me, as back in Paraguay I had almost no boundaries or limits in the things I could or would say. Coming from a society where people speak without any real concern for being sued for not being politically correct, it was quite an effort to get used to censoring my statements. I am still not completely used to this concept, but I am trying and learning to be as correct as possible.

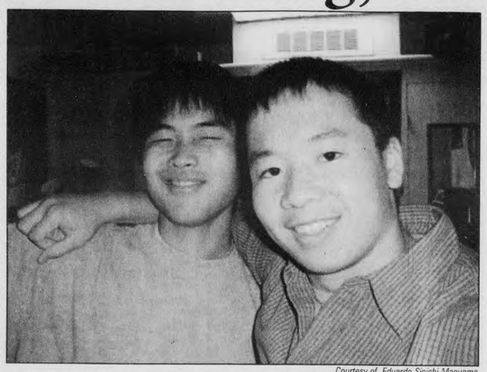
The second thing that has challenged me in this new environment is the different idea of time. Since I was young, I have heard the saying "time is money," but I never learned or cared to know what the real meaning and importance of this saying was until I came to study at the University.

Courtesy of Eduardo Sinichi Maeyama

Maeyama (far right) and his first-year hallmates live in Smith Hall. Originally from Paraguay, Maeyama adjusts to the American culture.

Living in South America, time was relatively important, but in most cases activities were done in a manner where time was less of a concern. In other words, things were done in a laid-back way. We took our time and did things in a much more relaxed manner. An extreme example that represents this is how people scheduled events. If events were scheduled for 9 p.m., people started to come at about 10-10:30 p.m., and events were often extended about an hour or two from its scheduled ending time.

The change from an environment where time was of secondary importance to an environment where everything is strictly reliant on time was a big leap. The University, and probably U.S. society, show the other side of the coin where time management is concerned. On campus, I have strict schedules and programs.



Courtesy of Eduardo Sinichi Maeyama

Eduardo Shinichi Maeyama '06 (left) taking a break with a fellow University student. Maeyama has learned the value of time in American culture.

Often, when I have to follow these schedules, I feel rushed trying to do something, even while eating my meals. Every day, my daily plans have to take into consideration the time that things take (classes, homework, exercise, social life, food, sleep, shower, etc.) in order to pack them in and be able to manage my time and accomplish everything.

As part of this school's demanding engineering program, I have to be especially organized when planning my day. In certain ways, I have become very cheap about time. I am always pressured and concerned about doing things, and often find myself looking at my watch, making sure that I am not taking too much time in that activity.

People seem so stressed by time in this society that many times I think to myself, "No wonder the heart attack and stroke rates in the U.S. population are so high."

On the other hand, I am grateful to be able to experience a life where time is considered even more valuable than money.

Here at the University, I have learned to be more organized when planning activities. Before coming here, I did not need to manage my time wisely. Fortunately, I have learned the importance of time management and, as a result, I have learned to use my day in a more efficient manner.

I am grateful that I have gained this skill because I know that in the competitive real world, the importance given to time is similar to here rather than to Paraguay. The time management skills I am developing here are going to help me not only to succeed in school, but also in my future goals.

These are the main differences that have made a great impact in my life here at the University. They have become quite a challenge to get used to, and have many times contradicted my philosophy of doing or saying things. Both time management and political correctness are important skills and requirements that I will have to meet in order to live and in this competitive world.

Tune your dial to WVBU

University's radio station plays a variety of music

By Ashley Maliken
Staff Writer

Many college students feel of completely disconnected while living on campus. Since most lack the luxury of cable TV and many do not have the drive to pick up the newspaper every day, the happenings of the world around us become completely unknown.

Radio is one thing that many students still have access to, and the University offers its very own radio station—90.5 FM, WVBU, one remaining comfort of the technological revolution. Though it may not keep you entirely up- to-date on the current status of the nation, it does create the comforting illusion that you are still a part of mainstream society.

WVBU, managed by Garry Thaniel '04 and located in the basement of Roberts Hall, has been around for a long time.

"My father was a student here, class of 1973, and he was a DJ back then," second-year disc jockey David Meilleur '04 said.

The station offers an eclectic medley of songs, but is categorized as a modern rock station and is therefore required to play a certain number of the genre's tunes daily. During the morning and afternoon hours, the station generally plays an automated play list, interrupted by the occasional hosted show.

Evenings are much more popular, as every night offers a different voice and medley including more popular styles such as techno, rap, and, of course, rock. Most shows tend to sample more album cuts than mainstream hits. There are up to six shows a day right now. That number is on the rise, offering something for everyone.

As is true for all college radio stations, the hours between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. are considered "safe harbor," meaning that uncut versions of songs can be played. To the chagrin of some staff members, WVBU has been experiencing some technical difficulties and has lost the three second delay most stations have as a buffer against anything particularly offensive.

> *"In its prime WVBU had 90 DJs on staff, and we're not too far from that now."*
> *—Garry Thaniel '04*

Most of the shows featured by WVBU are strictly music and disc jockey commentary, yet there are a few talk radio-esque shows. Not only do students have the opportunity to listen, but they too can become disc jockeys.

"In its prime WVBU had 90 DJs on staff, and we're not too far from that right now," Thaniel said.

Remaining slots are limited and filling rather quickly, but the training process is relatively painless. After a general orientation, three sit-ins with a board member and a brief test on the technical aspects of "running the boards," you can sign up and become the next Casey Kasem.

"I wouldn't say it's all the rage, but it is fun," Meilleur said.

Listeners of WVBU used to consist mainly of a few dedicated fans and other disc jockeys, but word is spreading quickly and the following is growing. Requests are welcome, both via telephone (577-3489) and instant messenger (screen name: WVBU), and a listening of shows, times, DJs and other more technical information can all be found on their Web site at http://www.orgs.bucknell.edu/WVBU/.

Reese Pacheco—The Bucknellian

Garry Thaniel '04 manages WVBU, located in the basement of Roberts Hall. WVBU is called a modern rock station, but plays a variety of music. The station currently has close to 90 DJs.

Genetic map helps with malaria research

By Sandi-Jo Galati
News Editor

Researchers from the Sanger Institute in the United Kingdom, Stanford University in California and the Institute of Genome Research in Maryland announced last Wednesday that the genome of the Plasmodium falciparum parasite, the protozoan causing the most deadly form of malaria, has been mapped.

According to CNN, the completion of the $29 million project involving 150 researchers among the three labs was announced with its publication in the *Science* magazine.

The malaria genome is composed of 14 chromosomes with nearly 5,300 genes. Because of its relatively small size, parts of the DNA are highly unstable, presenting researchers with the challenging task preserving the DNA from denaturing while using the necessary sequencing techniques.

The genetic map of Anopheles Gambiae, the mosquito that transmits the P. falciparum into the human blood stream was also published last Wednesday in the scientific journal Nature.

Researchers view genetic mapping as a tool to uncover the genetic weaknesses in the mosquitoes, those genes particularly susceptible to infection by P. falciparum, hoping that these particular DNA sequences will be more susceptible to the development of insecticides and pharmaceuticals that may inhibit the vulnerability of the mosquito or transmission.

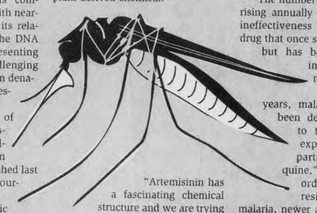
According to MSNBC, genes regulating the female's blood demand during egg development and sensing human hosts are transcribed depending on the insects need for blood. These particular genes are the being targeted by researchers as interventional sequences from which insecticides and pesticides may be developed.

"One of the promises of mapping the malaria genome is the identification of molecular targets for drug intervention," said Dee Ann Casteel, assistant professor of chemistry. "The malaria community would be excited to learn of a peculiar biochemical pathway in malaria parasites or a unique enzyme that could be affected by new drugs."

The P. falciparum strain of malaria is transmitted through gravid female A. gambiae, which require a blood meal for egg maturation. The mosquito spreads the malaria parasite by the saliva it injects into the human host. The parasite travels through the blood stream to the liver where it proliferates, forming cysts encapsulating the parasite. These cysts burst in the blood and destroy the red blood cells of the host. Symptoms of malaria include, chills, fever, headaches, muscle pain, vomiting and fatigue, due to loss of these red blood cells.

If an uninfected mosquito then bites the host, the mosquito becomes a carrier of malaria and can then infect another human.

Casteel is one of the many scientists involved in the fight against malaria. Her research at the University focuses specifically on the study of the drug Artemisinin, a plant-derived chemical.



"Artemisinin has a fascinating chemical structure and we are trying to understand how various aspects of this structure affect the ability of the drug to kill malaria parasites," Casteel said.

Amy Bittner '04 is one of several students conducting research in Casteel's lab.

"We do not know what exactly about the structure of the chemical, Artemisinin, cures the malaria, so we want to make a more simplistic chemical structure, hoping it will still cure malaria," Bittner said. "Every student working in my lab is working on a different synthesis pathway, working towards different, but similar, end products."

Artemisinin does not target a particular enzyme in the parasite. Rather the drug interacts with hemeiron in red blood cells affected by malaria, resulting in a series of damaging chemical reactions in the cell. Because Artemisinin does not target an enzymatic receptor, Casteel believes that knowledge of the P. falciparum genome will be helpful once further discoveries are made about the immediate activity of the drug.

"Knowledge of the malarial genome will likely not assist in understanding the initial interaction in the process but may help clarify subsequent events," Casteel said.

According to MSNBC, 2.7 million people fall victim of malaria each year, 90 percent of which live in Africa where necessary health care services are neglected due to political and economic instabilities.

"Many of the problems surrounding the effective control of malaria involve not only scientific issues but also political and economic considerations, Casteel said. "Many of the difficulties have to do with the challenges of delivering health care in tropical regions of the world and in economically disadvantaged countries. Political upheaval can damage health care infrastructure and cause displacement of persons into malarious areas."

The number of malaria victims is rising annually with the increasing ineffectiveness of chloroquine, a drug that once stabilized the disease but has become increasingly ineffective due to malarial resistance.

"Over the last 30 years, malaria parasites have been developing resistance to the older and less expensive medicines, particularly chloroquine," Casteel said. "In order to treat these resistant strains of malaria, newer and more expensive drugs are often needed."

Global warming has also allowed the migration of infected mosquitoes to areas previously uninfected. A population of malaria-infected mosquitoes was recently detected in Virginia, as reported by CNN.

Unfortunately, the parts of the world most heavily affected by malaria are most often unable to afford the cost of research and pharmaceuticals.

According to Casteel, pharmaceutical companies are hesitant to fund extensive research projects to treat any tropical diseases because the victims in these regions cannot afford the drugs.

"Not seeing much of the disease around here, it's astounding to hear how many people's lives are still affected by this disease in less developed countries," Bittner said. "While finding new medication for the disease would be a tremendous accomplishment, the reality is that the people who need it the most cannot afford it."

In response to the changing global climate and increasing resistance to pharmaceuticals, researchers are hopeful that the successful mapping of the genome will provide effective economically feasible ways of controlling and preventing the transmission of this increasingly threatening disease.

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Administration hopeful to implement merit aid for Class of 2007

By Sandi-Jo Galati
News Editor

Members of the faculty and administration convened Monday evening in a special forum scheduled to gain feedback regarding the most recent report on merit aid from the Committee on Admissions and Financial Aid, headed by Assistant Professor of Psychology Arthur Shapiro. This report will be brought before the Board of Trustees in late November.

"The input received on Monday was very important and will be considered as we move ahead with our planning," Vice President of Enrollment Management Kurt Thiede said. "This will be shared with the board's Merit Aid Sub-Committee as they consider their report to the full board."

Faculty members first met in a merit aid forum last February in response to a request from the Board of Trustees for faculty input. During this meeting, faculty members were highly divided in their opinions regarding the benefits and drawbacks of merit aid. Despite the apparent discrepancy in faculty opinion, the board approved of the implementation of merit aid at its April 27 meeting, pending strict adherence to certain guidelines established during that meeting.

The board requested that the Committee on Admissions and Financial Aid draft a report describing the pilot program that took into account these stipulations for review at its November meeting.

> *"Bucknell, through this merit program design, will provide itself with a recruitment tool that will allow us to work more successfully at the top margins of applicant pool."*
> *—Kurt Thiede, VP for Enrollment Management*

"It is good to be careful that this program, like all programs at Bucknell, strikes the right balance among institutional strategic priorities, with the academic mission at the center, but with other things students value and need being promoted as well," Vice President for Academic Affairs Charles Pollock '70 said.

Expectations established by the Board of Trustees last April include developing a finance plan involving fundraising, maintaining the current socioeconomic environment of the University, limiting the non athletic to athletic dollars spent to a 3-1 ratio and establishing annual goals for review.

According to Pollock, the University is planning to award some merit aid packages beginning next year, pending the board's approval.

"I personally have the greatest hopes for merit aid in advancing Bucknell's important efforts to be more diverse in lots of ways," Pollock said.

Merit aid has multiple objectives, including the enrollment of more students academically, strengthening the reputation of the University, increasing diversity on campus, drawing more performing arts talent on campus, drawing more middle-income students to the University, maintaining the ROTC program, promoting athletic equality, particularly in basketball, among the other schools in the Patriot League that offer merit aid and solidifying overall financial assistance.

"Whether it is with different need analysis, different aid packaging policies or merit scholarships, the environment has changed greatly during the last two decades and will continue to do so for the foreseeable future," Thiede said. "Bucknell, through this merit program design, will provide itself with a recruitment tool that will allow us to work more suc-

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Recreation and athletics pavilion to be named in honor of Sojka

Decision comes by request of late trustee and close friend Robert Smith '39

By Alyson Walker
Features Editor

The University's new 4,000-seat pavilion arena will be named after Gary Sojka, professor of biology and former University president, in a dedication ceremony scheduled for Jan. 15, 2003.

This honor is bestowed upon Sojka per the requests of the late Robert E. Smith '39 who served as chairman emeritus of the University Board of Trustees. Smith and his wife, Peg Farrell Smith '41, contributed $8 million towards the new recreation and athletic center. Prior to his passing in May, Smith privately asked that the new arena be named for Sojka.

"I continue to be touched by Bob Smith," Sojka said. "He and I had a marvelous relationship for 17 years and the University truly prospered under his leadership. Because it speaks to the depth of our friendship, this means as much to me as anything could."

Sojka served as University president for 11 years. In 1995, he returned to teaching as a full-time member of the faculty. He is the University's NCAA faculty athletics representative and had been a member of the NCAA President's Council.

"Gary Sojka has long been an advocate and enthusiastic supporter of the University's scholar-athlete model of athletics," Director of Athletics and Recreation John Hardt said. "In many ways Dr. Sojka's own achievements epitomize the ideal of the scholar-athlete, so it is only appropriate that this marvelous new facility be named in honor of this extraordinary man."

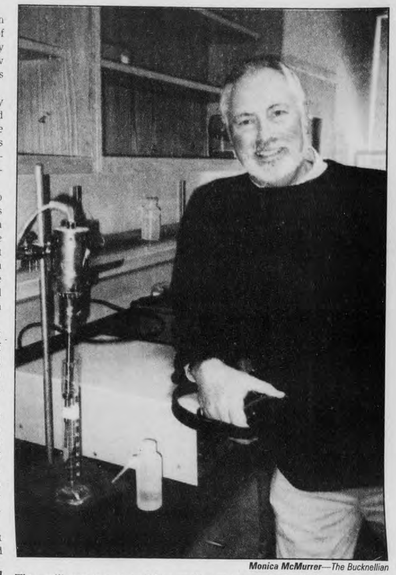
The new arena will be primarily used as a venue for men's and women's basketball. It will replace Davis Gym, which hosted the teams for 64 years. Davis Gym will continue to be used for volleyball and intramural sports.

After Smith's gift and request to honor Sojka, another $1 million has been donated by alumni for the arena project. This is just part of the fundraising campaign to supplement the generous donations of both Smith and lead donors Kenneth G. Langone '57 and his wife Elaine, who will name the new $32 million recreation and athletic center.

Smith was an economics major at the University as well as a member of the varsity basketball team. He played in the inaugural game at Davis Gym in 1938. Smith often reminisced about his initial reaction to Davis Gym.

"I thought at the time that Davis Gym was Utopia. The old Tustin Gym had a track all around it, and you had to square off the corners of the track to get a basketball situation. Bucknell rarely lost a home game in those days, because there probably wasn't another court like it anywhere," Smith said.

Smith was the former president and CEO of Beaunit Corporation and



Monica McMurrer—The Bucknellian

The pavilion arena, part of the new Recreation and Athletic Center (RAC), will be named after Professor of Biology and former University President Gary Sojka. Late trustee Robert Smith '39, one of the chief donors towards the RAC, requested the arena be named in honor of Sojka.

Dan Fellon—The Bucknellian

A ceremony to officially name the pavilion after Sojka will occur Jan. 15, 2003. Meanwhile, construction continues on the RAC (above).

the namesake of Smith Hall.

"The University is fortunate to have former student-athletes such as Bob Smith whose positive experiences at the University inspire them to give back so generously to our campus," Hardt said. "Bob's wonderful gift will have a tremendous impact in enabling the University to provide outstanding opportunities and experiences for our students. We are grateful to Bob for recognizing Professor Sojka's lasting contributions to the campus with the naming of this new facility in his honor."

While Sojka was president, the University capital building campaign was funded. The campaign raised $90 million, which was used in the construction of almost half of the current square footage of facility space on campus. The University endowment also increased from $52 million to $142 million and new curriculum plans were formulated for both the College of Arts and Sciences and the College of Engineering.

"I will admit to being a bit nonplussed about having my name on any building on the campus," Sojka said. "I can only hope that in time it will be well accepted by the campus community and that it will be used in an appropriate manner to foster the best interests of the University and the extended Bucknell family."

Midnight Mania a slam dunk

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Students packed into Davis Gymnasium last Friday night to rally support for the upcoming men's and women's basketball seasons. Activities, such as long-shot contests and a blindfolded on-court hunt for Bucky the Bison encouraged audience participation throughout the night.

New Web site encourages students to rate professors

By Rachel Laskow
Editor-in-Chief

The Conservatives Club recently launched Rate the Profs, a Web site that allows students to rate their professors and post comments about them. The site also allows other students and professors to view the assessments.

"We just want it to be another source of information that can help us all to pick the best classes," Conservatives Club President Denise Chaykun '04 said.

Students can either register anonymously on the Web site or use the forum as a guest. Each University department has its own category and professors of each department are then listed. Students can read or post information about a professor by clicking on the professor's name.

Chaykun thinks students will benefit from being able to find out more about professors before taking their classes.

"We were previously limited only to information from our friends who had taken a professor before," Chaykun said.

Sara Mastrony '03 agrees that Rate the Profs is a good idea.

"It would be helpful to get an idea of the professor's style and whether or not peers enjoyed the class," Mastrony said.

Provost/Vice President for Student Affairs Stephen Bowen believes that talking to friends and people a student knows is likely to be more valuable than looking at the Web site.

"You can ask them questions and discuss their experiences, rather than having to rely on a comment posted by an unknown person," Bowen said.

Bowen feels that one problem is that only a small percentage of students have taken the time to rate professors, and with a few comments, many comments contradict one another.

"Many of the comments I read were fairly extreme, as comments tend to be when posted on a public bulletin board. We get more constructive feedback if the comments are addressed to the professors," Bowen said.

Another problem that Bowen sees with Rate the Profs is that the ratings might not reflect changes with a student's individual experience with a pro-

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Public Safety Log

Thursday, Oct. 10

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student contacted Public Safety and requested transportation to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment of stomach pain. A Student Health Services driver responded and transported the student and later returned him to campus.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT / PUBLIC URINATION / UNDERAGE—A student reported to Public Safety that a hallmate had been banging on his Larison Hall door and then urinated outside his door. Upon arrival, officers determined that a student was intoxicated and under the age of 21. Citations issued for disorderly conduct and underage drinking.

INFORMATION—Public Safety responded to Dana Engineering for the report of a male sleeping in an office. The officer spoke with a student and advised him not to continue this activity. The student was cooperative.

MEDICAL ASSIST—Public Safety responded to the Langone Center for the report of an unconscious female. Upon arrival, Public Safety found that the student was conscious and signed refusal forms for medical treatment.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) broke eggs on the front and rear windshields of his vehicle while parked at the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity parking lot. The incident is under investigation.

Friday, Oct. 11

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—Public Safety responded to Trax Hall for the report of an alcohol overdose. A female student was transported by ambulance to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment and later returned to campus.

ACT 64 / DRUG VIOLATION—Public Safety responded to Swartz Hall for the report of the odor of marijuana. In a plain view search of the room, Public Safety observed marijuana and drug paraphernalia. East Buffalo Township Police Department responded. Both of the room occupants admitted to having alcohol although under the age of 21 years. One of the students admitted to East Buffalo Township Police Department that he was in possession of the marijuana and drug paraphernalia. University charges for underage drinking and controlled substance violations issued. Criminal charges are pending.

Saturday, Oct. 12

OPEN LEWDNESS—Public Safety and Lewisburg Police Department responded to South 6th Street for the report of a male and female engaged in a sexual act in a truck parked along the street. Upon arrival, officers determined that the male had an inflatable doll inside the vehicle. Lewisburg Police Department cited the male for open lewdness.

INFORMATION / POSSIBLE HARASSMENT—Five students reported to Public Safety that a male student at Swartz Hall was making threats to a number of people and using inappropriate language. Residential Life was contacted and will investigate.

Sunday, Oct. 13

UNDERAGE DRINKING—While conducting a routine party check at Sigma Chi Fraternity, Public Safety observed a female student drinking a beer without a wristband. Upon investigation, it was determined that the student was under the age of 21. Citation issued for underage drinking.

UNDERAGE DRINKING—Public Safety responded to Smith Hall for the report of an intoxicated student who was unconscious. The female admitted to consuming alcohol although under the age of 21. Citation issued for underage drinking.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT / UNDERAGE DRINKING—Public Safety observed a male student urinating on a tree outside Sigma Chi Fraternity. It was determined that the student did consume alcohol although under the age of 21. Citations issued for disorderly conduct and underage drinking.

INFORMATION / HARASSMENT—A student reported to Public Safety that she was receiving unacceptable instant messages on her computer from another student. Public Safety contacted the student and advised him to stop sending messages to the female student. He agreed to stop immediately.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—Public Safety stopped a student who was attempting to gain entry into Carey House. It was determined that this student did not live there and he admitted to consuming alcohol although under the age of 21. Citation issued for underage consumption.

INFORMATION / HARASSMENT—A student reported to Public Safety that she and members of her sports team were receiving harassing instant messages on her computer. Public Safety contacted the student who was believed to be sending the messages. He agreed to stop the activity.

Monday, Oct. 14

INFORMATION—Dunkin Donuts contacted Public Safety and advised that a student placed an order for a large quantity of merchandise but did not pick up the items. Public Safety contacted the student who agreed to speak to the manager of Dunkin Donuts regarding the situation.

FAILURE TO COMPLY—While on routine patrol, Public Safety observed a vehicle parked on the pathway near Trax Hall. Upon investigation, it was determined that the vehicle had been banned from campus as part of a University sanction. Traffic citations for parking on a sidewalk/pathway and possessing an illegal vehicle, as well as a citation for failure to comply with a University sanction issued.

INFORMATION / BROKEN WINDOW—Public Safety responded to Swartz Hall for the report of a broken window. No suspects or witnesses could be located.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—Public Safety responded to Vedder Hall for the report of a student who injured her hand when a light bulb broke in it. Physical Plant responded and checked the light which appeared to have moisture on it. The student was transported by a Student Health Services driver to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency room for treatment and later returned to campus.

Tuesday, Oct. 15

VANDALISM—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) damaged his vehicle by striking both side doors, while it was parked in the Bucknell West Lot. The incident is under investigation.

University endowment plummets

Stock market instability equates to $44 million in losses

By Michelle Dombeck
Arts & Entertainment Editor

Due to the poor performance of the stock market recently, the University's endowment declined over 11 percent this fiscal year, according to Vice President for Finance and Administration Jo-Anne Lema. This translates to a loss of $44 million.

"Our endowment is a collection of funds that have been given to the University over a period of time. By definition, the endowment is a fund where only the income can be spent. The original principal must remain intact in perpetuity," Lema said.

The endowment's primary investments are in the stock market. While typically providing high returns, stocks can be a risky investment.

"As long as Bucknell is heavily invested in the stock market, and historically stock markets generate higher returns over the long term than other financial assets such as bonds, then the Bucknell endowment will be subject to such fluctuations," Assistant Professor of Economics Geoffrey Schneider said.

Since the stock market has not been performing well lately, the University's investments have suffered. Predicting this decline, however, would have been nearly impossible.

"It would have taken extraordinary foresight for Bucknell to have avoided these losses," Schneider said. "It would be unreasonable for Bucknell to expect to avoid the downturn, given that virtually all other investors have experienced similar losses."

Compared to the market as a whole, the University's investments have not performed too badly.

"The S&P 500 index declined 19 percent from June 29, 2001 to June 28, 2002, and the NASDAQ composite index declined 32 percent over the same period," Associate Professor of Economics Gregory Krohn said.

The University's budget will not be greatly affected, despite this loss of money.

"So far to date, [this decline] has had a neglible impact because of our spending policies," Lema said. "However, if the downward trend continues, we may potentially have less income available to support the operating budget."

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fessor from semester to semester, if the database is not cleared at the end of the semester.

For example, according to Bowen, the University prides itself in faculty members taking risks in their teaching approach to make their classes better. This new approach may or may not work, but the students' comments may only reflect that particular teaching experiment.

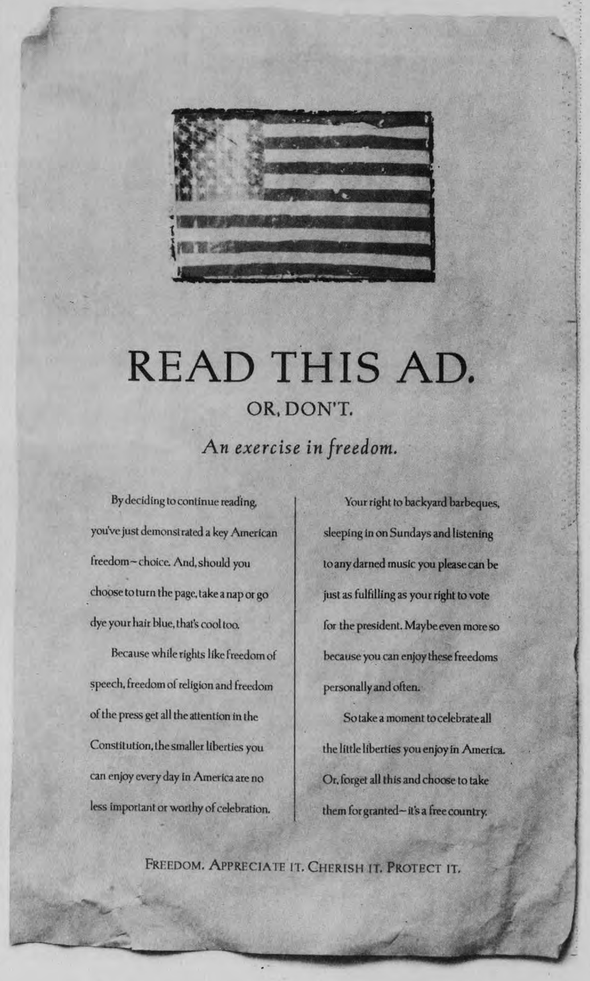
Each semester, students fill out evaluations about every class they take. These evaluations ask questions about the class, as well as the professor.

Professor of Biology Gary Sojka said he uses these evaluations to alter or fine-tune his offerings in response to student comments after applying the appropriate statistical analyses of the student responses.

"At this point in my life I am not much interested in something that smacks of a popularity rating, but I am seriously interested in making my courses more useful to students, and student evaluations are one tool that can be used to achieve that goal if they are properly constructed and evaluated," Sojka said.

According to Chaykun, the Conservatives Club has not received a lot of feedback because the site is new.

"Some people seem upset by the idea that one can comment anonymously, feeling this is cowardly and biased teacher bashing," Chaykun said.



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Bali evidence points to Indonesian terrorist organization

As Indonesian police formally detained two suspects Wednesday in last weekend's bombing on the resort island of Bali, one U.S. official told NBC News that it has growing evidence that the Indonesian militant group Jemaah Islamiyah was behind the deadly attack. "I cannot tell you why we believe that, but we do," the official said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Bush signs resolution on Iraq

WASHINGTON—President George W. Bush on Wednesday signed an Iraq war resolution overwhelmingly approved by Congress and told wary world leaders to "face up to our global responsibility" to confront Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

High Court debates bias on death row

WASHINGTON—The Supreme Court took up the death penalty Wednesday, hearing an appeal from a black man who says the overwhelmingly white jury that put him on Texas' death row was selected on the basis of race. The case may resolve how judges decide if a jury selection was unconstitutionally based on race. The subject has been confusing for lower courts.

Accounting firm Anderson sanctioned by court

HOUSTON—A federal judge fined accounting firm Andersen $500,000 and sentenced it to five years probation for obstructing justice in a probe of client Enron. This is a hollow punishment, as the auditor is all but out of business.

Scientists map galaxy's black hole

Surprising observations of a star swiftly orbiting the cloudy heart of the Milky Way Galaxy have verified with near certainty the existence of a central black hole, a theoretical object that still eludes direct detection.

Bush: Israel will fight if Iraq strikes

WASHINGTON—President George W. Bush said Wednesday after meeting with Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon that he was certain Sharon would retaliate if Iraq attacked Israel in what would be a departure from Israel's restraint during the Gulf War. The two men also discussed the prolonged Palestinian-Israeli conflict, and Bush announced that he would send an envoy to the region.

Ryder is no-show at shoplifting trial

BEVERLY HILLS—Winona Ryder's trial on shoplifting charges was delayed again Tuesday after the actress failed to show up in court because of what the judge called "an unusual circumstance." Neither Ryder's lawyers nor the prosecution elaborated on reasons for her no-show for the much-delayed trial stemming from an alleged shoplifting spree at the posh Saks Fifth Avenue store last December.

North Korea admits to uranium-enrichment program

North Korea has acknowledged that it has a uranium-enrichment program, which U.S. officials believe would be used only to develop a nuclear bomb, the Bush administration said Wednesday night. U.S. sources told NBC News that Pyongyang reacted angrily to U.S. accusations about the program and declared an anti-nuclear agreement it signed eight years ago to be "nullified."

CDC panel expands smallpox plan

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Faculty meeting addresses merit aid questions

MERIT AID

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cessfully at the top margins of applicant pool."

According to University President Steffen Rogers, parents of students opting to decline University admission in favor of schools offering merit aid often question why their sons and daughters are not recognized by the University for their talents.

"We are losing students to schools that I do not think that we should be losing them too because of a sweetener," Rogers said.

Bucknell Student Government (BSG) is also in favor of merit aid implementation, passing a motion in its support last January.

"I think that merit aid would be great for Bucknell. It would give Bucknell a tool that other Universities are already using to attract top students," BSG President Amir Sadaghiani said.

In the current proposal, the University expects to award 42 merit aid scholarships annually, representing about 5 percent of the accepted class. Ten of these awards will be given to no-need students, while the remaining 32 will be offered to students demonstrating financial need. Roughly 3 percent of the total financial aid budget will be appropriated to merit aid, and 1 percent of the budget will awarded to no-need students.

"The merit scholarship program design is modest in relationship to the University's commitment to financial aid, yet it will provide enough information upon which the future of merit awards and the shape of our financial aid program in general can be based," Thiede said.

Merit aid has been heavily debated since it was first permitted among the Patriot League schools since the league decided it was permissible in 1998. By not participating in merit aid, the University has isolated itself with one other Patriot League university and the Ivy League, in its refusal to offer no-need based scholarships.

According to Thiede, many reservations surrounding merit aid implementation involve fears that the program will not be large enough to be measurable or will increase to the point where it will become a runaway train.

"The challenge with putting this program together is caution," Thiede said. "We need to balance the concern of being small but with enough of a program to be measurable."

For this reason, the pilot program was designed with three-year limit, after which the Committee on Admissions and Financial Aid expects to have collected enough data to determine the future of the program.

"The design for future years can then be modified on the basis of what is learned through the initial implementation," Thiede said. "I believe this is a measured and balanced program design. We will not know its impact until we actually implement it."

Many faculty members voiced their reservations at the forum about basketball players being the only athletes awarded merit aid specifically for their sport. In the current plan, six of the 42 available scholarships will be awarded to basketball players.

Ben Marsh, professor of geology and environmental studies, was one of the faculty members opposing this selectivity.

"I think that merit aid is disgraceful and we should reject it," Marsh said.

Marsh proposed that no more than one-quarter of the money appropriated to athletics scholarships should be given to athletes in any one sport.

Currently the Patriot League allows merit aid awards to be given to players in all sports except football. According to Rogers, the Patriot League presidents have determined that football scholarships would result in a financial strain that none of the universities could afford at this point.

Rogers, Pollock and Thiede each described basketball as the "marquee" sport of the Patriot League, which is why the University is attempting to become equals in basketball before any other.

"I firmly believe that Bucknell's continuing to take full advantage of its Patriot League membership, and its NCAA Division I stature, depends on removing the great handicap under which our men's and women's basketball teams are competing now," Pollock said. "Our Division I membership is a symbol—it tells the world in a visible way that we do things here in a serious way and at a high level of quality, and it separates us advantageously from many otherwise comparable institutions."

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> *—**Charles Pollock '70**, VP for Student Affairs*

The University's Patriot League competitors that offer merit aid have the advantage in building strong teams, which results in more fan support and generating more revenue.

"Basketball is the marquee sport of the Patriot League. Focusing on men's and women's basketball provides us with a finite number of awards that can be controlled and measured," Thiede said.

The Committee on Admissions and Financial Aid will now consider the issues raised at the forum in preparation for the Board of Trustee to vote.

"When designing a program like this there can be a tendency to want to reconsider specific pieces, sometimes on an ongoing basis," Thiede said. "However, there is a need to eventually agree on a plan, implement it and evaluate the results."

Pollock perceives the implementation of merit aid as an important component of the future of the University, and is confident that others will soon be convinced of its advantages.

"I hope that in time the preponderance of the Bucknell community understands the need for merit aid of several kinds, as well as the different external imperatives that require different degrees of aid to achieve different purposes," Pollock said.

A Message from the Committee for Campus Diversity

In the context of campus discussions of the past few weeks on issues of diversity and civility, the Committee for Campus Diversity (CCD) would like offer these thoughts:

In the past two weeks, members of the CCD have been approached by individuals from many campus groups, faculty, students and staff, with the questions: Is Bucknell truly committed to increasing its diversity and improving the campus climate for all its faculty, students and staff? Where does the University stand? Is diversity at the University under attack?

We cannot speak for the University as a corporate entity, but as those charged with implementing the 1999 Plan for Diversity, we would like to reaffirm that the University's commitment is unchanged: to seek to create the diversity we need to fulfill our mission, live out our historic principles and compete effectively with other institutions of higher education. In part, the Plan for Diversity states:

> ***As an institution of higher learning, Bucknell is committed to fostering an inclusive and diverse campus community, enriched by the presence and participation of men and women of different races, nationalities, ethnicities, socioeconomic circumstances, ages, sexual orientations and religious backgrounds. This commitment goes beyond the mere toleration of differences by seeking to eliminate attitudes and actions that have separated, excluded or marginalized people in the past and by facilitating true understanding and recognition.***

At the Oct. 7 "Stop the Hate" Vigil, University President Steffen Rogers articulated, for himself, a set of personal hopes and expectations for the University community regarding diversity and civility. The CCD would like to lift up these hopes, not as a policy statement, but as hopes and expectations we share and which seem to speak to recent campus events. Rogers said, in part:

> ***"... I am committed to increasing diversity at Bucknell, picking up where the Board of Trustees left off in our last strategic plan. The process of creating Vision 2010 will define how we're going to do so, but there isn't any if about diversity in our planning. And this means that Bucknell must do all in its power to make this community welcoming and inclusive, not only for selected groups, but for students, faculty and staff of all races, cultures, ethnicities, religions, nationalities, sexual orientations and political orientations. In the starting principles put forward for Vision 2010, I would emphasize ideas like civility, respect, character and compassion. As a community like ours faces the future, both near and distant, we must turn to these values for direction.***
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> ***"Stephen L. Carter has defined civility as 'the sum of the many sacrifices we are called to make for the sake of living together.' Certainly extreme cries of conscience or justice require us to break the bonds of civility and compassion that should normally hold us together. Thankfully, for those of us at Bucknell, communication is the key; thus, we must continue to communicate in productive and understanding ways. No one values the free pursuit of truth more than I, but we need to base that struggle on generosity, trust, and compassion for all those our words will touch.***
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> ***"I believe deeply in free speech. But for the sake of community, not everything that we have a right to say is appropriate to say. Before I speak, I need to think about the impact of my words on others. The same goes for the way I say those words. Carter argues that 'civility requires that we express ourselves in ways that demonstrate our respect for others.' Without respect and restraint from all of us, the basic bonds of community begin to disintegrate and we undermine the whole purpose of education.***
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> ***"That's not to say we cannot improve. I welcome constructive criticism of Bucknell's policies, priorities, procedures and personnel, so long as they are expressed in a civil and, I repeat, constructive fashion.***
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> ***"Where the target of tonight's vigil—hate violence—occurs, there has usually been a pattern of words and deeds that were not respectful of others. Hate is not acceptable in any context: The words 'hate' and 'hurt' are often co-mingled in intent and fact. We cannot allow hate and we cannot condone hurt. But, to remain a strong, viable community of teaching and learning does not require that we have to love, or even like, each other as long as there is civility, compassion and respect. However, it is under the umbrella of those ideas that we will grow in understanding, we will learn from one another and we will heal."***

The decline of civility on college campuses in recent years, as in the society at large, has been well documented. But, as members of an educational community, we are held to a standard of civility and a higher standard: we should seek to understand the experiences of others in the community and take those experiences into account when we take stands on controversial issues.

The CDC would like to affirm that the community is more than a set of courses, activities and policies. The community has always been proud of its warmth, care, concern and mutual respect, and our goal is to extend that community to include those who have been excluded in the past, as well as those who have been here all along. Some will say that the University is just fine the way it is, but our goal is to keep the University's distinctive virtues while opening our community to the diverse world into which we hope to send our graduates.

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The Bucknellian Editorial

Merit aid should be available to all athletes

At the merit aid forum on Monday evening, the Committee on Admissions and Financial Aid presented the proposed pilot plan for merit aid to the faculty for review. If approved by the Board of Trustees in November, merit aid awards will be given for academic achievement, performing arts talent, athletics and promoting diversity beginning with the Class of 2007.

Athletic scholarships would only be given to men's and women's basketball players. This proposal is unfair to other athletic teams at the University. The University will be creating an unbalanced and unequal athletic program in which the needs of the basketball teams are prioritized.

University President Steffen Rogers, Vice President for Student Affairs Charles Pollock '70 and Vice President for Enrollment Management Kurt Thiede justified this selectivity by claiming basketball as the marquee sport of the Patriot League. Rogers, Pollock and Thiede claimed that offering basketball scholarships was a necessity for the University to remain competitive in the League.

According to Thiede, one reason that the plan proposes to give merit aid only to basketball players is practicality of resources. By giving the aid to basketball players, the University will see the largest impact, the fastest.

The money given to the sport will be used to build a program that has already been chosen as the Patriot League's marquee sport. However, because basketball is already a strong program, the University should not only concentrate on it growing more.

Basketball brings more money to the University than other sports, but by only offering merit aid only to basketball players, other sports will not have the opportunity to reach the same status as basketball.

Also, the University cannot improve its athletic program as a whole on the basis of one sport. If merit aid was given to all athletes, more sports would be able to improve over time. At the same time, if the athletic program as a whole is made better, the University will become more appealing to all student athletes, not just basketball players.

By offering merit aid to basketball players, the University might have an easier time recruiting basketball players. However, at the same time, they might lose other key athletes for other sports. For example, if merit aid was offered to baseball players, the University might get more exceptional baseball players and therefore baseball could improve in the League. As it stands now, the University could be losing baseball players to other schools and it will continue to do so unless it has a specific way to attract those players, such as offering them merit aid.

Although basketball is an important sport for the University, it should focus on improving its athletics as a whole. By offering merit aid to all athletes, the University could succeed in making its athletics program stronger and therefore become a more popular choice among student athletes.

Letters to the editor

'Bucknellians for Peace' somewhat of a misnomer

To the Editor:

This letter is in response to Jon Hoyle's Oct. 11 article. It would be a misnomer to attribute to one group the name "Bucknellians For Peace." This would imply that the rest of us are dedicated to waging war against other countries merely for the sake of our lust for war and violence. Conservatives are also indeed interested in peace, albeit through different means.

Moral relativism is a practice that the United States has been forced to practice since its founding as the first modern democracy. Like Hoyle, I believe there are many historical contexts that validate this claim. The Revolutionary War cost many colonial Americans their lives, but as a result the Constitution and the Bill of Rights were forged to bring about a more free and peaceful society. World War II was thrust upon our nation in a violent attack, and millions of Americans were forced to put aside freedom and peace for the savagery of war. Hoyle's assertion that some conflicts give birth to future ones is true. The ending of World War II laid the groundwork for the Cold War, in which moral relativism was elevated and smaller countries were played as mere pawns. Today, there is terrorism; people willing to put their extremist views above even their own lives. There is no escaping this reality—we must fight terror, there is simply no other option.

The end of moral relativism will by consequence bring about peace. But how can we achieve this means without making ourselves so incredibly strong that we create even more enmity? Or oppositely, without making ourselves so weak that extremism takes root without opposition and ideals are destroyed? First, it is clear that oppressed peoples around the world such as those in Iraq, Iran and Somalia should be given access to freedom of speech and freedom of information. Radio Free Europe, a broadcasting network so instrumental in spreading truth and freedom throughout the oppressed countries of Eastern Europe, is an effective example of the kind of change that must take place in order for propaganda and disastrous dictatorships to crumble. It is exactly this unparalleled freedom of hearts and minds so enjoyed in America, Europe and Japan that will keep the disastrous nuclear and biological weapons that Hoyle speaks of from ever being used again. And that is worth fighting for.

Sincerely,
Michael Accinno '06

Men to partake in "Vagina Monologues"

To the Editor:

I offer my congratulations to all those who decried "The Vagina Monologues," claiming to be offended or threatened by the production. You have won. This year the producers are drawing their fangs; they are taking out the whole point of the thing by inviting a man to share the stage.

When I saw "The Vagina Monologues," it was a presentation of the voices of people with vaginas. Men, you may recall, don't have them. The play simply has nothing to do with men—at least, it had nothing to do with men. The reason for including a man as the voice of a "World Without Violence" is incomprehensible. In a "World Without Violence," men would not feel so threatened by women's-only actions that they would spend a year trying to bully their way in. In a "World Without Violence," women would not find the bullying so threatening—or maybe just tiresome—that they would give up one of the extremely few places where they had taken a stand.

I can only think of two possible explanations, both dramatically wrong. Either the leaders of V-Day Bucknell believe that the struggle to end violence against women is nearly won, and so women's visibility in that struggle is no longer as important; or, almost inconceivably, they find that men's voices on the subject of vaginas are underrepresented. The implied third possibility, of course, is that V-Day Bucknell has essentially given up. I hope not.

Whatever the case, I applaud the victors, those who insisted that an all-women play is, a priori, against men. The movement to end violence against women, at least at Bucknell, is visibly injured. How proud they must be!

Sincerely,
Don Rea
Client Service Analyst, ISR

Privileged of society can provide an oppressive force

By Charity Brady and Katie Parker
Staff Writers

In light of recent campus events, the gap between those who are "privileged" and those who feel they are not is continuously widening. In an effort to begin the long and painful process of closing this gap, we wish to address in this article several of the means by which privilege in our society functions as an invisible yet potent force of oppression. Those who possess privilege are understandably least likely to recognize their position of power, yet this resistance is what propagates cycles of ignorance and disparity.

The recent publication of the "Counterweight" has caused quite a bit of controversy on the campus with regards to the limitations of free speech. The issue, which appropriately dealt with that exact topic, defended the rights of all students to express their viewpoints and beliefs without the threat of administrative restrictions. Although the controversial nature of these articles may be appropriate given the Conservatives Club's (BUCC) mission statement, several students have felt that efforts to promote social awareness on the campus have been marginalized and attacked under the guise of free speech.

This is not to say that all viewpoints expressed on this campus should be sugarcoated to avoid offending certain groups or individuals. However, the purpose of political discourse should be to educate individuals about social issues. The problem with publications like the "Counterweight" is the absolutist stance taken by many of its writers, signaling a lack of interest in reciprocal debate between communities.

Political absolutism almost necessarily results from a position of privilege and power. If you are a member of a dominant majority, your beliefs rarely stand to be challenged, and any expansion of your worldview is your choice. Members of a minority, on the other hand, are forced to think about their role and their world in relation to the majority view, and subsequently have no choice but to expand their mindset to include the norms imposed upon them. This power structure sets up the privileged as the norm, and the unprivileged as deviant from that norm. As a result, the beliefs and values of the privileged are more likely to be absolutist because the only challenge to those beliefs will come from the deviants who do not share them.

Systems of privilege, therefore, often become invisible, especially on campuses where the privileged are the majority. Writer and University of California Law Professor Stephanie M. Wildman wrote, "The invisibility of privilege strengthens the power it creates and maintains. The invisible cannot be combated and, as a result, privilege is allowed to perpetuate, regenerate and recreate itself. Privilege is systemic, not an occasional occurrence. Privilege is invisible only until looked for, but silence in the face of privilege sustains its invisibility." Privilege becomes invisible to all participants of a community, even those who benefit from it. Those who exist in a position of power will find difficulty understanding those who do not. This propagation of privilege is often unconscious, and self-recognition is an arduous, grueling task. However, once privilege is acknowledged, we can begin to function within the system to dismantle any semblance of division or inequality.

Let's stop for a moment, and define "privilege." Privilege does not necessarily mean that your family has a lot of money, or you drive a Beamer, or that you summer in the Hamptons. Privilege, in the sense that we are using this term, means that you have the advantage, as a majority, to define the societal norms. In setting these standards, you unconsciously imply that those who do not fit these norms are deviants. Accordingly, those who are privileged will benefit from the norms that they create. This does not mean that you consciously exploit others; it simply means that if a society is built around standards that you meet, you will have an advantage over those who do not.

The BUCC has raised the argument that its members are a campus minority and, as such, are being oppressed by the administration for their sometimes radical viewpoints. To the members of the BUCC, we extend this question: Is it possible that you're not being oppressed, but rather, your privilege is being challenged?

It is not surprising that a publication like the "Counterweight" would come out in the University, as the majority of students here are privileged, providing protection for those who wish to exercise their right to free speech. It's also not surprising that a good portion of the student body is apathetic to its contents. What is positive about the release of this publication is that it calls upon us to recognize our position of privilege in this society, and gives us the option to combat the social norms we so readily construct. The process of recognizing the inherent power structure is difficult and uncomfortable, but necessary in order to achieve goals of campus diversity and tolerance. At this moment, we are faced with the daunting challenge of making the invisible visible and permanently erasing the divisions on this campus.

Bloomsburg Fair lives up to high expectations

By Jenny Ross
Staff Writer

When I was in high school, I swore to myself that I would never go to college in Pennsylvania. I was under the belief that the entire state was farmland and everywhere you went, you were out in the middle of nowhere. (So, far Lewisburg has supported me.) Nonetheless I am here, yet the bubble that is the University never let me permeate through its edges to experience central Pennsylvania at its finest. That was until two weeks ago when I went to the Bloomsburg Fair.

It is the postcard of Pennsylvania.

Encompassing two weekends, the fair is the biggest thing in the area. So big in fact that every school in Bloomsburg is off for the week because the fair is town. People actually park their motor homes in a special lot to ensure that they won't miss a second of the fair.

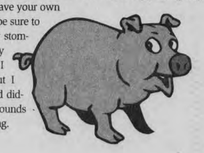
Rather than dogs, you find goats, cows, pigs, horses and all kinds of farm animals on leashes being walked around the fairgrounds by their owners. Some even proudly wear first place ribbons. Farmers are everywhere, crops are abundant and you will probably find more people in tractors than cars. Everywhere you turn you find some creation of fried food, such as Oreos, zucchini, onions, potatoes, you name it and they will deep fry it.

There are some parts that look as though they resemble the boardwalks from the Jersey shore, with seemingly impossible carnival-type games and huge prizes, but a quick glance to the right allows one to see a field of tractors rather than an ocean.

If you happen to have $2 though, you can win everything from live fish to an oversized Sponge Bob Squarepants. The fish die in a week (rest in peace, Garth), and you will never win the Sponge Bob (even if you get your friends to play to rig the game for you).

There are some weird parts to the fair, such as the freak show-type petting zoo that includes a six-legged cow and the exhibit of a lady with a snake body, but each one costs a little extra (and the word on the fairground dirt path was that they weren't worth it).

Despite the constant reminder from my Pennsylvania friends that fairs are normal and abundant, I was in awe. If you didn't get the opportunity to go this year, be sure to make the trip at some point in your career here. Surprisingly enough, you don't need to have your own cow to go, but be sure to bring an empty stomach. You may be as happy as I was to find out I could move and didn't weigh 300 pounds the next morning.



Opinions

Catcallers should think before they speak

By Becca Susman
Writer

What is safety and what protects it? Is it the gut instinct that tells you to run or the statistic of how many assaults occurred wherever you are? Or is it something different all together? Living in off-campus housing, I have no choice but walking or riding my bike as my main forms of transportation.

Given that the University has an extremely compact campus, these options suffice. Unfortunately, they also put me in the position of being a woman walking alone at night. I have chosen to take this one step further by jogging at night. I try to remain in lit areas, but refuse to submit to fear and refrain from clearing my head in the manner I enjoy most simply because of my gender and location.

I know that I am probably being very naïve, and also know that my parents will cringe if they read this article to learn that I am voluntarily putting myself in a potentially dangerous situation. Nonetheless, I feel safe. Perhaps it is a false sense of security given by the stars and the streetlights, but being alone in the darkness has an element of freedom.

Just because I feel safe does not have anything to do with whether or not I am actually safe. It is simply my perception. "Hey baby, where are you going?" and similar comments come with the territory, and I perceive them simply as drunken comments without a physical threat attached.

I also hope that I would be able to scream and beat up anyone who would try to attack me, or at least run away. According to Public Safety, between 1998 and 2000 there were 11 forcible sex offenses on campus and seven non-forcible offenses. These are only the reported offenses.

Given the University climate with an emphasis on partying and the sexualized atmosphere of any university, our administration has obviously pondered the question of what will make people feel safe on campus. With a ride call service and call boxes fairly accessible, there has been an effort to give the illusion of safety. Does the feeling mean that we as students are truly safe?

Near Bucknell West, call boxes are placed away from the glow of streetlights, which forces people into the darkness to access them. Is it important to lock down a campus in order to prevent crime? No place can be completely safe; one must take a risk every time she or he walks out the door.

I believe that you should not let this risk prevent you from living life to the fullest, within reason. As human beings it is our duty to respect each other and create an environment in which a woman does not have to look over her shoulder each time she walks or jogs down the street. This condition really does apply primarily to women.

With a guy friend by my side I do not get a single comment, but once I'm alone the comments flow like water. The men uttering the catcalls do not have to worry about their safety simply due to their gender and societal role; yet they continue to take advantage of this position. This perpetuates an environment in which many of their friends, significant others and relatives must rely on them in order to avoid harassment and feel safe.

The same men who make comments to me would be horrified if the same things were said to their sisters. So how should I respond to this? Should I continue to run without a glance back, or yell comments in return? Is there a way to make the campus equally friendly to men and women? For now, I will continue to run and bite my tongue, for fear of inciting a physical response and the next time you call, "Hey, baby," think about the recipient and how he or she will perceive your words.

Free speech does not justify free hate

Student life may be threatened if "Counterweight" continues in same manner

By Mike Dudzinski
Staff Writer

The campus community has expressed concern over the belittling and demeaning nature of the "Counterweight" in response to its discriminatory content. Regardless of political affiliation, everyone must acknowledge that free speech does not mean free hate. It is our goal to end University funding for the "Counterweight."

Most appalling is the objection expressed by the "Counterweight" regarding a University student who was charged with biased-related harassment for violated the Bucknell Code of Conduct. Implying that racial epithets are acceptable under the First Amendment, the publication argues that you should not be punished for using derogatory terms such as "negro" or "spic."

Moreover, it is absolutely absurd to characterize the remark made by the student as a salutary or even friendly gesture. After all, the victim found the comment racist and offensive, ultimately reporting the incident to Public Safety. Certainly someone accepted to the University possesses an extensive enough vocabulary, let alone common sense, sensitivity and civility, to choose words without derogatory connotations. Certainly someone accepted to the University has enough common sense not to address any stranger as anything other than what he or she is; a person. People have to stop pointing the finger and begin taking responsibility for their actions when common sense eludes them. If, as the "Counterweight" argues, "negro" and other racial slurs are not with mal intent, they are nevertheless construed as offensive and pointedly rude to a significant number of Bucknellians; therefore, the cannot be excused nor justified.

The "Counterweight" publication not only violated the Bucknell Code of Conduct by abusing First Amendment rights, but it also expressed no remorse to the individuals who felt offended and belittled by the publication's discriminatory stance.

"The reason why action should be taken is because the 'Counterweight' is publicized with malicious intent," Garry Thaniel '04 said. "When students gathered to express their grief, the members of the Conservatives Club were not sympathetic. In the least, they implied that they will continue to express their biased views and stir up negative emotions."

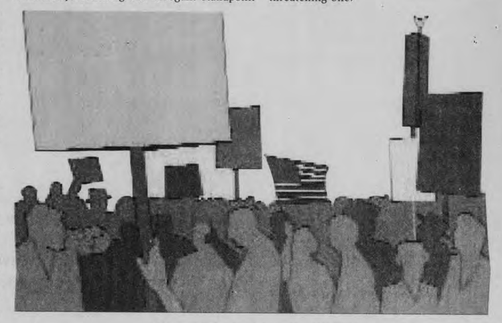
This type of outspokenness is not only condemned by those who were unfairly targeted by the publication, but also by many members of the campus community who were concerned that the "Counterweight" violated the University's Code of Conduct, and, by extension, equal rights for every individual.

If the 'Counterweight' writers wish to market their arrogance, it should not be under the endorsement and representation of the University.

Even more confusing are the statements within the "Counterweight," which allegedly express the publication's objectives. The mission statement reveals, "We, its staff, seek to serve the Bucknell community by infusing it with the ingredients necessary for a balanced educational experience." Yet the disclaimer counteracts this remark by asserting, "The views expressed in the articles herein ... do not reflect ... the Conservatives Club or the Bucknell Community." These two contradictory announcements suggest that the purpose of the "Counterweight" is to undermine the integrity of the University, while causing the student body to bear the burden of its negativity. Speaking on behalf of the victims of the discriminatory, belittling and arrogant standpoint expressed within the publication, it is only imperative that the administration operates within the Code of Conduct by denouncing the recognition of the "Counterweight" as an affiliate of Bucknell.

If the "Counterweight" writers wish to market their arrogance, it should not be under the endorsement and representation of the University. It is a slap in the face to all affiliates of the University that the administration continues to acknowledge the discriminatory publication as representative of the University's ideals. In fact, it is the first time that many students have openly expressed their embarrassment towards the University.

Administrative officials must reconsider their position on the legitimacy of the "Counterweight" with respect to the campus community at large, and with acknowledgementpocrisy that the University will encounter as a promoter of multiculturalism. If this publication is allowed to proceed under the auspices of the University, the future of student life at the University will undoubtedly be a more threatening one.



All you wanted to know about being a superpower, but didn't want to ask

By Michael Niebauer
Senior Writer

You know you are a superpower when your military spending dwarfs the entire military structure of the rest of the world. Leaders proudly and provocatively strut about concerning world affairs, abolishing hard won treaties (Strategic Arms Limitations Talks and the Kyoto Accord). Some are outdated and perhaps flawed, but could be altered instead of abandoned.

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You know you're a superpower when you can make superficial and wide ranging decisions affecting the lives of millions, without really being held accountable for them. Rose pointed to Rome as a lonely and singular precedent in terms of power over world affairs. How we wield this power should be tempered by a more open embrace of the United Nations.

This should be done because of the new military and economic forces in the world that too easily mix religion with interests and read fanaticism. As Wright wrote, "in an age when hatred abroad morphs easily into mass murder on your own soil, the line between generosity and martyrdom begins to blur." Bush offers the United States as a global, unilateral sheriff. This may seem generous, but will it be a wise offer?

Also, if you insist on being sheriff, the rest of the world should at least agree that the laws you are to enforce are fair. If you fail in this, you set yourself up not just as sheriff, but also judge, jury and, ultimately, executioner. This stance doesn't usually promote peaceful outcomes. How long will we be willing to play this role, and at what cost if we insist on going it mostly alone? You know you're a superpower when you forget your own human fallibility. Even the United States can make mistakes.

In a "Business Week" article, Bruce Nussbaum said that Bush's policy is only half right. Nussbaum recognized the initial sense of urgency to do something, but "preemption as a core principle of the new security doctrine opens Pandora's box by wreaking havoc with traditional norms of self defense."

Rose pointed out as well that right-wing British firebrand Margaret Thatcher and the United States protested the 1981 the bombing of the French-built Iraqi nuclear plant. International rules of behavior must be internationally adhered to or we enter a new world of ongoing uncertainty. Does the United States really want the role of sheriff in this potential environment? Are we willing to project power in sufficient amounts to enforce ... what?

Recent U.S. actions work to denigrate the United Nations and many provisions of treaties and international law. Actions in Panama and Nicaragua prove that we are not above twisting foreign policy for our own narrow needs and domestic consumption. Another sign of a superpower is to deny such uncomfortable facts and to forget that most of the time its actions affect innocent lives.

We owe that to the victims of Sept. 11, those who have died during the sanctions in Iraq and the potential deaths to come as we once again move toward confrontation and another complicated outcome.

"America has historically found it projects power best by exercising it through international institutions operating with shared values and goals," Nussbaum said. "Much has changed since Sept. 11. This hasn't."

These are the problems of a superpower that come with our current uncomfortable crown. We should strive to avoid any self-inflicted wounds.

The Romans failed from their own success; we should learn from their ancient example of overextension through intervention. We should use the international institutions that are in place, improving them rather than ignoring their potential.

People of Lewisburg have right to be upset

By Daniel Morel
Senior Writer

The clock showed 2 a.m. on a Friday night as Galloway residents were unwinding in the lounge to the almost ritualistic sounds outside. Crowds of students leaving the night's festivities pass by on their way home, boisterously chatting and banging the stop sign on 6th and St. George Streets with regularity that pocket watches would envy.

As it approached 3 a.m., a car raced out of the 6th Street borough. Over the engine roar, several male voices were heard shouting a variety of obscenities. Conversation in the lounge stopped briefly. Eyes rolled back in disgust. Reminiscing over living on the edge of campus ensued.

People recalled recent events, such as the night of Friday, Sept. 6, when an inebriated individual threw a cooler at the Galloway kitchen window, shattering it and spreading shards inwards, resulting in bloody feet for the next week. The perpetrator was chased down Smith Quad and lost his shoe in perfect Cinderella form; a pair of sneakers was his price for escape.

Others recall a dreadful accident that occurred weeks ago. A Jeep turned left off of 6th without coming to a full stop. It collided with a small sedan. The sedan's owner was in tears. Her car was totaled; it was scrapped a week later. The Jeep's owner gave an air of disgust at this time-consuming disturbance. Her vehicle appeared unharmed from 10 feet away. Overheard were the words, "Oh my God, at least my car is OK."

Everyone called it a night, having ranted all they want to, but thoughts of living around 6th and St. George lingered in my mind the next day. Three years of waking up to broken bottles and used condoms on the lawn is hard to forget. Neither is the beauty of seeing the fog rise off St. George early in the morning while joggers pass by, waving at Father Marty Moran busily clearing off his porch, University Chaplain Oliver walking his black lab or three years of lockdowns to keep out thieves, stalkers and brave little squirrels.

Having wandered downtown, I made my way back home down 6th Street around 4 p.m. that Saturday. Students were beginning to joyously gather at friends' residences. At one house a stranger approached me, asking if I'd go to the bar with him. Other houses already had bottles circulating among the porch dwellers, while at a third house I saw a keg being lifted up the stairs to the cheers of onlookers.

Parties in the Borough are not a rarity, evident by the girls walking from Vedder Hall wrapped in Saran Wrap and garbage bags for an "anything but clothes" theme party, or the gaggles of skimpily dressed ladies making their way to the "pimps and hoes" parties. These parties do not occur weekly, but the excitement they elicit is nothing new. It is all part of the routine migrations at 9 p.m. and 3 a.m.

With all that occurs in the 6th Street and St. George area, though, there is some relief in seeing some of the uncomfortable sights that accompany the shenanigans. The police cars parked outside every weekend night are a reminder that vandalism and theft occur all the time. Every week this semester the area has had a Public Safety entry involving more than alcohol. Whether Newman House property is being destroyed, microwaves are being stolen or Galloway residents are gearing up for another night of havoc on the house during Halloween, there is a darker side to Borough festivities that merits keeping an eye on.

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Opinions

First Amendment protects even Busta Rhymes

By Jessica Morris
Staff Writer

I find it interesting that one issue of the "Counterweight" slanders Busta Rhymes for the content of his songs and for using the "F-word," and almost the very next issue the publication praises Eminem for advocating free speech—like Busta Rhymes wasn't.

I ask what is the difference between these two artists? They both disrespect women and use the "B-word." In a quote from the "Counterweight" referring to Busta Rhymes, Eminem said, "I didn't even bother to count how many times the F word appears in the songs."

The profanity and hate speech that Eminem is being praised for is the same profanity and hate speech that Busta Rhymes was labeled a bigot for. "Let's do the math, if I black I would've sold half, I ain't have to graduate from Lincoln High School to know that," Eminem said. I hope for our sake that he isn't right.

I think that the article on Eminem in the current issue of the "Counterweight" put this into proper words that should have applied to Busta Rhymes, but obviously did not.

"In spite of our propensity to silence those whose speech is worthless, tasteless or offensive, we allow that speech." Eminem may not be apart of Aryan Nation, but his hate speech against gays and women is still hate speech—instead directed towards a different group of people.

I just hope that if we are going to be advocates of the First Amendment, then allow that First Amendment right to be for everyone and not merely reserved just for the artist that we like and criticized for the artist that we don't like.

I find that the growing backlash against what some may perceive as a growing left-progressive thinking on campus forgetful that the First Amendment protects even Busta Rhymes.

I believe that it takes real courage to oppose the campus orthodoxy, but not backing up what you say through your own actions is an injustice to that First Amendment right that you are trying to protect.

Should we dump the University's idea of "who can say what" and adopt the "Counterweight's"? Even Eminem understands the gravity of backing up everything that he says. "Cus what you say is what say, say what say how you say it whenever you sayin' it / just remember how you said it when you was sprayin' it, so who you playin' wit, huh?" But like Hailie Jade said "I think my dad's gone carazzzzzy."

University does not help race situation

By Aaron Hanlon
Staff Writer

As author Flannery O'Connor so wonderfully articulated, "When the whole world is deaf, you have no choice but to shout." And every morning I wake up in a world that appears to be deaf to the sound of a reasonable argument. Everyone is all of the sudden an expert psychologist and veteran judge at the same time, capable of deciphering observed behavior into hard evidence and proof beyond any reasonable doubt that the infamous "Counterweight" is guilty of malicious intent.

So the "Counterweight" is left standing in the middle of this absurdity, shouting "slander," "libel" and "please don't hurt me!" Has our society fallen to the point of tone-deafness at which no distinction can be made between the civil discussion of sensitive or taboo issues and the deplorable practice of hate speech?

If we are going to uphold the notion that race matters in any circumstance, we must be mature enough to discuss both race-related issues and the implications of these issues on other important topics such as free speech without slandering or libeling people as racist or malicious for simply initiating dialogue in a civil manner.

According to the University's statement regarding the recent controversy over the "Counterweight," the publication included stories that "many felt supported the use of action and speech intended to intimidate and threaten minority students at Bucknell." The "Counterweight" did indeed include articles that discussed the University administration's handling of previous race-related issues in the context of effects on free speech at the University.

The articles' descriptions of the blackface and crank call incidents in no way condoned the offensive acts in question. To the contrary, the author of the blackface article explicitly stated that he was "not defending [blackface]," but simply that "the administration's reaction was also worthy of comment." Though a race-related issue was raised, this is certainly not an indication of intentions to "intimidate and threaten minority students." The very assumption that intent can somehow be interpreted and proven in this case without any expertise or supporting evidence is ludicrous.

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It is unfortunate that our administration has helped to turn two emotionally-charged, race-related issues into campus-wide conflicts by disregarding the essential element of intent in both cases, and stomping on the First Amendment in the process. But it is both unfortunate and ironic that the same administration is now using intent to once again perpetuate the increasing blurriness of the line between discussion of race-related topics and hate speech.

Social change stifled by partisan politics

By Josh Fisher
Opinions Editor

Can the students of the University really reduce to either liberal or conservative? The Greek and the non-Greek? The majority and the minority? The oppressors or the oppressed? Black, white, Asian, heterosexual, homosexual, bisexual, vegan, vegetarian, omnivore, rich, poor or any of the other labels we readily slap on ourselves and each other?

Can these really encapsulate all political and philosophical ideas, all identities and people?

When I was a first-year student, within weeks I discovered that the first key social power at the University was the Greek system. It seemed to govern almost all aspects of social life. I quickly constructed an abstract framework of "Greek/non-Greek," and by mapping certain trends it was easy for me to jump to the conclusion that Greek life stifled diversity, hindered intellectual curiosity and oppressed women. Horror after horror I attributed to Greek life, and I condemned it all—I quickly dismissed it.

Then some the fraternity brothers and sorority sisters I met turned out to be intelligent and often-concerned people. What to do? These people did not fit into the convenient pigeonholes of my paradigm.

Indeed, it has held true to my experience that the stereotypes of the Greek system do not reflect the population of this campus, nor are they responsible for all of the University's troubling ills across the board. And thinking of the entire population in such reducible terms fails because these labels don't always fit.

Such is the problem that has plagued the "Counterweight," "The Catalyst" and the Opinions section of *The Bucknellian*. We have reduced intellectual discourse to mere mud-slinging, name-calling, and sweeping generalizations about the left and the right. There has been nothing in between.

Indeed the consequence has been no progress in these ongoing debates.

For all our differences, are we still not a group of individuals who have merely come from different backgrounds and different lives, who have different perspectives on politics, philosophy and life? Yet we still reduce full-bodied people to abstract concepts, like "Greek" or "conservative" or "minority." Fundamentally, we have failed to understand individuals as living people, rather than walking cardboard-cutout stereotypes.

Violence against women is real. Sexual assault is real. Hate crimes are real. Those who wish to address issues of racism, sexism, homophobia, gun control or the economic problems of real people in the real world have been caught up in a storm of partisan mud-slinging and name-calling.

We subscribe to these fallacies, believing that one or a few social systems like the Greek system, or the ongoing war-games between the left and the right, govern the dynamics of the whole University—and in the process there is no longer any reason to try to know people, because, having grasped their essence, we dismiss them.

Unlike the labels we so easily place on each other, people are truly multi-sided and irreducibly particular. An analysis of the framework of the University in terms of such hasty generalizations, abstractions and partisan labels is inherently an analysis devoid of the very people it involves. We instead resort to generalizations like "the faculty is too liberal" or "Bucknellians are all spoiled, rich and conservative."

Humans are not isolated, atemporal, static beings who conform to these labels and stereotypes. Humans are social beings, who exist in human relationships. We are imbedded in a historical context, in concrete yet constructed relations with power structures and social structures—property relations, institutional structures, knowledge structures and other parts of everyday life. We are born into relations that form the stage upon which we act. Not only is human action an extension of these social relations, it also the transformation of this society—each moment within a culture is both a limit and a chance for liberation.

Conservatives feel victimized by a liberal administration. Liberals feel victimized by a conservative student body. This back and forth has gone on forever, it seems, and there is no way this is ever going to be resolved.

The discordant sound of this partisan dispute has almost drowned out the very thought of true progress and true change.

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These issues that concern these various structures of our society are of importance to the people they affect, and each person's life fares better or worse for the one whose life it is.

Let us not reduce these importance issues to pettiness or name-calling, for a word once uttered cannot be taken aback. Let us speak to each other, not at each other–perhaps then we can grasp the idea of true change, and indeed liberation.

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BUSINESS & POLITICS

House and Senate approve use of military force in Iraq

By David LaRoss
Writer

President George W. Bush won a major victory for his proposed war against Iraq on Friday, as both houses of Congress approved resolutions that will allow him to use force against Iraqi President Saddam Hussein if he does not give up the weapons of mass destruction that the United States claim Iraq possesses.

With the passage of the "Authorization for Use of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution," Bush has the authority to engage U.S. troops in a pre-emptive strike against Iraq, provided he can prove that the country possesses or is trying to obtain weapons of mass destruction and has the intent to use them. The resolution requests, though it does not require, that the president "obtain prompt and decisive action by the [U.N.] Security Council," to force Iraq to comply with U.N. demands before using military force.

According to *The Associated Press*, Bush said that Iraq "must disarm and comply with all existing resolutions or it will be forced to comply. There are no other options."

Iraq has long denied the allegations that it possesses biological, nuclear or chemical weapons.

"If the American administration is interested in inspecting these sites, then they're welcome to come over and have a look for themselves," said Deputy Prime Minister Abdul Tawab Al-Mulah Huwaish, who called the accusations "lies," according to CNN.com.

The White House has rejected that offer, saying that it is the United Nations' place to carry out inspections, not the United States'.

The House and Senate passed the identical resolutions last week—the House by a vote of 296-133 on Thursday evening, and the Senate by 77-23 early Friday morning. Both votes were divided along party lines, with only seven Republicans in total voting against the resolution—six representatives, and Sen. Lincoln Chafee of Rhode Island. Twenty-nine Democratic senators and 82 of the party's representatives—among them House Minority Leader Richard Gephardt (D-Mo.), who helped write the resolution—voted with the Republicans.

"I believe we have an obligation to protect the United States by preventing [Hussein] from getting these weapons and either using them himself or passing them or their components on to terrorists who share his destructive intent," Gephardt said to CNN.com.

One of the strongest critics of the action was Sen. Robert Byrd (D-W.Va.), whose threat to filibuster the Senate debates was stopped by a 75-25 vote to end the deliberations entirely on Thursday afternoon.

"Let us stop, look and listen. Let us not give this president or any president unchecked power. Remember the Constitution," said Byrd, who, throughout the debate, had been firmly against giving the president what he said amounted to the authority to declare war—an authority expressly granted to Congress in the Constitution, according to CNN.com.

Sen. John McCain (R-Ariz.) spoke for the majority—both in Congress and, according to polls nationwide, among the American people, when he said to *The Associated Press*, "Giving peace a chance only gives Saddam Hussein more time to prepare for war on his terms, at a time of his choosing, in pursuit of ambitions that will only grow as his power to achieve them grows."

In addition to growing plans for war, according to *The New York Times*, a plan is already in development for a postwar occupation of Iraq, modeled on the military government installed in Japan after World War II. The proposal would call for a military commander to be installed immediately following the end of the Hussein regime, extending at least until U.S. troops completely search the country for, and dispose of, weapons of mass destruction.

The plan is intended to protect against the infighting that has dominated Afghanistan's politics since the fall of the Taliban, and to prevent external groups from using Hussein's presumed fall to seize power in Iraq.

"We will not be treating Iraq as a defeated nation," one senior administration official said to *The New York Times*. The goal of the liberation is a "representative, democratic government," the administrator said but "we will get to that through some phases."

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Looking ahead to November elections

Courtesy of Reuters

Florida Governor Jeb Bush and Democratic challenger Bill McBride shake hands following a debate in Orlando. Elections in Florida and other states will be close.

By Jim Leahy
Senior Writer

Politicians are working hard heading into the next two and a half weeks, as Election Day is fast approaching. The polls are showing some of the tightest elections in a long time, and the Democrats and Republicans are running around trying to win control of the House and Senate. Candidates are debating the issues concerning the electorate. Voters are beginning to receive their absentee ballots. The next few weeks will hold the answers to how the next couple of years will work in Washington, D.C., and around the nation.

President George W. Bush is out on the campaign trail working hard to support the members of his party running for re-election or for seats that are up for grabs. The biggest and most important job he has is to help the re-election campaign of his brother, Florida Governor Jeb Bush, who, according to a recent MSNBC poll, is only three points ahead of Democratic challenger Bill McBride.

According to *The Washington Post*, "this may be leading to yet another cliffhanger in Florida, the state that has become synonymous with voting disaster. But at least one county is calling in reinforcements before a third Election Day meltdown. The Miami-Dade Police Department has been tasked with putting all facets of the Nov. 5 election together, from managing logistics and transportation to staffing and training."

This year's campaigns have not been without controversy. In New Jersey, Democratic Sen. Robert Torricelli dropped out of the Senate race after being more than 13 points behind in the polls. After a battle in New Jersey Supreme Court, Democrats replaced Torricelli with former Sen. Frank Lautenberg. Lautenberg, a Democrat, has since taken back the lead from Republican challenger Doug Forrester and, according to the latest Quinnipiac University poll, leads Forrester by 4 percentage points.

In Iowa, Democratic Sen. Tom Harkin became involved in a Watergate-like scandal. "Harkin's campaign provided a digital recorder to a former Harkin aide to take to a Sept. 3 strategy session of the Ganske campaign, to which the former aide had been invited. The campaign then leaked a copy of the recording to an Iowa reporter. Harkin's campaign staff first denied any involvement, then admitted to it," *The Washington Post* reported. Amazingly, the race is much closer than many had imagined, and this could be one of the closet come Election Day.

New York's gubernatorial race had an interesting event over the weekend with the race's first debate. Incumbent George Pataki, D-N.Y., agreed to the debate only if all the candidates were present. On Sunday, the debate allowed candidates—including those from the Marijuana Reform Party and Right to Life Party—to speak for less than 10 minutes. Andrew Cuomo, candidate for the Liberal Party, refused the invitation to the debate.

"Critics suggest Mr. Pataki insisted on this format to allow only the briefest of opportunities for partisan attacks, and to minimize attention on his main rivals, Mr. McCall and Tom Golisano, the self-financed billionaire and Independence candidate," *The New York Times* reported. The race remains close, but Pataki is holding a lead that most expect to hold up through the election.

Finally, Bush has been working hard to control the topic of debate on which the election is centered. Iraq has been the primary focus of the president, and Democrats have been pushing hard to move the focus towards the economy.

"The economy has not yet kicked into effect in these races," said Stuart Rothenberg, who publishes a nonpartisan political newsletter and closely follows races for Congress and governor, in *The New York Times*. "I ask pollsters about this every day and there's no indication that what appears to be an increase in public concern about the economy and Wall Street is taking on a partisan coloration. The public does not yet, and may not ever, blame the president and his party."

The latest CBS News/*New York Times* poll shows that the public would like to see more done about the economy, "Seventy percent of voters say they want to hear what candidates have to say about the economy, while 17 percent of voters want to hear the candidates' positions on Iraq. Fifty-six percent of Americans, more than at any time since 1993, say the national economy is in bad shape. Just 41 percent approve of the way President Bush is handling the economy—the lowest number since he took office."

The poll also points out, "Republican and Democratic likely voters strongly indicate they will vote along party lines. Independent likely voters, however, are split; just under half say they will vote for the Republican and a similar number plan to cast their ballot for the Democrat. There is a gender gap; men will support the Republican candidate over the Democrat, while women will support the Democrat."

Election Day 2002 will certainly be interesting as many story lines come to an end and some of the tightest elections are contested. The major parties are working hard to secure control of Congress and maintain their seats in gubernatorial races around the country.

U.K. suspends government in Northern Ireland

By David LaRoss
Writer

Since the larger part of the island of Ireland gained its independence from Great Britain in 1949, the British province of Northern Ireland has been torn apart by an internal conflict that sometimes bordered on civil war. Its citizens fought politically between Irish Catholic separatists (or republicans, because they favor a unified Irish republic) and ethnically English Protestants, who generally favor a continued union between Northern Ireland and Britain. Such terrorist organizations as the Irish Republican Army (IRA) also engaged in the violent debate over whether the territory should remain in the United Kingdom.

That debate halted late Monday, as Secretary of Northern Ireland John Reid announced the suspension of its government, placing the province under the direct rule of the national government. This is the fourth time the government has been suspended in its three-year history.

Courtesy of Reuters

Earlier this week, Sinn Fein President Gerry Adams addressed journalists in west Belfast, Northern Ireland. In response to possible IRA intelligence gatherings on government officials, the United Kingdom has suspended Northern Ireland's governing power.

Provincial rule was suspended when the Democratic Unionist Party quit the government entirely, and the more moderate Ulster Unionist Party threatened to follow suit, after evidence came out that the IRA, often associated with the major republican party Sinn Fein, had been spying on government officials and using that information to plan terrorist attacks.

There are indications, according to CNN, that this suspension may last more than three months, which would make it the longest of the four suspensions of local government in Northern Ireland. Reid does not dispute that claim, but has said that he will make every effort to re-establish provincial government before the elections scheduled for next May.

"I hope the decision I have taken today marks a breathing space—a chance to gather strength—before [the peace] process moves forward once again," Reid said on CNN.com.

It is particularly important for Reid and his allies in the Labor Party that the situation be resolved quickly, as peace in Northern Ireland is one of the main goals of British Prime Minister Tony Blair's government.

The Good Friday Agreement established the current government of Northern Ireland in 1998 through an effort to end the conflict in the province by allowing separatists and unionists to govern together within a representative democracy.

"We're just getting on with our normal lives," Belfast resident Jane Fitzpatrick said to Reuters. "It hasn't really affected us too much yet. The politicians will fight it out, I suppose, but everyone knows we can't go backwards."

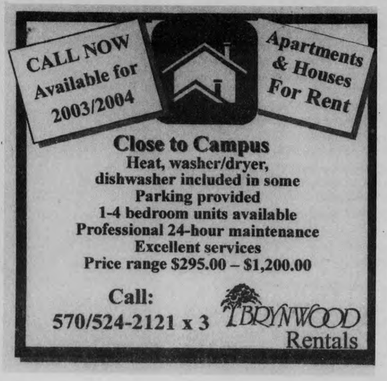
The Unionist Parties walked out of the government, threatening to paralyze it entirely, to protest Sinn Fein's being allowed to remain in the legislature while not complying with demands to either disarm the IRA or disband it entirely. Gerry Adams, president of Sinn Fein, argued that his party, which is officially opposed to paramilitary groups like the IRA, could not be held responsible for its continued existence, and blamed the unionists' stubbornness in the peace process for their strike.

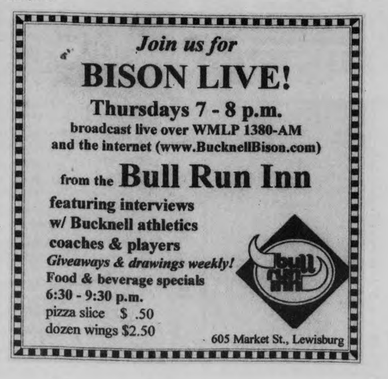
"We are in this particular situation because once again unionists threaten the institutions and Mr. Reid moved to accommodate them," Adams said.

Reid seemed to place the blame on both sides. In his official announcement he said that "there is absolutely no legitimacy to the use of violence," but also that "I have never met anyone in Northern Ireland outside of the politicians who wishes to get rid of the peace process," as the unionists may be in danger of doing.

Historically speaking, the suspension of government was the most prudent option available to the British government. Peace in Northern Ireland rests on both unionist and separatist factions having some degree of power, and when one or the other is allowed to dominate the government, the situation has almost always degenerated into violence, claiming some 3,600 lives over the course of the conflict.

"Here we go again, right?" Belfast resident Jeremy Logan said on MSNBC.com. "They'll come back to the negotiating table, eventually. They have to. There's no alternative. Or rather, the alternative is too terrible to contemplate."





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Tales of a cross country runner

By Evan Honeyfield
Staff Writer

Anyone who follows the women's cross country team will undoubtedly tell you that there is a difference to this year's team. The difference this year is that five out of the top seven runners in every meet so far have been first-year students. Six of these women (Lauren Kinsley, Jamie Gow, Julie Jackaboski, Kayla Halloran, Alison Cole and Rachel Tutmaher) have held positions in the top seven through four meets.

I recently caught up with Halloran, Cole and Tutmaher after a brutal workout that many girls on the team didn't finish. All three are small in stature, but they began to leave their mark as soon as they arrived on campus. Each has finished no worse than sixth for the team so far this season.

BUCKNELLIAN: Talk about your transition from high school to college.

KH: The captains were very helpful in making me feel comfortable here. It took a while to get used to the training. I thought I would get buried in the back of the pack.

RT: College life is a lot to get used to, but I like it more and more.

AC: The older girls were very helpful in answering whatever question we had. Kelly Raffety '05 helped us a lot.

BUCKNELLIAN: Is the training much different?

AC: The main difference is training seven days a week with only one day off per month. I feel Coach focuses on keeping us healthy for four years and not just through the season.

RT: Training intensity is much harder here. I push myself hard every day and the competition is intense.

BUCKNELLIAN: What's the team atmosphere like?

KH: Everyone is very friendly and not as intense as I expected, but still very focused on their running. The girls are laid back, which helps me stay calm on race days.

AC: It is a balance between training/competing seriously and having fun while you are doing the work.

RT: Everyone on the team looks out for each other and are very good friends.

BUCKNELLIAN: You were pretty much the best runners from your high schools. How is running in the pack different?

KH: Running with other people has been the most helpful part of my running, especially in races. I feel so much stronger running in a pack because we all push each other. It's a lot easier than running alone.

AC: Pack running is helpful because everyone works together and pulls each other through the tough moments in practice and races. It helps you focus less on pace and more on everything else going on in the race.

BUCKNELLIAN: What are your goals individually and as a team?

RT: My goals are to stay healthy and keep steadily improving throughout the rest of the season. I think it would be awesome if our team could qualify for nationals.

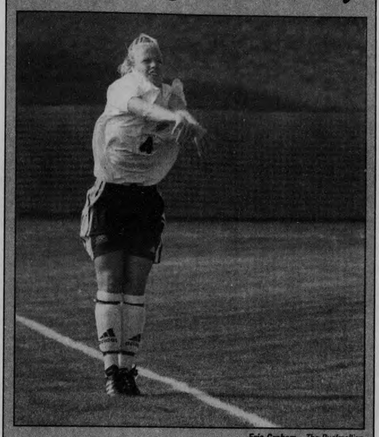
AC: I would like to see our girl's team have a healthy season and make it to nationals.

KH: I will try to remain in the top three and place in the top 20 in the Patriot League. As a team, I hope we can beat Army so we can be No. 1 in the league. I hope all the injured people recover soon so we can run strong on Nov. 2.

Most likely you will hear of these girls more over the next few years as they continue to develop as runners. Qualifying for nationals this season may be a bit unrealistic for such a young team, but maybe these girls' ability to dream big might be why they are running so big. Don't be surprised to see the Class of 2006 leave with four league titles and a national ranking.

Look for both the men's and women's cross country teams as they split their squads this coming weekend. The varsity is heading to Indiana State to battle it out with most of the top schools in the nation at the Pre-National meet and the junior varsity squad is heading to the Lafayette Invitational.

Women's soccer cannot find net against Army



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Kate Cramer '06 was a large part of the defense against Army.

By Dave Cohen
Senior Writer

The Bucknell women's soccer team was unable to manufacture a win on Oct. 12, losing 1-0 to Army at West Point. Bucknell finished the weekend at 5-6-1 overall and 0-3 in the Patriot League.

The weather was a tremendous factor in the game, which was scoreless on both sides through the first half of play. Army is the third Patriot League foe that the Orange and Blue have faced this season. The Bison have yet to score a goal against a league opponent this season, while they have given up five. Michelle Santonacita '05 believes that the opportunity for scoring has recently been there, but the ball has not found the net.

"Not including the past two games, we were in a slump offensively," Santonacita said. "I feel like since we played Cornell we are getting many more chances; we just haven't put the ball away. It's only a matter of time before we put things together."

Laurie Purse '03, solid in goal once again, had four saves, while allowing just the one Black Knight score. Bucknell lost starter Meghan Ferris '06 in the first half of the game to injury. Purse spoke about how the squad will be hurt without Ferris.

"She is a ferocious player on the field, who has come through big for us in games and dominates in the air," Purse said. "I think, at this point in our season, it is a huge disadvantage for us not to have her out there playing with us. She is strong and I hope she will be back soon, but for right now we just need to concentrate on doing what we can to win. Our team has been playing much better these past few games, even if the scoreboard doesn't show it, and we are going to keep playing hard and giving each game everything we have to give. I have a feeling things are going to turn around for us this week."

Santonacita agrees that the team has lost a tremendous player, but she is optimistic about someone else stepping up their game to compensate.

"Ferris is a very strong player who is a presence in the back," Santonacita said. "I think we will be OK because we are trying new formations. Also, [Megan] Farrell '05 is almost ready to return. So we lose a quality player but gain another good one."

In the 61st minute of the game, Army's Delaney Brown headed the ball to Leigh Kosco who netted what was ultimately the game winner. The Bison did not give up, as Annie Greenspun '05 had a head shot at the goal with just about six minutes remaining that was saved by the Black Knight goalie. Meghann Chipko '05 said what a great attempt Greenspun's shot was and how the save broke the team's heart.

"It was awesome," Chipko said. "She has been a huge impact player lately. It is good to see players like her step up and give us opportunities to score. We had a couple chances to score but not that many, so it was unfortunate that her ball did not go in."

Head Coach Chrissy Findlay has been adamant about sorting out the team's deficiencies and providing answers to them.

"Our primary problem has been with our consistency all over the field," Findlay said. "There have been too many goals scored on us and they have put us behind quickly. Is this team trying too hard to figure out a problem rather than just going out and playing soccer? At times, maybe, but our morale is overall OK.

"We are a close team, win or lose. Because of this we work hard every day and the women respect each other as players. It will take continued perseverance, team focus and a willingness to work hard every day. Having fun has never been a problem for our team. We seem to always find a way to play hard and keep perspective on things, " Findlay said.

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Laurie Purse '03 had four saves and allowed just one Army score.

Bucknell soccer keeps on rolling

Three shutouts this weekend gave the Bison a 4-0 season record

Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian

Forward Eric Brunton '06 has made a big impact on the Bison forward line. Brunton has three goals and two assists on the season. The team will play Lehigh tomorrow.

By Tara Utchel
Senior Writer

The men's soccer team increased its wins to 10 this past week with victories over St. Francis and SHU. This is the first time the team has reached 10 wins in a season since 1993.

Bucknell updated the record books on Tuesday, Oct. 15 when it reached double figures in the win column. St. Francis did not have a chance, as the Bison outscored them 2-1. Greg Buzzell '05 scored his first goal of the season in the 31st minute of the game. Pat Glennon '04 and Ori Adrabi '05 connected a pass that assisted the goal. Buzzell blasted a shot from 20 yards out to take the 1-0 lead.

Chris Beekman '04 increased the lead to two just 10 minutes into the second half. St. Francis retaliated five minutes later, but the final score of the game remained 2-1. Beekman now has two goals for the season. Jon Hemmert '05 and Tom Ryan '03 were accredited with the assists.

Hemmert received his team-leading 10th assist during this past week of soccer matches. He also leads the team in points with a total of 14 for the season so far. Hemmert is two assists shy of the school single-season record.

The team looks for Hemmert to take the free kicks anywhere within 35 yards of the goal.

"He is so accurate on restarts we feel we can score anytime we have a restart in the offensive third," Head Coach Brendan Nash said.

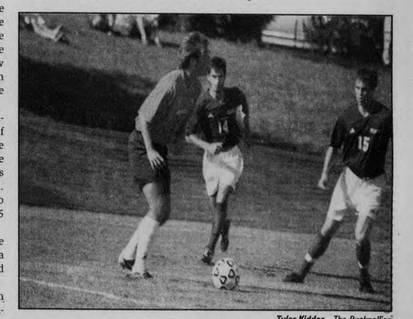
On Sunday, Oct. 13, the Bison outscored Sacred Heart 2-1 with back-to-back goals towards the end of the first half. Hemmert scored the first goal of the game around the 32 minute marker. The Orange and Blue defense transitioned out of the back with a pass to Eric Brunton '06. He then made a crisp pass to Hemmert, who was waiting on the flank. Hemmert took a rifling shot from 35 yards out to *put the ball away in SHU's net.*

The Bison wasted no time in achieving their second goal of the game. Hemmert, from his outside midfield position, crossed a beautiful ball to the far post. Michael Lookingland '05 met the ball in the box and managed to get a piece of it with his head. At the same time, Brunton was making a run in the box behind Lookingland. Brunton received the deflection from Lookingland's head and sent the ball past the diving SHU goalkeeper for the 2-0 lead.

Bucknell appeared to have complete control of the game, until the Pioneers snuck one behind keeper Adam Edwards '06 just four minutes into the second half.

Sacred Heart took it to Bucknell *the entire second half, outshooting the* Bison 9-8. The Orange and Blue's defense managed to fend SHU off to secure Bucknell's ninth win of the season.

The Bison are looking to improve their season to 11 wins. Their next match is against Lehigh Saturday, Oct. 19 at 7 p.m..



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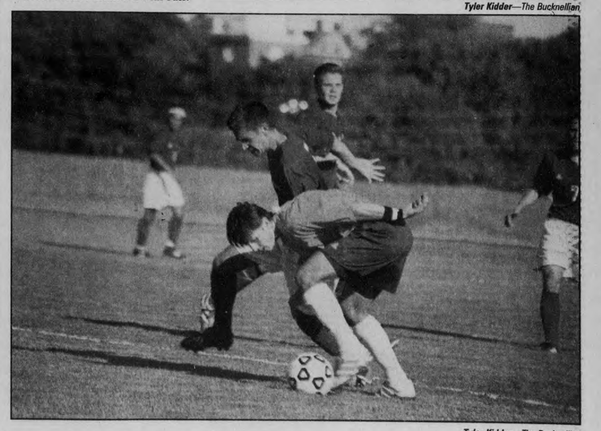


Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian

Above: Midfielder Jonathan Hemmert '05 received his team-leading 10th assist in the game against St. Francis. Below: Bucknell has had good ballhandling throughout the season, which has been vital to their 4-0 PL record.

Sports

Bison fall to Lock Haven

By Ashley Hall
Staff Writer

The Bison field hockey team fell victim to a strong performance by Lock Haven on Tuesday, Oct. 15, ultimately losing by a score of 3-1. The loss was the team's only game this past week, as the Friday night contest against Quinnipiac was canceled due to inclement weather.

Lock Haven came into this game as the second-place team in Division II rankings, and also had a four-game winning streak on the line.

Lock Haven struck first, as Nikki Sweger scored the first goal 12 minutes, 4 seconds into the game, but the tenacious Bison squad held them at bay for the rest of the half.

The game came to life in the final few minutes of play, as the Bison evened up the score 47:30 into the game. The Orange and Blue capitalized on a penalty corner when Meiko

Boynton '05 hit a shot from 12 yards out. Both teams held up defensively for another seven minutes, until Sweger scored her second goal of the match to put the Eagles on top for good. Lock Haven netted an insurance goal when Jen DeNault swatted a shot out of midair to bring the score to 3-1, 58:30 into the game.

Assisting the Eagles' goals were Hale and Ebaugh. Boynton's goal, her sixth of the season, was assisted by Lindsey Gentel '04 and Stephanie Cabral '05.

Orange and Blue goalkeeper Sonja Wettergreen '03 was solid despite the loss, as she recorded 10 saves. Lock Haven's goalie Melissa Stubblefield had five saves.

Lock Haven outshot Bucknell 19-9. The Bison had 11 penalty corners, while the Eagles had 12.

Although the loss was disappointing, the Bison remain optimistic.

"We have unbelievable potential. Being such a young team, everything is a learning experience," Lindsey Gentel '04 said. "We did not play our best against Lock Haven and I believe the team is going to embrace this game as a learning experience about how imperative it is to always play with that burning desire to win and compete. Yes, the outcome of the game is disappointing, but it just might be the reality check we need."

The win runs Lock Haven's impressive record to 13-2 on the season, as they reeled in their fifth straight victory. The Bison's record dropped to 5-8 overall, but is still 2-2 in Patriot League competition.

The Bison hope to get back to their winning ways at Vermont on Sunday, Oct. 19 at 1 p.m.

Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian
The Bison lost a tough game to Lock Haven last Tuesday.

Volleyball downs Army 3-1 in PL match

The Bison are riding a three-game win streak and are 4-2 in Patriot League competition

By Brent Butler
Sports Editor

After beating Navy last week in three games, the Bucknell women's volleyball team is on a roll. The Bison are on a three-match winning streak and have improved to 4-2 in the Patriot League and a 10-8 overall record.

On Saturday night the Bison completed their weekend road trip with a 3-1 victory over the Black Knights of Army. The Bison were led to victory by Melanie Ghiz '03, who had 17 kills; and Jennifer Wrigley '03 and Brandi Trapasso '04, who each contributed 14 kills to the Bison victory.

The Bison fell in the first game of the night by a score of 30-23, but the Orange and Blue came back to win the next three consecutive games, 30-27, 30-25 and 31-29.

Bucknell	3
Army	1

Breann Trapasso '04 led the offense with 35 assists, and Chelsea Anderson '06 led the team with 19 digs while Brandi Trapasso added 15 and Wrigley contributed 14 to the victory. Ghiz had a strong offensive hitting percentage of .341 and added six blocks to her 17 kills throughout the match.

On Friday, Oct. 11, the Bison beat Patriot League foe Holy Cross, 3-0. Bucknell gained its first win of the night in a 30-22 victory over the Crusaders. The Orange and Blue easily defeated Holy Cross in the second match, 30-17, and in a close third game, Ghiz's six kills helped lead the Bison to a 30-25 victory.

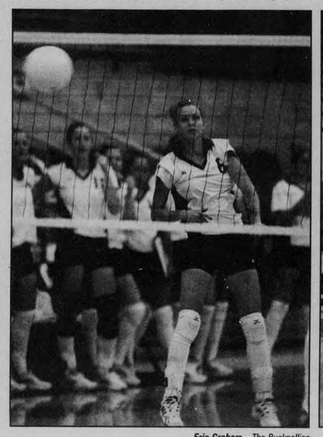
Ghiz had 14 kills on the night and had an extremely solid .500 hitting percentage. Wrigley had nine kills. Breann Trapasso marked 35 assists in the winning effort. Brandi Trapasso tallied eight digs and eight kills on a night that marked her 1,000th career dig, now tallying a total of 1,018 after the Army game.

Brandi Trapasso is only the third Bucknell athlete to reach the 1,000 mark in career digs on the all-time charts. Ghiz received the September Athlete of the Month Award from local cosponsors K.I.C.K.S. Martial Arts for Women and Curves for Women.

Ghiz has had an excellent year so far; she leads the team in hitting with a .227 percentage and has marked 200 kills in 54 games. She also leads the team in blocking with .72 blocks per game for the season.

Ghiz was also named the Bull Run Inn Athlete of the Week from the Athletics Communications office. Ghiz had a .403 hitting percentage between the two matches against Army and Holy Cross this weekend. She had 14 kills, three aces, three digs and six assists with only one error in the game against Holy Cross.

The Bison now hold a 10-8 overall record and are 4-2 in the Patriot League. Bucknell will face Patriot League foe Colgate on Friday, Oct. 18 in Hamilton N.Y., before traveling to Syracuse, N.Y., for a non-league match with LeMoyne College on Sunday, Oct. 20 at 2 p.m.



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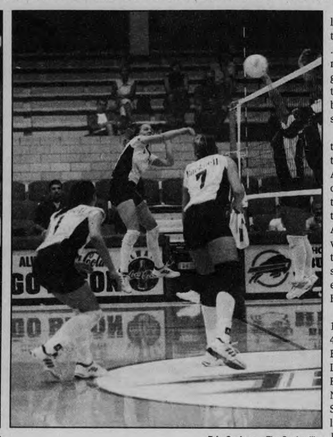
Chelsea Robertson '05 watches her hit sail over the net. She had 14 kills last Saturday night.



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian
Jennifer Wrigley '03 contributed 14 kills to the Bison victory.

Statistics

Soccer
Men's

Bucknell	2
Sacred Heart	1

Goals: Hemmert, Brunton
Assists: Brunton, Lookingland, Hemmert
Saves: Edwards 1

Bucknell	2
St. Francis	1

Goals: Beekman, Buzzell
Assists: Hemmert, Ryan, Adrabi, Glennon
Saves: Edwards 6

Women's

Bucknell	0
Army	1

Saves: Purse 4

Golf
Men's Stabler Invitational 6th, 631
Notables: 7. Lane, 10. Dolle 17. Valentine
Women's ECAC Championships 5th, 507
Notables: 15. Campbell

Field Hockey

Bucknell	1
Lock Haven	3

Goals: Boynton
Assists: Gentel, Cabral
Saves: Wettergreen 10

Volleyball

Bucknell	3
Holy Cross	0

(30-22, 30-17, 30-25)

Bucknell	3
Army	1

(23-30, 30-27, 30-25, 31-29)

Men's Water Polo

Bucknell	15
Occidental	3
Bucknell	6
Redlands	7 (OT)

Calendar

Volleyball at Colgate
Friday, Oct. 18
7 p.m.

Men's Water Polo Inter-regional Competition
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Women's Soccer vs. Holy Cross
Saturday, Oct. 19
1 p.m.

Men's Soccer at Lehigh
Saturday, Oct. 19
7 p.m.

Men's Football at Sacred Heart
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1 p.m.

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Sunday, Oct. 20

Volleyball at Le Moyne
Sunday, Oct. 20
7 p.m.

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(18-12)

NFL Predictions

Denver (4-2) at Kansas City (3-3)
This is a matchup of the two last place teams in the AFC West, and also a matchup of Denver's NFL leading rush defense (62 yards/game) against Holmes who leads the NFL in rushing with 653 yards. Kansas City is the highest scoring offense in the league, and who wouldn't be with Holmes running and opening the field so much for Trent Green? The key to a Denver win will be the containment of Holmes, because if the Broncos don't have to stack eight in the box, Green won't have as much one-on-one coverage as he is used to seeing. Denver gets the W.

San Francisco (4-1) at New Orleans (5-1)
This game pits the highest scoring offense in the NFC, the Saints, against the defense of the 49ers, which has allowed the third fewest points in the league. The Niners' defense is allowing over a 100 yards rushing a game, which bodes well for the NFC's leading rusher, Deuce McCallister. The Niners arguably possess the most talented wide receiver in Terrell Owens, so don't be surprised if he just breaks open the game with a few big catches. The Saints will rectify a 38-0 loss to the 49ers in last season's finale with a victory, giving them the best record in the NFL.

Tampa Bay (5-1) at Philadelphia (3-2)
Philadelphia has to address one key issue if it hopes to win—protecting McNabb. McNabb has been dropped in the backfield more than any other NFC quarterback, and this week he is facing one of the most formidable defenses in the league that is also second in the NFL in sacks. The Bucs have not allowed an offensive touchdown in their last three games and are currently riding a five-game winning streak.

The Eagles are ranked first in the NFC in total offense, averaging 33 points a game. Ultimately, the Bucs' defense will be too much for McNabb and Co.

San Diego (5-1) at Oakland (4-1)
Oakland WAS the league's last undefeated team, until they lost to the best 0-5 team ever, and so the 1972 Dolphins drank champagne. Oakland will be looking to reclaim first place in the division from the Chargers, who played sloppy last week but were able to squeak by for a 35-34 over the top-scoring offense in the league. Oakland averaged 40.5 points a game before last week, and look for them to reclaim that offensive poise. The Chargers allowed a total of only 64 points in their first five games before last week, so we now know what matchup will determine this game. Oakland's offense against San Diego's defense, and each showed weaknesses last week. With Oakland's defense keying on the NFL's second leading rusher, Tomlinson, look for Drew Brees to have a major impact. Oakland gets my pick just because they're playing at home.

Indianapolis (4-1) at Pittsburgh (2-3)
The Steelers secondary was annihilated in their first two losses, by Brady and Gannon, who combined to throw for 697 yards against Pittsburgh in the first two weeks. This week, Manning will have his chance. The Steelers need to pressure him constantly, and the most likely to do so is Joey Porter, who leads the AFC in sacks. The Colts defense has vastly improved this season. They are still allowing 137 rushing yards a game, and the Bus is the perfect weapon to exploit this. The Steelers are 9-0 at home on Monday nights—expect that to be 10-0.

Sports Ops

Cecily Cairns Classic Corner

Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

Seabiscut ... what a stud

The Thoroughbred racehorse is the epitome of athletic beauty. Every inch of its 1,100-pound body appears to have been designed expressly for the purpose of soaring down the homestretch before the riveted gaze of a grandstand packed with 50,000 spectators. Generations of physical perfection have stunned animal lovers, sports fans and grizzled gamblers alike. They are breathtaking creatures, these animals—graceful, arching necks, ferocious black eyes, sweeping tails and fluttering manes, mighty chest and slender legs, all draped in coats of deep chocolate, steely gray or jet black, accented by curious splashes of white on the forehead and legs. We tend to remember all of the great ones not just for their talent, but also their grand appearance.

Well, almost all of them. It would be hard to employ such a flattering visual account when describing one of the most popular horses of all time.

Seabiscuit had great bloodlines; after all, his granddaddy was the incomparable, vibrant red Man O'War, a horse who had smashed world records left and right in 1919 and 1920. And that was about where Seabiscuit's good fortune started and ended.

He was cursed from the day he was born in 1933, with knock knees, stubby legs and a dull, bland coat–no shimmering tints of gold in his fur, no pretty white markings, just a plain old mud-colored bay coat. It didn't get a lot better for him as he got older; as a yearling he looked and moved like an unpedigreed farm nag.

He began his career under the tutilage of one of the greatest horse treainers of all-time, Sunny Jim Fitzimmons. Sunny Jim didn't have time to coddle Seabiscuit, a horse that seemed to be nothing more than a lazy, clunky, glutenous future-claimer.

The little horse ran 35 times as a two-year-old, compared with the normal nine or 10 starts that most horses had at that age. Fitzimmons and his assistant trainers beat Seabiscuit into the ground, bad knee and all, but he only pulled out five wins that year. Hardly the picture of greatness, right?

Luckily for Seabiscuit, his life was about to switch leads. Tom Smith, a much quieter and humbler trainer than Sunny Jim, bought the cranky, over-raced horse on behalf of Charles S. Howard for $7,500. He'd get a new rider, too.

Red Pollard wasn't a whole lot more athletically acclaimed than his dumpy mount at this point in his career. An ex-boxer, the one-eyed jockey had only won three stakes races in his entire life. For a pair like that, it would have been an astounding overachievement to simply hit the board in a single stakes race.

Two wrongs may not make a right, but apparently two losers can make a winner. The cantankerous little colt, it turns out, was as fond of winning as he was of eating and sleeping. Aided by the confidence of Pollard and Smith, Seabiscuit managed to steamroll his way to a few stakes victories, and even set a few track records in the process.

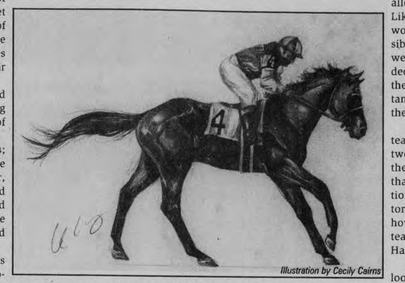


Illustration by Cecily Cairns

By 1937, he'd gained the affection of the racegoing public as well. Everyone an ugly duckling, and Seabiscuit could have been the poster-boy for ungainly cygnets everywhere. He won 11 of 15 races in his four-year-old season, and was overshadowed only by that year's Triple Crown winner War Admiral.

War Admiral was the opposite of Seabiscuit, although they shared a common bloodline; the jet-black classic winner was a knock-out and an instant fan favorite. It wasn't long before a match race was arranged in 1938.

The media had a heyday with the matchup, calling it the race of the century. In reality, the race was absurdly leaning in War Admiral's favor. His blazing speed, excellent condition and mind-blowing talent made him an instant favorite.

Seabiscuit was the sentimental choice, of course, but sentiments don't win races. He was without Pollard, whose leg had been smashed earlier in the year, so badly that he was told he would never ride again. He was run-down from a long and grinding career. And he looked almost comatose in the post parade.

He perked up when the starter's bell sounded, though. He perked way up.

Carrying the red and white silks of Howard's stables, the equine version of "the little engine that could" just chugged his way to the lead and stayed there for the rest of the race. He thumped the Triple Crown winner, the regal betting-favorite, by four lengths.

You'd think that would be enough for one career, and Seabiscuit's connections felt the same, especially after he bowed a tendon in an allowance race shortly afterwards. Like Pollard, future competition would practically be a medical impossibility. Of course, impossibilities were The Biscuit's forte. Pollard decided to join in the effort. After all, they still hadn't won the most important race in the country at that time, the Santa Anita Handicap.

In 1940, Pollard and Seabiscuit teamed up for an encore. They lost two races, inciting speculation that they should never have returned, that this was unnecessary humiliation for the gallant old steed. A victory in the San Antonio Handicap, however, was enough to give the team one last try at the Santa Anita Handicap.

Late in the stretch, with the wire looming, the crowd went berserk, chanting their ugly duckling's name as he steamed behind the leaders. Seabiscuit was obedient to their plea, and shot through an opening between horses, gliding to a win in stakes record time.

He retired for good after that, with then-record earnings of $437,730. Not surprisingly, he wasn't much at stud. He passed down his knock knees and bad conformation, but not his heart—that was one in a million.

Seabiscuit's entire career was littered with doubts—doubts from trainers, from fans, from opponents—but he trudged through adversity with courage that is rare even among the most perfect of creatures. Seabiscuit always seemed to know he was capable, as did those who cared most about him.

When the two returned to racing in 1940, Pollard based his faith on the fact that he and his horse had "four good legs between them." Sometimes that's all it takes.

Four good legs and one big heart.

Me Like Sports tuw

Aaron DeRosa
Sports Editor

What chu tawkin bout Barry

Nothing warms the heart and loosens the bowels like seeing Barry Bonds' smiling mug plastered over every major periodical, sports journal and online news source from here to Okinawa. I have to imagine that even Barry Bonds is sick of hearing about Barry Bonds.

But before I get to the meat of this article, I want to make a quick prediction, though I have picked only one winner all year, and that was "Star Wars: Episode II" (superior flick!). The Giants have always been very streaky, and with Jeff Kent having knocked in one RBI all postseason, I don't think that will be enough if the Angels pitch around Barry. I'll have to say Anaheim in six.

But enough with the pedantic babbling, let's talk about Barry Bonds. People print Bonds articles with the regularity of a printed readout of Stephen Hawking's voice pattern. Oh the many things I could add to the discussion about Barry. <awkward pause> OK, so here's what I came up with:

I suppose if I were Jean Francois Lyotard, I could claim that Barry is a very "modern" ballplayer because of his self-absorption and abrasive "uniqueness," his unwillingness to fit into his surroundings and his inability to defy meta-narratives to the point where he not only is a narrative, but rather exists solely within a narrative and in no other form.

If I were Sigmund Freud, I would say that Barry possesses a latent homosexual desire and a phallic obsession. Not only with commentary that allows one to put "good wood on the ball" or "stroke one long," the bat is a symbol for Barry's little "bonds," and he feels it is the only tool he possesses to acquire power over others. As Teddy Roosevelt said, "speak softly and carry a big stick and you will go far." For Barry, one out of two ain't bad.

If I were Albert Einstein, I would hypothesize that the speed at which the ball leaves the pitcher's hand, combined with the speed at which Barry's bat contacts said ball, would create a hyperbola that would allow you to enter different fissured layers of space-time, and thus allow him to plot the trajectory of the ball over the right field fence. Essentially, Barry Bonds is only as good as he is because he managed a technique that defies space and time, and is essentially cheating.

If I were William Shakespeare, I would say "Spit, yon further friend of Cali be, but live no more to play as thee. Thy glory fleeting, thy candles wrought, for Anaheim's sake, may your bats be rot." I would also contemplate the injustice involved in allowing an athlete to capture the attention of so many while my own texts kindle only hatred in the minds of the young and simple-minded.

If I were Walter Benjamin, I would say that one could easily market Bonds via bobble-heads, rally-flags, bottle openers, soda cans, clothing lines, autographed cards, photos, posters and commemorative plaques. And when I finally looked outside my Ikea-catalog home circa "Fight Club" and saw Barry's toothy grin *floating overhead on the side of a zeppelin*, I would probably *faint in a pool of my own spittle*.

If I were Niccolo Machiavelli, I would wonder why Bonds was wasting his time on a baseball diamond when he could be usurping the throne of America. With all his popular clout, and the precedent of Jesse Ventura still rummaging through the trash of America's political conscious, there's no reason why he couldn't stage a coup de Bush and institute a tyrannical regime where everyone must shave their heads and act pompous or face his wrath.

If I were James Joyce, I would say "Bonds. Clever Irishman. Bat like a raging polygamist swamp-sow cracking nightmares into oceans. Pac Bell. A park on the water. Under. Tow. I gurgle thinking of my dead mother. Usurpation? Nay. Kidneys and domination."

If I were Bob Costas, I would say Barry Bonds reminds me of a very young Joe "Ducky" Medwick. You know, funny story about Ducky … what? What do you mean no one wants to hear my lame stories? But I broadcasted the Olympics.

If I were Kubla Khan, I would wonder where my damsels with dulcimers had run off to.

If I were Coolio, I would hold Barry's hand though he walks through the valley of the shadow of Angels and tell him he should fear no double plays.

If I were Tom Cruise I would ask him to let me be his agent because all I want to do is show him the money, although, I'd secretly believe in my heart that he completes me.

If I were Anna Nicole Smith, I would consider marriage.

If I were LL Cool J, I would wonder whether we could both star in a movie together about the rough and tumble world of baseball.

If I were Albert Camus, I must imagine Barry is happy.

If I were Kit from Knight Rider, I'd wonder if his bat needed turbo boost.

If I were He-Man, I would have performance anxiety.

If I were John Steinbeck, I would tell Barry to take the pearl from his ear and throw it back into the ocean.

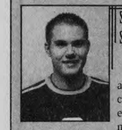
If I were Plato, I'd wonder what Socrates sees in his wife.

If I were John Wayne Bobbit, I'd contemplate another surgery.

If I were the umpire, I would measure Barry's elbow pad.

If I were George Michael, I would measure Barry's …

If I were George Jetson, I'd shout "JANE! STOP THIS CRAZY THING!"



Scott Kloss
Senior Writer

Shake it Up

Variety is the spice of life. This is an idea mastered a long, long time ago by the Mormons. You see, I am constantly influenced by daily occurrences and enjoy engaging in conversation. And I find that the more masses of people I can converse with, the greater and more true answers I find. Case in point: it was dinnertime and I was chatting with a few lady friends and I happened to be perusing the latest edition of *The Bucknellian*. Well, the conversation eventually led to, "Have you read my article lately?"

To which the ladies replied, "Yes, we have, but I am not too keen on football happenings, especially in a sports context." They may not have realized I would write about them this week, but they proved that speaking up can pay dividends, and in honor of their suggestions, I will also include insight into some of the less published sports in a more user-friendly voice in bringing you the sports week in review!

As luck would have it, both the teams I wanted to win their respective baseball division lost and, as such, the San Francisco Giants will be facing the Anaheim Angels in a Californian World Series. A series pitting, for the first time, two wild-card teams that not too long ago would not have been afforded this opportunity.

It feels odd not commenting about the Yankees right now. They seem to be the America's team of baseball, as the Dallas Cowboys are to football — love 'em or hate 'em. This World Series will probably not receive much publicity, except by diehard baseball fans. Of course, the Bucknell "bubble" will not help bring attention to the series either. The big story surrounding the series is whether or not the Angels pitching staff will pitch to Barry Bonds and shift their entire team to the outfield warning track or avoid his home run potential and roll out the red carpet to first base.

"We'll just be smart. I don't think we'll be scared of him and pitch around him," said Jarrod Washburn, opening series starter for the Angels.

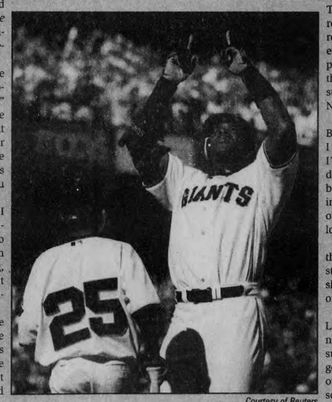
My thoughts exactly. Hands down, you have to go after this guy. While he has had impressive numbers the past two seasons, if you approach the situation of believing that you can outmatch Bonds, then you have the advantage no matter the odds. Didn't the movie "Braveheart" prove that?

It's official, the St. Louis Rams have won their first game of the year! Sure it is the seventh week of the NFL season, but you have to start somewhere. In a matchup of the only undefeated team, the Raiders versus the winless Rams, it was the Rams who looked like a Super Bowl contender with backup quarterback Marc Bulger at the helm. Spreading the field and mixing up the run pass distribution were paramount to a productive offense. (Seems like he got an advance copy of this article's variety message!)

Did you notice the Pittsburgh Steelers' offense on hyper-drive last week? It seemed like the entire team was playing for their jobs, behind another solid start from quarterback Tommy Maddux and running back Jerome Bettis. "The Bus," as he is known, ran for 109 yards and reached the end zone twice to provide an exclamation point to the victory over the 0-6 Cincinnati Bengals.

The Decker Effect of the week goes to Houston Texans' offensive tackle Tony Boselli, who was placed on injured reserve and will most likely be out for the rest of the season. Boselli was a highly touted prospect out of college, but has been plagued by injuries and could not recover to the degree needed to be the veteran cornerstone of a young charged with protecting No. 1 pick quarterback David Carr.

"I'm confident I'll be back out there," Boselli said. "Obviously it's not the timetable I wanted. If I thought there was no chance I'd play again, we'd quit and go a different direction, but I'm confident I can play football still and that's the direction we're going in. They want me out there and I want to be out there. We just have to wait a little longer."



Courtesy of Reuters
Barry Bonds and the Giants are looking towards the heavens for a World Series victory.

The first pick in the expansion draft for the Texans, Boselli was supposed to bring stability to a young team looking for leadership. Not this year, maybe next, or the next or …?

The mistake of the week comes from Lakers' big man Shaquille O'Neal. Shaq had not been given clearance to do much on his surgically repaired right big toe, but after a good night's sleep, he felt strong and jumped on a treadmill before practice Monday to do some light jogging. After practice Tuesday, he said the bottom of his foot was bothering him.

"I wasn't supposed to do that," the Lakers' center said.

Maybe the doctors know what they are talking about. Then again, I still have that major cough and throat cold going around from last Friday.

To the little-known American soccer league, the MLS, Washington Revolution's Steve Nicol has captured the 2002 Coach of the Year Award. Nicol led his squad on an improbable run to the Eastern Conference championship.

The former Scotland and Liverpool player assumed the reigns of the Revolution on May 23 after the squad stumbled to a 2-4-1 start under Fernando Clavijo.

To the links, Phil Tataurangi shot a 10-under 62 to win the Invensys Classic at Las Vegas. Shocked by his play, Tataurangi commented, "No way did I start out the day thinking I had a chance to win."

Now that you are complete with your sports digest, enjoy your fall break.

TRIVIA

By Justin McCarthy

1. What was the worst start by a Super Bowl team ever?
2. Of the 17 players in the 500 HR club, who is the player with the most ABs without a HR in the World Series?
3. Who was the first MLB pitching duo since 1900 to rank first and second in both ERA and strikeouts?

1. 0-5; 2002 St. Louis Rams; 2. Willie Mays, 17 World Series ABs and 0 HRs; 3. Randy Johnson and Curt Schilling of the 2001 Diamondbacks.

FEATURES

Lights ... camera ... successful leadership

University leadership conference, organized by Dean Amy Badal and students, teaches leadership and communication skills

By Leah Cunningham
Staff Writer

Held on Oct. 12, the University's second annual "Lights ... Camera ... Leadership" Student Leadership Conference, organized by Dean of Students Amy Badal and a student planning committee, gave interested students an opportunity to strengthen their leadership skills and learn new devices geared towards group communication. Students engaged in several sessions, which varied from "Effective Public Speaking" to "Interviewing Skills," with University faculty and staff who volunteered as group facilitators.

Badal and the Conference Planning Committee were impressed with the student turnout and excited to see so many motivated and eager students.

"Our goal was to introduce students to concepts of leadership and focus on topics related to skill-building," Badal said. "We wanted to strengthen students in leadership positions as well as give other students the opportunity to foster leadership skills."

The conference saw a turnout of 60 students.

"I wasn't sure what to expect and I didn't know what I'd be learning about leaders, but we were able to pick what we were interested in and wanted to learn about," Gretchen Perry '06 said.

The "Managing Stress, Managing People" session, led by Director of Community Health Promotion Tracy Shaynak, was most beneficial to Perry.

"We talked about how stress affects leaders ... and then we did this relaxation technique which involved putting a Skittle in your mouth and focusing so hard on the Skittle that you are able to clear your mind—it's a good technique when you're stressed out," Perry said.

Other sessions included "Effective Communication Skills for Student Leaders," "Effective Public Speaking," "Using Positive PR to Boost Your Success!" and "Can a Meeting be Fun and Effective?" Scott Messinger '06 particularly enjoyed University Chaplain Ian Oliver's advice in the "Can a Meeting be Fun and Effective?" conference.

"Ian Oliver made a good point about meetings. He explained that when people come to meetings, they don't just come to be there. They bring their whole lives with them, and sometimes the only reason they are in the organization is for a self-confidence booster. He said that we need to meet people where they are, and I thought this was an interesting way to look at it," Messinger said.

"I think it went really well. I liked watching the students engage themselves; they all had different stories and perspectives," Nicole Chabot '03, who is involved in the conference student Planning Committee, said of the day.

The conference concluded with keynote speaker George Burman '74, who is well known for founding J.Jill, the women's clothier.

"It was great being able to talk with the speaker one-on-one after his talk," Messinger said.

"The speaker was great and, as a whole, the day went really well. Everyone I talked to had positive comments. I'd love to be involved next year and anyone that wants to be involved should also consider doing it ... [It was] great experience to plan a conference ... lots of fun," Conference Planning Committee member Jeff Proch '04 said.

"Seeing all the students eager to be there on a rainy Saturday, even when they were tired, said a lot about who they were as people. I think the day was a big success," Badal said.

Students who wish to be involved in future leadership programs should contact Badal.

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

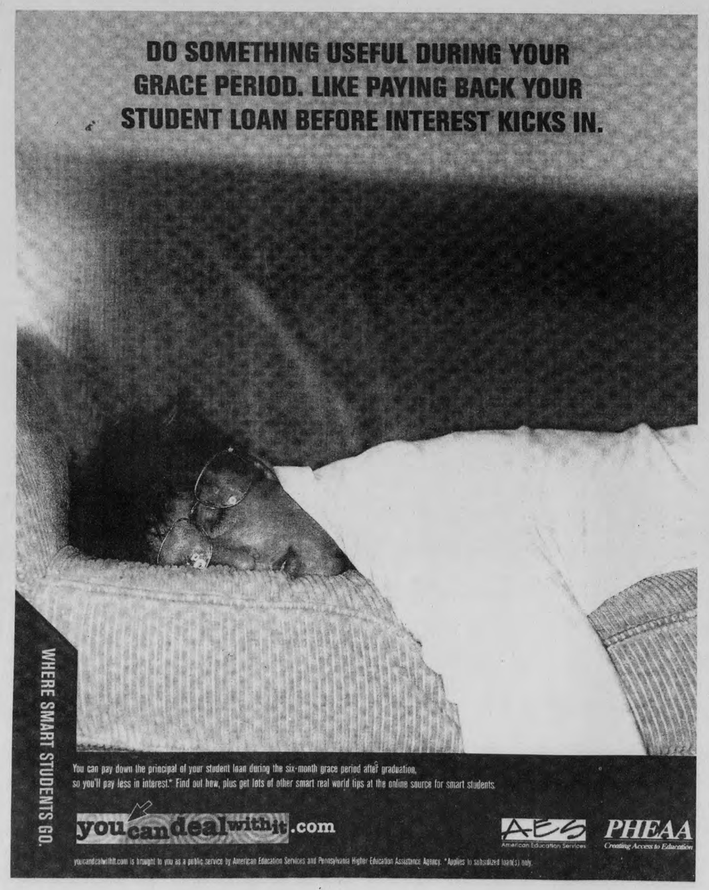
Students listen attentively and take notes on leadership and communication tips. Sessions included "Effective Communication Skills for Student Leaders," "Effective Public Speaking" and "Managing Stress, Managing People."

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Students attend a small class session in Walls Lounge. Badal and the Conference Planning Committee were impressed with students' attendance, as well as their eager participation.

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Participants take a breather from lectures to enjoy lunch in the Terrace Room. Students participated in the event on a rainy Saturday to take advantage of the leadership opportunity.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FEATURES

Reverse Abroad: Indonesia to Pa.

By Astri Prakoso
Contributing Writer

A year ago, if you had asked me about the University, I would have frowned and said in a confused tone, "Bucknell?" Now here I am; it is my turn to explain to my family and friends back home in Indonesia what and where Bucknell is.

You are probably wondering, if I live in halfway around the world, how did I hear about the University? Well, a friend of mine here went to a high school in California. One fateful day last year in October, she revealed the University's existence to me. "Well, if you want a small sized school, which has a good liberal arts background, and if you want snow, you might want to try to apply to Bucknell," she said. So I applied and before I knew it I was in Lewisburg, Pa.

Although I knew that Lewisburg was small, never did I imagine it would be this small. I came from a country with population of more than 200 million people. I live in Jakarta, the capital of Indonesia, a city of 17 million people.

On my way to campus after arriving at Harrisburg airport, I was freaking out because my family and I could not find Lewisburg on the map that the car rental service gave us. I was wondering, Why did I leave my beloved city and march to this unknown place that does not even have its own dot on the map?

In that same week, I was very appalled when I went to Harrisburg and met a man who had been living there his whole life and had never heard of Lewisburg. By that time, I was considered begging my parents to give me a plane ticket home.

That same day, I was amazed when we got lost and a man drove us back to where we needed to go. This stranger showed us to where we needed to be. Wow, that would never happen in Jakarta.

Part of the reason that I decided to go to the University was that I was ready for a change from the city. As much as I love the city, with its hustle and bustle and mixture of cultures and never-ending activities, it drives me nuts from time to time. There is no time to help some stray foreigners in the street, no time to rest; everything is a race.

The hardest thing to do when you live abroad is to adjust."Masuk kandang kuda meringkik, masuk kandang kambing mengembik. Neigh when entering a horse's stable, bleat when entering a barn full of sheep," as an Indonesian proverb says.

Fortunately for me, coming to Lewisburg is not the first time I've lived abroad, so I kind of knew what it was going to be like the challenges, the ups and downs.

Imagine going to a country with a language you are not used to ... It was a scary experience, being dropped in a country with a culture completely unlike mine with an alien language. With time, since I lived in a boarding house, language became a survival tool; it was learn fast or die. I survived.

Living abroad is definitely the best experience, but it is not always fun. You will have to adjust to the local culture. In a way, adjusting to the local culture can be exciting, but it can also be your worst nightmare.

Imagine going to a country with a language that you are not used to. I remember the first time I lived abroad, in 1999, in Sydney, Australia. It was horrible. I could barely speak English at all. Everyone was speaking too fast and I had to think forever to answer questions: What are they saying? How do I say what I want to say? What is that word? These were the questions I always asked myself.

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It was such an exhausting task, to switch from one language to another. Some days I felt so frustrated that I didn't feel like talking to anyone at all. I still do that once in a while. Whenever I feel tired of speaking English, I space out, find a friend who speaks my language, or read a book in Indonesian.

The funniest thing about learning English was that when I was in Australia, everyone thought I was American because I had an American accent. The only explanation I could think of was because I've always watched American movies, which were a form of subconscious learning.

I think in a way my accent was an aspect of why my Australian experience was not good; I could barely understand Australians, because I wasn't used to the accent. It worked both ways, and I think the Australians could barely understand my mixed-up Indonesian-American accent.

Compared to Australia, the University is a piece of cake, at least now that I understand and feel comfortable speaking English. Two hard parts of adjusting here have been juggling my time and adapting to the culture. I have to go to classes, do my work and have fun with my hallmates, my American friends in general and my international friends. So far, I've been enjoyed myself here on campus, meeting new people, getting a different atmosphere from home and having the freedom of being away from home, of course.

"He who asks a question is a fool for five minutes; he, who does not ask, remains a fool forever," as a Chinese proverb says.

Sometimes, I get funny questions, such as "So what language do you speak in Indonesia?" I'd take a few seconds to answer that question—"Indonesian." Some other times, people try to explain a word to me, even when I do understand it; it is frustrating to think that people think I am not that comfortable with the language, but sometimes it is helpful, too.

Some ask where Indonesia is, or they mistake it for another place. This used to offend me, but I'm not an American geography expert, so there is no point in getting offended. I guess these kinds of silly mistakes happen when you cross cultures. But I guess I ask Americans silly questions, so it's OK if I laugh at them because they laugh at me, too. In my opinion, if you can laugh at yourself, then you are entitled to laugh at someone else.

Sometimes, the little things that we take for granted can cause problems. Once I was talking to a friend who is older than I am and as we were walking his friend came over and started to talk to him, after first being introduced to me. They were having a conversation about things that I did not know about. So I just left.

It's beautiful that there are so many different ways of looking at one thing, and none of them are wrong. There are so many things to discover and learn. It's what life is all about—to try everything, to live up to the adventure and to answer the challenge.

In Indonesian culture, this is acceptable because it is rude to interrupt an older person's conversation. Here, it is rude for me to just leave without saying goodbye. I didn't understand this then, and a misunderstanding arose. Fortunately, it is fine now.

In a way, most misconceptions arose because each of us come from different backgrounds and experiences—even if two people are from the same nation, the customs of their houses can differ. Yet, the meeting of cultures is the most beautiful thing I've discovered so far.

It's beautiful that there are so many different ways of looking at one thing, and none of them is wrong. There are so many things to be discovered and learned. It's what life is all about, to try everything, to live up to the adventure, to answer the challenge.

"Sour, bitter, sweet, pungent, all must be tasted," a Chinese proverb says.

Here at the University, I'm having the experience of a lifetime. I'm having another taste of the world, outside of Indonesia and Australia. It's interesting to see how these countries differ and how they are the same.

Although it is scary at times to expose myself to different worlds, the fruit of this adventure is sweet. It opens my mind to different paradigms and, somehow, it helps me to figure out what life is all about.

My adventure in the United States is near the starting point, and there are miles to go. I have no doubt that there will be times when I want to get out of here, but, in the end, it will be worth it. As Eleanor Roosevelt once said, "If life were predictable, it would cease to be life and be without flavor."

Packwood House Museum seeks University connection

By Caitlin McKee
Staff Writer

There are many hidden treasures in Lewisburg. One of these is The Packwood House Museum. Sara Kelly, director of the museum, which is located at 15 North Water St., said that Packwood House is a unique place.

"Packwood House is a world-class museum right in your own backyard. We have an excellent collection," Kelly said.

The museum is a three-story log building that has previously served as a tavern and a hotel. Edith Fetherston, a Lewisburg native and University alumna, bought the house with her husband John in 1936. Fetherston was an artist who exhibited her work throughout Pennsylvania, as well as a founding member of the Central Pennsylvania Art Association. She and her husband traveled the world collecting art. Upon her death in 1976, she willed the house and her art collection to be established as a nonprofit museum.

The museum exhibits both Fetherston's personal art collection and 113 of her own paintings. The house is richly decorated with original Tiffany Lamps, redwood pottery and other eclectic pieces. The pieces that adorn the reception room of the house show Fetherston's passion for Oriental art.

"Edith was fascinated with Oriental cultures," Kelly said.

The Packwood House has a long-standing relationship with the University. Members of the campus community volunteer at Packwood House.

"Our relationship with the University is that we get a lot of individual volunteers. We have had interns and worked with some professors on exhibits. Some professors are members on our board," Kelly said.

Kelly also expressed the desire to get more students involved.

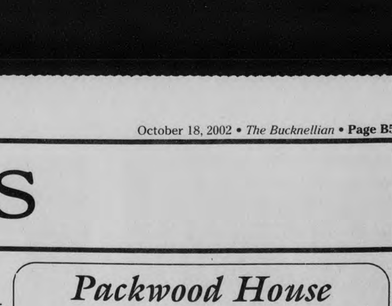
"We're trying to do more with the University. For the first time ever, we have a work-study student this semester. We are talking with the volunteer office to get more students involved. The museum provides a hands-on way to learn and is a great place for volunteer work. We would love to have more student tour guides, which is ideal for students who like talking to groups of people, and it looks great on a resume. We will teach them anything they want to know," Kelly said.

The museum is currently creating more volunteer programs that University students can get involved with.

"We are begging to offer more programs for children, which students can volunteer to help with. For example, as part of our holiday exhibit, we are reading to children. Students can volunteer to read to children at the museum on Saturday mornings in December, before the semester ends," Kelly said.

The museum not only offers students valuable volunteer opportunities, but also is a great place to visit for personal interests.

"I think a lot of students find the museum more interesting than they think they would, and it's a great place to bring your family," Kelly said.



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The Packwood House Museum was owned by Edith Fetherston, a Lewisburg native and University alumna. She willed the house and her personal art collection as a non-profit public museum when she died.

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Events Calendar

FRI
Friday
October 25

Biology Seminar Series: "A Model System to Study Organogenesis"
(Olin Auditorium)
3 p.m.

Hilltop Film Series:
"The Blue Kite"
(Vaughan Lit. Auditorium)
4:30 p.m. and 8 p.m.

Shabbat Service and Dinner
(Center for Jewish Life)
5:30 p.m.

Susquehanna Valley Mall Shuttle
(Downhill LC)
6 p.m.

Christians in Action
(McDonnell Hall)
6-10 p.m.

Weis Center Performance: Marian Anderson String Quartet
(Weis Center)
8 p.m.

Uptown: Pub Night
9:30 p.m.

Poetry Slam featuring Taylor Mali
(7th Street Cafe)
10 p.m.

"Patch Adams"
(LC Forum)
10:30 p.m.

SAT
Saturday
October 26

Harvest Games
(LC Lawn)
1-3 p.m.

Susquehanna Valley Mall Shuttle
(Downhill LC)
3 p.m. and **6 p.m.**

Catholic Mass
(Rooke Chapel)
5:30 p.m.

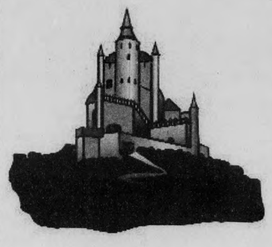
Guest Recital: John McKay
(Rooke Recital Hall, Weis Music Building)
8 p.m.

Film: "Enough"
(Gallery Theatre)
9 p.m.

Hypnotist CJ Johnson
(LC Forum)
9 p.m.

Uptown: World Cup Foosball Tournament
9:30 p.m.

"Harry Potter"
(Vaughan Lit. Auditorium)
10:30 p.m.



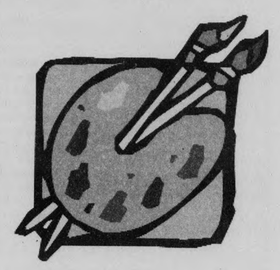
SUN
Sunday
October 27

Friends Meeting
(Smith Library)
10:30 a.m.

Interdenominational Service
(Rooke Chapel)
11 a.m.

Catholic Mass
(Rooke Chapel)
4 p.m.

Samek Art Gallery Lecture: "Paranirvana by Lewis deSoto"
(Main Gallery)
4 p.m.



Catholic Mass
(Larison Dining Hall)
10 p.m.

MON
Monday
October 28

Zen Meditation
(Meditation Chapel)
4 p.m.

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CDC Recruiting Conversations
(CDC)
5 p.m.

CDC Jumpstart
(Vaughan 202)
5 p.m.

Humanities Institute Lecture Series: "Crosspollinations Between Jewish and Islamic Philosophy: Humanistic Themes"
(Smith Library)
7:30 p.m.

TUE
Tuesday
October 29

CDC Jumpstart
(Vaughan 202)
4 and 5 p.m.

Christians in Action
(McDonnell Hall)
6:30-7:30 a.m.

Student Health Services Lecture: "What is Your Love Strategy?" Patch Adams, M.D.
(Rooke Chapel)
7 p.m.

Forum: "The F-Word"
(LC Forum)
7:30 p.m.

Recital: Mary Hannigan, flute and Barry Hannigan, piano
(Rooke Recital Hall, Weis Music Building)
8 p.m.

WED
Wednesday
October 30

Episcopal Service
(Meditation Chapel)
12 p.m.

CDC Jumpstart
(Vaughan 202)
5 p.m.

PLAN *For the Future*

ACE Film: "ET"
(Vaughan Lit. Auditorium)
10:30 p.m.

THU
Thursday
October 31

CDC "How to Tap the Hidden Job Market"
(LC Forum)
12 and 5 p.m.

CDC Jumpstart
(Vaughan Lit. 202)
5 p.m.

Fourth Sunday Choir
(Meditation Chapel)
5:30-7 p.m.

"The Well"
(LC 213)
8:30-11 p.m.

Happy Halloween

Information on The Bucknellian Calendar

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The sporting event calendar continues to run in the Sports section, this week on page B2.

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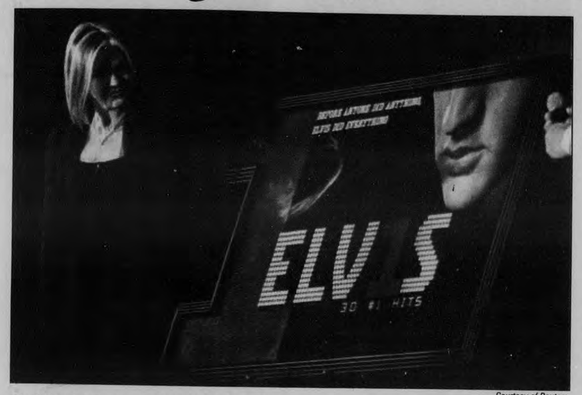
Arts & Entertainment

The king of rock 'n' roll is back



Courtesy of Reuters

Priscilla Presley examines the cover of Elvis' new No. 1 hits album at a concert for the 25th anniversary of his death. The CD sold over 500,000 copies during its first week.

BY LEAH CUNNINGHAM
Staff Writer

Despite popular belief by younger generations, even 25 years after his death, the king of rock 'n' roll is more than a heartthrob of the past with tasteless pantsuits, over-gelled hair and eccentric dance moves. The rebirth of the King has hit record stores with "Elvis: 30 #1 Hits," including remixed and rendered session tapes of the 30 songs that grounded and dominated the top of the pop charts in both the United States and the United Kingdom between 1956 and 1977.

CD & Review

In its first week alone, the King has pulled through with a renaissance like no other, selling 500,318 albums in the United States and reigning No. 1 in 17 other countries. The sleek, ultra-cool, casually intense and always suave Presley simultaneously impresses devout fans from the '50s and '60s, and even adds a more contemporary and upbeat convention of music to those who recall Elvis as "that so-called King my grandparents thought was rock 'n' roll."

Chronologically grouped, the songs range from Presley's 1956 hits "Heartbreak Hotel" and the original blues classic "Hound Dog" to the beating the back of his guitar stage-stunt and relaxing rhythm of 1957's "All Shook Up." The master collection also includes the 1969 release of "Suspicious Minds," a song that remains an artifact of the turning point in Presley's career during the Memphis sessions. Derived from Presley's obsession with heartbreak over his broken marriage, the biggest hit of the '70s, "Burning Love," conjures his despair and confusion in this remix. If nothing else, less avid Elvis fans cannot pass up the King who gave life to the infamous heart-melting "Can't Help Falling in Love," the 1961 boom-hit, originally an 18th century French melody before making its first appearance in 1961's "Blue Hawaii."

If you enjoyed the collection of and musical significance behind "The Beatles 1" album, then you will surely appreciate the "Elvis: 30 #1 Hits" resurfacing of the King. Presley once said, "Rhythm is something you either have or don't have, but when you have it, you have it all over." The album defines passion, talent, and the musical, historical and cultural impact that has sometimes eluded Presley's persona. A collection about the rebel, rock star and now reincarnated figure embodying the soul of rock 'n' roll, "Elvis: 30 #1 Hits" is the perfect place to start for loyal King fans and dabbling Elvis inquirers alike.

Theatre company reveals Wilde's wit

BY MELINDA KUMMER
Senior Writer

The Aquila Theatre Company presented "The Importance of Being Earnest" last Friday evening in the Weis Center for the Performing Arts. A theatrical endeavor showcasing the wit of Oscar Wilde, "The Importance of Being Earnest" reveals the reality of its famous line, "the truth is rarely pure and never simple." Reminiscent of Shakespearean theater, the comedy involves misunderstanding, smart quips and, of course, love.

The lead female characters, Gwendolyn and Cecily, played by Gabriela Fernandez-Coffey and Lindsay Rae Taylor, obsess over men who they think share the name "Earnest." Algernon and Jack, played by Guy Oliver-Watts and Richard Willis, are the men wooing these women under the false pretense of having that name.

"I loved the way in which the women characters emphasized the pronunciation of Earnest—the ridiculous nature of all the characters," Robin Meling '04 said. "I thought the show worked very well."

Aquila's rendition of a staple in classic theater caught some of the audience off guard.

"The show was not what I had expected," Melissa Cook '04 said. "I had just read the play for a theater class and had pictured it as a 19th century comedy. With the modern music and costuming, however, this play really came to life in a modern setting."

The show, no matter how surprising, proved a favorite with the audience.

"I found this production's imaginative and stylish take on Wilde's classic comedy refreshing and lively. The merging of contemporary costumes and manners, vaudevillian antics and pop music, with the excellently-delivered satiric wit of Oscar Wilde's dialogue rendered this a vital and new theatrical concoction," Robert Gainer, associate professor of theater, said.

"I felt the show was full of thoughtful and innovative interpretations of the classic," Taylor Harchak '05 said.

To artfully combine classic theater and modern styles, the Aquila Theatre Company utilized contemporary music in choreographed changes to the stage and set.

"At first I was a little surprised by the music and the modern dances that were interjected in the scenes, but it made [the play] more interesting," Charissa Reimer '05 said.

The Aquila Theatre Company is the professional company in residence at the Center for Ancient Studies at New York University. The company is touring two shows this season, "The Importance of Being Earnest" and William Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream," which played at Susquehanna University on Oct. 9.

The company is also presenting a show in New York. Shakespeare's "Comedy of Errors" will be performed at the Howard Clurman Theatre in the New Theatre Row. For tickets, call Ticket Central at (212) 279-4200.

"The Bluest Eye" shines brightly

BY STEPHANIE NICKSE
Senior Writer

While Toni Morrison gave her first speech at the University yesterday, her voice was not new to the audience. Her first novel, "The Bluest Eye," published in 1970, began her prolific and award-winning writing career.

"The Bluest Eye," the story of a 9-year-old black girl named Pecola Breedlove, unravels to reveal complex social issues. Morrison explains that she intended for the book "to make a statement about the damage that internalized racism can do to the most vulnerable member of a community—a young girl," according to www.sparknotes.com.

Morrison wrote "The Bluest Eye" from the perspectives of multiple characters. Pecola is the novel's protagonist. She is an introverted child who wants nothing more than to be loved by her family and community. Pecola hides from her reality by creating a fantasy world. She believes that if she can have blue eyes, both her view of life and the community's view of her will change for the better.

Morrison wrote about Pecola's tragic life in order to show how the black community uses her as a scapegoat for its hatred. Due to the racial bias and injustice that Pecola's community feels, it turns to release this hate on her. The community labels the little girl as ugly and watches while her family abuses her. In comparison to Pecola's suffering and ugliness, the people in her community feel lucky and beautiful.

Book Review

While Pecola is characterized as a passive person who accepts everyone's faults and abuse, Morrison also creates a character of the same age, Claudia MacTeer, that fights back against standards of beauty and wealth. She develops two perspectives of this character. Claudia is both a child in the novel and an adult who reflects on her childhood within the same text.

When the community perceives a white person's blue eyes to be the most beautiful, Claudia rebels by destroying a white doll that she receives as a gift. She stands up for Pecola when she notices that other children are being cruel and devises a plan to save Pecola's baby from community rejection. Both girls come from poor families, but, unlike the abusive family that Pecola must live with, Claudia has support from a closeknit, loving family that enables her to look beyond the community's values in order to see Pecola as a victim.

Even with Claudia's strong conviction to help Pecola, she cannot replace or save Pecola from her parents, Cholly and Pauline. Morrison shows Cholly to be both an abusive person and a person who has been a victim of abuse. Cholly rapes Pecola, but he also attempts to show her love and kindness. He fights with his wife and finds comfort in drinking. This picture of his behavior is incomplete without understanding his life of rejection and abuse. Cholly's own mother places him in a trash can when he is born and, throughout his adulthood, white men make him feel inferior. Morrison creates this weak man who deserves both the hate and pity of the reader.

Unlike Cholly's physical abuse of Pecola, her mother is emotionally abusive. She tries to ignore Pecola, who naturally looks to her mother for comfort and care. Like Pecola, her mother wants to be accepted by the community. Pauline gives up her familial responsibilities and attempts to only associate with what her community considers beautiful and good. She separates herself from her daughter and husband by caring for a wealthy, powerful white family. Their white privilege is intangible, but nevertheless very valuable to Pauline. She cares for the white children with love and tenderness, while pushing her own children away from her.

Pecola is a product of her environment. Blue eyes symbolize the happiness and beauty that is part of being a white, middle-class person. She internalizes her community's standard of whiteness as beauty until she finally finds her blue eyes. At the heart of Pecola's desire to have blue eyes is the belief that people will not want to do ugly things to her or in front of her if she is beautiful.

When Pecola loses her sanity, she is freed from the pain and suffering that her family and community have caused her. Pecola gives up reality for a permanent world of acceptance and love. At the end of the novel, Pecola moves to the outskirts of town, where she lives as a constant reminder to her community of their inhumanity.

No other main character suffers as much as Pecola, but Morrison shows that they are all victims. They, too, are products of their environment. Cholly abuses his family as a way of dealing with the abuse he endured at the hands of others. Pauline attempts to cut ties with her family because it reminds her of who she is and how others look down upon her. She pours all of her time and love into a white family that has high status in the community in hopes that she can be accepted as a part of their world. Pecola's peer, Claudia, refuses to accept society's values and struggles to find ways to help Pecola. Even so, she is unable to save Pecola or her baby. Claudia may want to believe that black can be beautiful, but her faith is not strong enough to challenge the entire community's rooted beliefs.

In the title "The Bluest Eye," Morrison may have purposely chosen the word "bluest" to have two meanings. Not only does the title directly relate to Pecola's desire to have blue eyes in the story, but the title may also reference the saddest eye. "The Bluest Eye" is the complex and tragic story of one child's struggle to be accepted in a society in which race separates the good from the bad.

Christian album is mainstream, popular rock

BY JOSH HERWITT
Writer

David W. Jacobsen's "The Chasm" brings an alternative form of Christian rock. The light, soft sound is more appealing to a mainstream audience than traditional Christian rock. Jacobsen's acoustic guitar accompaniment and light percussion allows the listener to focus on his vocal work.

CD Review

The album, composed of 20 tracks of studio-recorded material, lasts just over an hour. Jacobsen wrote all the songs and Zbokth Productions recorded the album in 2001. The songs are relatively short, with the longest track at 4 minutes, 43 seconds.

The music is relatively simple, with few guitar solos or complex bridges between choruses and verses. Jacobsen's voice is contained, though soothing, along with the rest of the composition. He uses an acoustic guitar throughout the album, giving his songs less edge and a more peaceful sound. The percussion throughout the album switches between Latin and actual acoustic drums. Some songs begin with Jacobsen's vocal accompanied by bongos in the background. Most begin with an introduction, moving later to the main part of the song, where the guitar and drums come together. Some of Jacobsen's songs only have guitar in the background while he sings.

If you enjoy a more mainstream, popular rock sound, you might appreciate Jacobsen's "The Chasm." His guitar and vocals give the album a softer feel than customary rock music.

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Task force to investigate off-campus living

BY ELISABETH SALEMME
Staff Writer

A task force will be formed by the University that will conduct a year-long study to determine the impact of a potential plan to move all students on campus within five years. The University will apply for a $30,000 grant to conduct the study.

According to University General Council Wayne Bromfield, the University will apply for the grant from SEDA-Council of Governments (SEDA-COG), a regional development agency that provides aid, leadership, expertise and services to businesses, institutions, residents and communities within 11 local counties including Union County, where Lewisburg is located.

"SEDA-COG identifies projects that would be helpful to the municipalities, and this is under the category of building successful communities through neighborhood action," Bromfield said. "They then submit a proposal to the next level, which is the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC). They said that there are two communities in this area that have need for this neighborhood revitalization."

According to Bromfield, if the grant is approved, SEDA-COG will define a general scope of requests, which involves gathering municipal neighbor-

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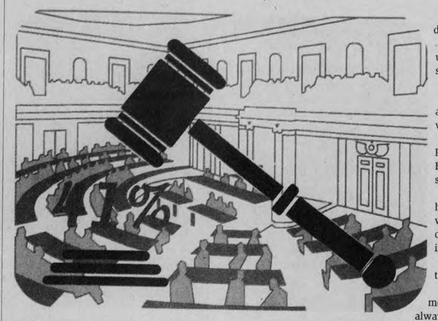
Poll: Students give BSG approval rating of 41%

Bucknellian poll suggests that BSG must interact more with students



BY JASON RUBINSTEIN
Associate Editor

In a recent *Bucknellian* poll, the approval rating of Bucknell Student Government (BSG) was determined to be 41 percent. The approval rating is based on BSG's influence on undergraduate students through budget appropriations, class representation, club recognition and other BSG-related activities.

Approximately 6 percent of the student body was surveyed, yielding a margin of error of plus or minus 4 percentage points (the response rate was approximately 90 percent).

"BS-who?"

Because this is the first approval rating conducted in recent history, comparisons that would indicate whether BSG has improved or worsened its image on campus are not available. BSG officials admitted that the ratings provide useful information that they hope will be a call-out to BSG Congress, the administration and the student body.

In the case of club appropriations, respondents' opinions varied greatly.

"They have a lot of funds that go unused each year—there is no need to be stingy about them," Nora Abdullah '03 said.

Junior Philip Wetzel felt the opposite.

"Their process of allocating money, although difficult, is very fair and driven very well for student organizations."

So what exactly does BSG do? BSG President Amir Sadaghiani '03 claims that BSG is truly the representative force of the student body.

"Sometimes students think BSG only helps clubs. But this year we have also worked on the uphill eatery, getting cable, downtown issues, Halloween trick-or-treating and the living wage, to name a few."

The student body president admits that the system is not perfect.

"The student government could have more power. It is an effective body that always fights for students, but the real power is in dealing with clubs," Sadaghiani said. "Congress is a representative body with no true means of enforcement. The true power lies with the trustees and higher administration, and BSG simply acts as their consultant."

In fact, Sadaghiani charges the administration with, "What are you giving me to work with?"

"The low approval rating is more of a call to the University and not BSG. A lot of BSG's recommendations are not implemented because it does not have enough power," Sadaghiani said. "What the rating means is that 41 percent of students feel that BSG is doing what they were designated to do."

It is a popular belief that all power comes through representation. BSG stepped in the right direction when it received a seat on the Committee for Campus Diversity. Sadaghiani feels that representation without a vote or formal power is not enough.

"Until the University trusts us with that enormous responsibility, BSG will control only clubs and organizations," he said.

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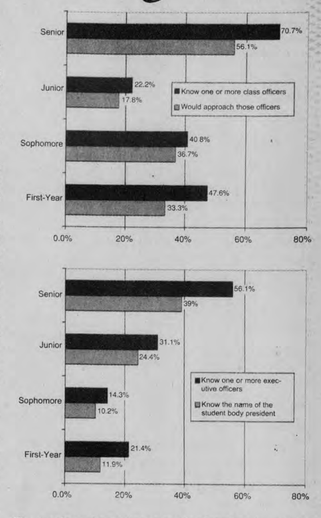
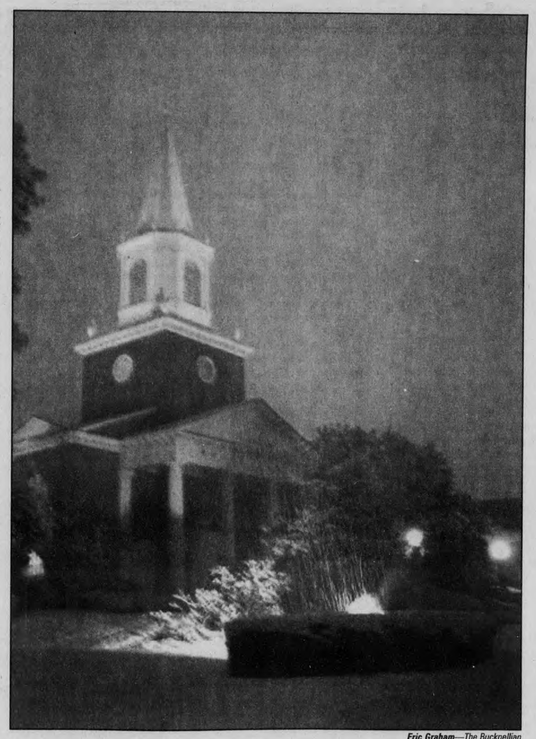


The top charts shows the percentage of students in each class who know their class officers, and would feel comfortable approaching them. The bottom chart shows the percentage of students in each class who know one or more of the BSG executive officers, and of those students, the percentage who can name Amir Sadaghiani '03 as BSG president. *See page A2 for* **Bucknellian** *polling information.*

WALKING IN A WINTER WONDERLAND



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Rooke Chapel and the rest of the campus community witnessed the first snowfall of the school year Tuesday night. Although the snow eventually gave way to a wintery mix of rain and ice, the groundwork may have been laid for a very cold, white winter.

Roth '54 to be honored by National Book Foundation

BY MICHELLE DOMBECK
Arts and Entertainment Editor

The National Book Foundation will be presenting Philip Roth '54 with its Medal for Distinguished Contribution to American Letters on Nov. 20. One of the University's most prestigious graduates, Roth is a celebrated and decorated novelist.

According to the National Book Foundation's Web site, "The recipient of the Medal is a person who, in the opinion of the ... National Book Foundation, has enriched our literary heritage over a life of service, or corpus of work."

Professor Emeritus of English John Wheatcroft, a friend of Roth's, believes that Roth's work has indeed enriched our literary heritage.

"In my judgment, his last half-dozen novels are among the very best that have been written in the past half century by a writer-novelist," Wheatcroft said. "On the basis of the depth of his work and the magnitude of his accomplishments, I can't think of anyone who deserves this award more. Bucknell has reason to be proud to have one of the most distinguished persons of American letters of the 20th century as one of its graduates."

This award is just one of Roth's many accomplishments. In addition to a Pulitzer Prize, he has won a National Book Award, two National Book Critics Circle awards and two PEN/Faulkner awards.

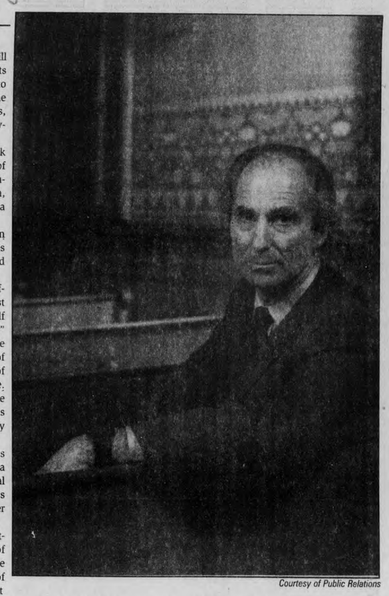
"He is certainly one of the best-known, most famous graduates of Bucknell," said John Rickard, associate professor and department chair of English. "Roth is one of the most respected contemporary American novelists. He's also one of the best-known American authors internationally."

Professor of English Robert Taylor agrees with Rickard.

"Philip Roth is one of the most important writers of our time," Taylor said. "Ever since the publication in the 1959 of 'Goodbye, Columbus,' an extraordinary debut and only a couple of years after his graduation from Bucknell, Roth has produced work that commands and deserves attention. An amazingly resourceful and intelligent writer, he continues in this century to surprise and delight readers."

As CNN.com describes Roth, he has "a gift for writing gritty, ironic stories depicting middle-class Jewish life." His style is unique.

"He can write about a particular life/lives and also make what he writes revelatory of the large world," Wheatcroft said. "His fiction gives us a sense of our history before it happens. There are very few novelists who are able to do so."



Courtesy of Public Relations

Philip Roth '54 will be awarded the Medal for Distinguished Contribution to American Letters by the National Book Foundation on Nov. 20. Roth has previously been awarded with a Pulizer Prize.

Wheatcroft taught in the early 1950s, while Roth was a student. Wheatcroft was not much older than Roth, and the two quickly became friends.

"I was a visitor in a course in which Roth was a student. There, I noticed how sensitive and articulate he was. Later, I saw him acting in some plays by Cap and Dagger [a dramatic organization that later turned into the department of theatre and dance]. We just began to talk, and after that we became good friends."

Wheatcroft described Roth as a great companion.

"He's very gracious and warm, and honest without qualification, especially when it comes to literary matters. He's the best of company—he has a marvelous wit and is very quick. He's so quick at it, he could be a stand-up comedian as a matter of fact."

News

Public Safety Log

Wednesday, Oct. 23

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—Public Safety responded to the Langone Center for the report of an injured employee. The individual was transported to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment of a knee injury and later returned to work.

HARASSMENT / TERRORISTIC THREATS—A student reported to Public Safety that while visiting a friend's room in Swartz Hall on Oct. 17, a male student who lives in the room made physical threats to her. The incident is under investigation.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—Public Safety responded to Vedder Hall for the report of a student having an allergic reaction to medication. The individual was transported by ambulance to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment and later returned to campus.

HARASSMENT BY COMMUNICATION—A student reported to Public Safety that he received bias-related voice mail in his Swartz Hall room. The incident is under investigation.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—Public Safety responded to the Langone Center for the report of an ill student. The individual was transported by ambulance to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment of a laceration sustained when she became unconscious and fell to the floor. The student later returned to campus.

Thursday, Oct. 24

INFORMATON / SUSPICIOUS PACKAGE—Public Safety responded to the Langone Center for the report of a student having received a package full of plastic toy army characters in the mail. The student reported that she has had similar packages placed in front of her McDonnell Hall room. An investigation revealed that friends of the student were playing a prank on her.

Friday, Oct. 25

UNDERAGE DRINKING / PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS—A student reported to Public Safety that there was a male lying down in the staircase of Smith Hall. Upon further investigation, the male was found to be an intoxicated student. Citations issued for underage drinking and public drunkenness.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—An employee reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) broke a pane of glass in an exterior door at Harris Hall. The incident is under investigation.

Saturday, Oct. 26

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—Public Safety responded to Swartz Hall for the report of a student who had sustained a head injury when he struck his head on an exit sign. The student was transported by ambulance to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment and later returned to campus.

UNDERAGE DRINKING / PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS—While on routine patrol, Public Safety stopped a student who was stumbling near Delta Upsilon Fraternity. Upon further investigation, the male was found to be a student, under the age of 21, who was intoxicated. Citations were issued for underage drinking and public drunkenness.

UNDERAGE DRINKING / PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS—Public Safety responded to a report that a student passed out in a shower at Swartz Hall. The student admitted to Public Safety that he had consumed alcohol although under the age of 21. Citations issued for underage drinking and public drunkenness.

THEFT—An employee reported to Public Safety that a student took food from the Bison Dining area without paying for it. The incident is under investigation.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—Public Safety responded to the Langone Center for the report of a student with chest pain. The individual was transported by ambulance to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment and later returned to campus.

Sunday, Oct. 27

UNDERAGE DRINKING / PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS—While on routine patrol, Public Safety stopped a female who was stumbling at the rear of Vedder Hall. Upon further investigation, it was determined that the female was a student, under the age of 21, who was intoxicated. She was cited for underage drinking and public drunkenness.

UNDERAGE DRINKING / PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS—Public Safety responded to Carey House for the report of an unconscious female. Upon further investigation, it was determined that the intoxicated student was under the age of 21 and was ill. The individual was transported by ambulance to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment and later returned to campus. She was cited for underage drinking and public drunkenness.

INFORMATION / BROKEN WINDOW—Public Safety responded to Vedder Hall for the report of a broken window. No witnesses or suspects were located in a search of the area.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT—While on routine patrol, Public Safety heard two males arguing in front of Larison Cottage. Upon further investigation, the two males were found to be students. One of the students was threatening the other and was cited for disorderly conduct.

UNDERAGE DRINKING / PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS—Public Safety responded to Edwards House for the report of an unconscious female. Upon further investigation, it was determined that the individual was a student, under the age of 21, who was intoxicated and ill. The individual was transported by ambulance to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room and later returned to campus. Lewisburg Police Department responded. Citations were issued for underage consumption and public drunkenness.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—Student Health Services requested an ambulance for a student who was having an allergic reaction. The individual was transported by ambulance to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room and later returned to campus.

INFORMATION—A student reported to Public Safety that another student threatened to do bodily harm to him as well as damaging his vehicle when they met at an off-campus location. The student requested that no action be taken at this time.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student contacted Public Safety and requested transportation to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment of a head injury. A Student Health Services driver responded and transported the student, who later returned to campus.

INFORMATION / FALSE FIRE ALARM—Public Safety responded to McDonnell Hall for the report of a fire alarm activation caused by a juvenile activating a pull station while visiting in the building. The adults promised to watch the juvenile more closely.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed the hood ornament from her vehicle while it was parked on Coleman Road. The incident is under investigation.

Monday, Oct. 28

MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT—Public Safety responded to Lit Road for the report of a motor vehicle accident caused by two employees simultaneously backing out of parking spaces and striking each another. No injuries were sustained.

INFORMATION / VEHICLE DAMAGE—A student reported to Public Safety that a tree that was being felled by Physical Plant fell into the roadway on Dent Drive scratching her vehicle. The driver sustained no injuries and the incident was classified an accident.

LOST / STOLEN BU DECAL—A student reported to Public Safety that the parking decal was removed from her car while it was parked at an off-campus location. The incident is under investigation.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that a couch and an electric razor were removed from his Roberts Hall room while he was away on Fall Break. The incident is under investigation.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT—Public Safety responded to Chi Phi Fraternity for a complaint of food being propelled by a slingshot at the Fraternity house. A witness directed Public Safety to the McDonnell Hall room from which the food was propelled. An investigation led Public Safety to the person responsible for the incident and a large slingshot was confiscated. Citations for possession and use of a projectile impelling device, disorderly conduct and unsworn falsification to authorities issued.

INFORMATION / POSSIBLE ACT 64 DRUG VIOLATION—Public Safety responded to Swartz Hall for the report of the odor of marijuana in the stairwell. No witnesses or suspects could be located in a search of the area.

Tuesday, Oct. 29

FAILURE TO VACATE A BUILDING FOR A FIRE ALARM—Public Safety responded to Gateway Malesardi for the report of a fire alarm activation. One student refused to exit the building. A citation was issued for failing to vacate your room during a fire alarm.

INFORMATION / VEHICLE DAMAGE—Public Safety responded to Loomis Street for the report of a tree down in the roadway. Two students were alerted to check their vehicles for damage that may have been caused when the tree fell. Lewisburg Borough responded and removed the tree from the roadway.

Library opens at 7:45 to accommodate campus early birds

Monica McMurrer—The Bucknellian

Bertrand Library began new operating hours as of Oct. 23, opening at 7:45 a.m. The earlier hours were instituted for students and faculty who require library resources before their 8 a.m. classes.

By Christopher Styers
Senior Writer

Information Services and Resources (ISR) announced that Bertrand Library will open 15 minutes earlier, at 7:45 a.m. instead of 8 a.m., on weekdays starting Oct. 23. The library will continue with these hours throughout the school year.

ISR has made this move in order to better accommodate students and faculty with classes and other commitments at 8 a.m.

Students and faculty will be able to start checking out materials and equipment by 7:45 a.m. and Reference/Information desks will be available by 8 a.m.

Students and faculty who were in need of library services for early morning classes and obligations had requested extended hours for some time.

"Opening the library 15 minutes before the first class of the day has been 'pleaded' for by many, most especially by faculty and students who need to pick up materials and/or equipment before their 8 a.m. class," said Isabella O'Neill, librarian and manager of reference services and resources.

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The decision to change hours was made by one of ISR's public service committees, which is comprised of representatives from the Reference/Information desk, the Technology Support desk and the Circulation/Reserves/Equipment desk.

The committee informally gathered information through stories and requests made by faculty and students that had early classes and were not able to get materials from the library and arrive to class on time.

O'Neill said that the new hours will especially help students and faculty who found out they had a piece of equipment that did not work so they could exchange it.

The change has been welcome and the library has received a number of thank yous, especially from faculty and administrators. Students are also appreciative of the change.

"It's a good change," Candice Olszewski '04 said. "You can get necessary materials for the day and get any last minute stuff done before class that you were unable to finish the night before."

O'Neill finds the change encouraging and believes ISR's decision will benefit the campus community.

"It provides much needed extra service time for faculty, staff and students who need to check out equipment or materials before classes begin at 8 a.m. or before campus offices open for the day," O'Neill said. "Everyone is rushed these days and ISR hopes that the availability of circulation and equipment services 15 minutes earlier will help users who used to feel 'boxed in' with ISR's 8 a.m. opening hour."

BSG

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"Yes, the president lives down the hall from me."

On average, 45 percent of the students stated that they knew one or more of their class officers (with the senior class being the maximum at 70.7 percent, and the junior class being the minimum at 22.2 percent).

When asked if they felt comfortable approaching the officers they knew, about 36 percent of students said yes. In other words, 9 percent of students interviewed knew their class officers but did not feel comfortable approaching them.

The fact that a minority of students know their class officers may simply indicate that BSG is not publicizing their activities sufficiently. In fact, a majority of first-year students commented that they have not seen or experienced anything related to BSG.

"They could be doing more. I don't know who they are or what they're doing," Megan Multack '06 said. "We've only received one e-mail from our class president."

Even many upperclass students were not aware of BSG's efforts.

"I'm under the impression that they help us out, but I'm not sure how—their presence is hidden." John Luthi '04 said.

First-year Class President Paul Wolujewicz indicated that the percentages were disheartening.

"I would have to say that we strive to reach a great number of people who would approach his or her officers," Wolujewicz said. "We are having a great first part of the year, and we are looking forward to many more fun upcoming events."

Sadaghiani echoed Wolujewicz in the fact that it is disappointing that such a small percentage of students felt comfortable approaching their class officers.

"Class officers are the real link back to the class, and the ratiug is an indication that possibly there should be more door-to-door events," Sadaghiani said.

Laura Day, president of the class of 2003, encourages students to approach her or other class officers with ideas, comments and suggestions. Also, Day offered suggestions on improving the polling figures.

"BSG and the senior class will put forth greater effort to improve student-to-student communication and interaction, in addition to brainstorming ways of providing better feedback and representation for the seniors," she said.

"Amir Sada-something"

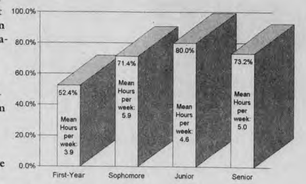
Polled students were asked similar questions about the executive board of BSG, which includes the student body president and vice presidents for finance, operations and administration. About 31 percent of students claimed that they knew the executive officers, but only 21 percent knew Sadaghiani's first name. Only 14 percent of sophomores claimed to know the executive officers, while about 56 percent of seniors know them.

Many students, especially seniors, identified Omar Zalatimo '03 as BSG president. Zalatimo is actually the BSG vice president for operations. Similarly, many confused Day, senior class president, and Aziz Megii '03, Interfraternity Council president, with Sadaghiani. Sadaghiani was not surprised by this.

"Omar is my right-hand man and we work on BSG a lot together. Also our name is only two letters apart. Same with Aziz—our names are only two letters apart," Sadaghiani said.

The poll also provides figures for student club involvement, including club sports and Greek organizations, but not varsity athletics. Of those polled, about two-thirds are involved in student organizations, with an average of 4.8 hours per week spent participating in those organizations. Over 70 percent of upperclassmen claim to be actively involved in student organizations, while only 50 percent of first-year students are involved.

Chart at right shows student involvement in clubs and organizations on campus. Participation increased continuously from year to year, except decreased slightly for the senior class.



Information on Bucknellian *polls*

When providing polling results, *The Bucknellian* believes that it is necessary to provide the most accurate statistics as possible. As a result, polls are carefully planned to take into account sample sizes, confidence levels and intervals, random selections and bias. Polls are conducted **over the telephone** in order to prevent biases which are prevalent in electronic and/or campus mail surveys, and thus *The Bucknellian* requires at least a **90 percent response rate** to be considered valid. The BSG poll included a random sample of 6 percent of the student body, and received a 90 percent response rate. Poll conducted by: **Michelle Dombeck, Sandi-Jo Galati, Rachel Laskow** and **Jason Rubinstein.**

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News

World Briefs

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Mount Etna's fountains of fire ease

SANTA VENERINA, Italy—Residents in the shadow of the fire-spitting Mount Etna breathed a sigh of relief on Wednesday as lava rivers flowing from Europe's most active volcano seemed to slow. Experts could not rule out the threat of more earthquakes, which have jolted the volcano awake and left hundreds of families homeless in the town of Santa Venerina.

Russia announces gas used in theater rescue

MOSCOW—After much international criticism for its secrecy, Russia confirmed U.S. suspicions that the gas used in the storming of a Moscow theater, where Chechen gunmen held hundreds of hostages, was based on Fentanyl, a fast-acting opiate with medical applications. Meanwhile, police said Danish authorities detained an envoy of Chechen separatist leader Aslan Maskhadov after Russia said he may have been involved in the Moscow siege, in which 118 people died, nearly all of them in the raid.

Bush to meet Brunei leader in December

WASHINGTON—U.S. President George W. Bush will meet with the leader of oil-rich Brunei, Sultan Hassanal Bolkiah, on Dec. 16 in efforts to combat terrorism and boost trade, the White House announced Wednesday. The meeting will take place at the White House, and comes as the United States seeks support for a possible attack on Iraq that could disrupt the flow of oil.

Israeli political crisis ends coalition

JERUSALEM—Prime Minister Ariel Sharon's hard-line government crumbled Wednesday after Labor Party ministers submitted their resignations in a dispute over funding for Jewish settlements. Sharon told parliament he would continue to lead the country, suggesting he would try to govern with a narrow coalition of far-right and religious parties. If that effort fails, the Israeli leader could call early elections, a move that would hamper U.S. peace efforts in the region as Washington vamps up for war against Iraq.

Jordanian police detain militants

AMMAN, Jordan—Jordanian officials rounded up dozens of known Islamic extremists for questioning Tuesday in the assassination of American diplomat Laurence Foley, as suspicion for the attack fell on al-Qaida or the terrorist movement's sympathizers.

Explosion in northwest Kabul, peacekeepers investigate

KABUL, Afghanistan—An explosion rattled northern Kabul late Wednesday, and Italian peacekeepers were sent to investigate. New Zealand squadron leader Terry Hay, a spokesman for the international peacekeeping force, said it was not clear what caused the explosion or how large it was, but it could be heard throughout the Afghan capital.

Mass child abductions in Uganda

GULU, Uganda—A wave of mass child abductions has hit northern Uganda, where rebels are seizing hundreds of boys and girls to swell their ranks against a government offensive, charities said on Wednesday. The Lord's Resistance Army is kidnapping an average of at least 10 children a day, forcing them to participate in killings before turning them into soldiers or sex slaves for their commanders, the charities said.

Congo sends off military allies after devastating four-year war

KINSHASA, Congo—Congo bade farewell Wednesday to its military allies in a devastating four-year war, a day after the government and rebels came to a tentative agreement to share power before elections. A closed celebration at the presidential palace in Kinshasa marked the end of the military involvement of Zimbabwe, Angola and Namibia. They were backing the shaky government of the mineral-rich nation in a complicated conflict, in which rebels had the support of forces from Rwanda and Uganda.

Smuggling charges in Haitians' case

MIAMI—Six people were charged Wednesday with trying to smuggle more than 200 Haitians into the United States aboard a rickety freighter. Activists, meanwhile, urged Florida Republican Gov. Jeb Bush to prevent authorities from deporting the Haitians, who jumped overboard Tuesday and dashed onto a Miami roadway to flag down cars.

Peru finds pre-Inca ruins beneath Lake Titicaca

LIMA—Peruvian divers have found pre-Inca stairways, ramps and walls beneath the waters of Lake Titicaca, but experts said on Wednesday the discoveries were not the remains of a legendary lost city.

Canada advises citizens born in U.S.-targeted countries to reconsider travel to United States

TORONTO—The Canadian government has issued a travel advisory with a twist: It suggests citizens born in Iraq, Syria and other countries targeted by U.S. anti-terrorism policies consider avoiding travel to the United States. The advisory issued Monday focuses on a U.S. regulation adopted a year after the Sept. 11 attacks that permits American authorities to closely monitor travelers born in certain countries suspected of terrorism links.

Community prepares for upcoming elections

By James Leahy
Senior Writer

The incessant political ads on television and the radio will go away on Tuesday when Americans go to the polls to make their election decisions. Everything from the governorship of Pennsylvania, Congressional positions and state and local races are on the ballot. While many students remain registered to vote at home and will have already voted using absentee ballots, many students on campus registered to vote in Lewisburg.

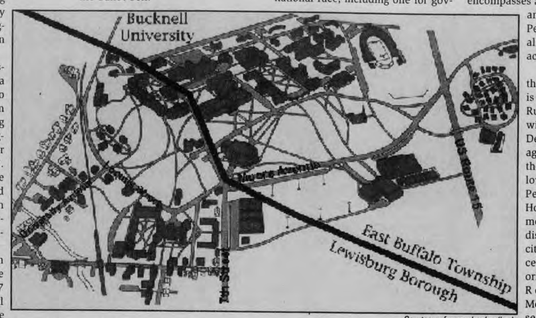
At this point, registration in Pennsylvania is closed. According to the League of Women Voters of the Lewisburg Area, the last day to register for the November election was Oct. 7. Registration forms are available in Bertrand Library near the main entrance for those interested in future elections.

The polls in Pennsylvania will be open on Tuesday from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Local polling places include the Weis Center for students registered to vote in East Buffalo Township and Lewisburg High School for students registered to vote in Ward 3—most students registered to vote in Lewisburg Borough live in Ward 3.

Other Lewisburg polling places include the Senior Center on 2nd Street for Ward 1, the Courthouse for Ward 2 and the Buffalo Valley Nursing Home for Ward 4. To be eligible to vote in Lewisburg, a student has to have been a U.S. citizen for at least one month, a resident of a Pennsylvania election district for at least 30 days and be at least 18 years old.

Voting procedure for write-in candidates has also changed.

According to the *Lewisburg Daily Journal*, "voters will be required to punch a punch card when they write in a candidate's name. In the past all that was required was writing the candidate's name on ballot. Now voters will write in the name, office and term, and then punch a slot marked 'write-in' to register the vote. In addition, the name of the candidate should be written on the gray envelope provided with the ballot before it is placed in when put in the ballot box."



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Township lines divide the University campus into two voting wards. Students living in East Buffalo Township can vote in the Weis Center on Tuesday, while most students living in Lewisburg Borough vote at Lewisburg High School.

Last year, there was a large student turnout as several students entered races for local government—Nate Sorber '02 and Matthew Kasdan '03. Running in the mayoral race against challengers Lewis Hendricks and Mike Molesevich, Sorber was defeated at election by the incumbent Hendricks, who had been mayor of Lewisburg for a total of 18 years.

The race between Kasdan and Peter Bergonia was a bit closer. Both looking for a seat from Ward 3, the vote was recounted after a slim margin of victory for Bergonia came up after the initial count. Following the recount, the race was deemed a dead heat. Eventually, a drawing of names from a hat was used to decide the winner (Bergonia) and showed just how close students were to getting a voice in the Borough Council.

This year's election will not be as exciting in terms of local politics. Lewisburg and East Buffalo Township government is set for another year. Students registered to vote here will go to the polls instead to vote in several state races and a national race, including one for governor of Pennsylvania.

The race for Pennsylvania governor is quite heated and is being run by four candidates—Republican Mike Fisher, Democrat Ed Rendell, Libertarian Ken Krawchuk and Green Party candidate Michael Morrill. According to most, Rendell is comfortably in the lead going into the election and he is widely expected to defeat Fisher.

The lieutenant governor's race mirrors the governor's race. The choices include Republican Jane Earll, Democrat Catherine Baker Knoll, Libertarian Henry Haller III and Green Party candidate Vicki Smedley.

The other two main races are not extremely exciting, yet they have not failed to make some news. In the 10th Congressional Representative District, one candidate is running virtually unopposed under the Republican and Democratic party labels. Don Sherwood will be facing Green Party candidate Kurt Shotko. In addition, University medical director Don Stechschulte has announced a write-in candidacy. The district encompasses a large swath of central and northeastern Pennsylvania, including all of Union County, according to dnet.org.

For State House in the 85th district, the race is pretty much the same. Russ Fairchild is running with the Republican and Democratic labels against Eric Prindle of the Green Party. The lower house of Pennsylvania's State House "consists of 203 members each of whose district contains 59,000 citizens. Every law concerning taxation must originate in the House of Representatives. Members of the House serve two-year terms. The 85th district includes parts of Snyder County and all of Union County. Its total population is 61,258," according to dnet.org.

Prindle of Selinsgrove, made news back in July when, according to the *Lewisburg Daily Journal*, he was "arrested and charged with defiant trespass after police said he was gathering signatures for a petition to put gubernatorial candidate Mike Morrill on the fall ballot. Prindle was arrested when he did not follow police orders to stop gathering the signatures at a street festival. He was charged with defiant trespass."

The future of Pennsylvania is up for grabs, as is control of the U.S. Senate and control of numerous governorships.

DOWNTOWN

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hood members and University members together to develop strategies to determine how to make Lewisburg a more aesthetically pleasing area and to ensure that all community members are satisfied.

"[The University] requested $30,000 of cash to support their staff. If the ARC approves it, then we have to work with Lewisburg to put together some combination of money and people to match the $30,000 gap in order to have the grant approved," Bromfield said.

University Vice President for Student Affairs Charles Pollock '70 said that the grant would be used to determine what the options are for the downtown neighborhoods if they are no longer rented to students.

According to Bromfield, the task force is trying to determine how to study and assist in neighborhood reorganization, business development, programming and project planning.

Pollock said that the task force is operating under the University Board of Trustees in response a resolution established in 1998 that stated recreating a residential university by moving students back on campus would be beneficial.

"So, at this point we are operating under [the guidelines of the 1998 resolution]," Pollock said. "What we are now studying in the next year is what would happen if that resolution was given full effect. If we find no secure positive alternatives then we will not have a premise for that conclusion. But unless and until that conclusion is reached, we are going to attempt to implement the plan."

According to Pollock, if viable alternatives cannot be identified with regard to what would replace the student housing downtown, it will not be possible to move all students on campus.

"Becoming a fully residential university is a two-step question. One question is, Are there good reasons to have students on campus? And the decision on that was 'yes.' The second is, Can we be satisfied that those good reasons outweigh possible negative effects of changing the status quo with respect to students living on campus, and especially from an educational standpoint?" Pollock said.

According to Pollock, the task force will go forward with research regardless of whether the grant is approved or not.

"We need to keep asking these questions. If they do approve the grant, we will be able to approach it more aggressively and in more ways with better information if we have this funding," Pollock said.

"We would not want to move all students back to campus at all, unless we had appropriate accommodations for them. We need to have appropriate senior-style housing," Dean of Students Richard Ferraro said. "People who would be occupying these would be getting ready to go into the world and they should have accommodations that are suitable for that end. If we did not build the appropriate housing, I would not want to move students back on campus."

According to Ferraro, an outfit that builds housing for colleges and universities came to the University and presented different apartment alternatives.

The model Ferraro said he is considering is a four-bedroom unit. Each room is a single and two people would share a bathroom. The apartments also include large kitchen and living areas.

"I think [the apartments] would be a really nice thing to have," Ferraro said. "We are really good in terms of basic housing for underclassmen, but we need better apartment style housing. We have the Gateways, but I think these would be even nicer than the Gateways."

According to Pollock, the University will take into consideration the varying desires for housing for upperclassmen.

"At different points in their development, students desire and benefit from different kinds of housing. We will continue to create variety and quite possibly extend that to what students see as the advantages of off-campus living. Other attractions of living off campus may be less amenable to integration and to University residential life program," Pollock said.

The issues of student security and welfare were also addressed by Ferraro.

"Downtown gives the impression of having a lot of freedom, and it does to a certain extent, but there are also heavy, heavy fines for over $1,000 for parties. It provides a more secure environment for parents and students if housing is on campus," Ferraro said. "We do have students who are pulled back each year to campus for problems downtown, and you sort of eliminate all that if you have it on campus. And finally, it fits with our residential pattern on campus. We have deliberately always housed about 90 percent of our students on campus anyway, so I don't think it is that radical of a difference."

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> *—**Charles Pollock** '70, vice president for student affairs*

According to Ferraro, parents have expressed concern about their children's safety in off-campus housing, but he said the University could not be held responsible for safety if the housing is not on campus.

"I think the on-campus accommodations will be much nicer. I think they will be much safer with modern systems of electricity and heating," Ferraro said.

Some Lewisburg residents have expressed concern regarding moving students back on campus, including the potential losses for downtown merchants.

"I know for a fact that living off campus prepares students to live on their own after college. It also keeps the property values up in the town. Not all landlords will be able to keep up; most places are rented on a steady basis now. It will create a softness in the market. It will be somewhat devastating to this town," said Kevin Gardner, owner of the Bull Run Inn as well as other commercial and private buildings.

According to Gardner, 120-140 units downtown are inhabited by students.

"Landlords will be scrambling to get those units rented. I think the Trustees may need to take a better look," Gardner said.

Andrea Deibler-Gorman is a resident of 7th Street who said she would not want to see students move back on campus.

"All the houses around us are student rentals and I would hate to see those houses standing empty. I think perhaps other people would want to rent the homes temporarily, and my husband and I would prefer they were rented by students," Deibler-Gordon said.

Deibler-Gordon said that although in the past there have been problems with students, within the past three years there has only been one negative incident, which was dealt with.

"We have had some very good, conscientious student neighbors. They have given us their phone numbers in case they are too loud. I think it is our opinion that Bucknell seems to be making progress with acquainting students on how to deal with community members," Deibler-Gordon said.

According to Bromfield, if the grant is approved, the task force's desire and current intention is to have students conduct research. They will gather data to determine the effects moving students on campus would have on Lewisburg.

"The current menu of possibilities for student analysis includes identifying boundaries; assessing the physical conditions of current units; measuring the margins for rental units in Lewisburg; looking at parking and zoning; studying comparable universities and see how they have addressed and attempted to solve the neighborhood issues. Certainly if they can imagine or develop any creative alternatives that help us envision the future for the area that would be most helpful," Bromfield said.

News

Adams brings political, medical and life views to campus

By Meghan Fox
Staff Writer

Jason Rubinstein—The Bucknellian

Doctor Hunter "Patch" Adams visited the campus last Tuesday, talking to students about the unique philosophies that he lives his life by.

Wearing a colorful assortment of mismatched clothing, with a fork dangling from his left ear and his blue long hair tied back in a ponytail, Hunter "Patch" Adams stepped up to the microphone in the University's Rooke Chapel and asked, "What's your love strategy?"

Patch was not inquiring about the seductive tricks to lure a partner into bed, as he cleverly joked, but instead he questioned the audience's approach to love as a means of conquering suffering and violence.

Before his lecture Tuesday evening, Director of Student Health Services Donald Stechschulte gave the initial greeting to present Adams as the guest speaker. "He needs no introduction," Stechschulte said. In fact, this famous medical doctor is known all over the world for his humor, his clowning and his care.

"I may need no introduction, but Don Stechschulte, he does need an introduction. Don Stechschulte is running for Congress," Adams said.

Adams poked fun at the nature of most politicians, but reassured the audience of Stechshulte's good nature. He proceeded to explain how Stechschulte running for Congress tied in with his message of love.

"If we want to bring love into the world we need a strategy," Adams said.

Adams explained that his love strategy developed as a result of Sept. 11.

"For a political activist, every day is 9/11. Every day 30,000 [people], mostly children, die of starvation. That's five times the number that died on 9/11, every day."

He explained that the 35,146 deaths due to starvation that occurred on Sept. 11 were not perceived as any great tragedy. In fact, Adams noted that many Americans were quickly drawn into the idea of retaliation against Afghanistan, responding to violence with violence.

"Do you think ever, anyone has ever heard of any military or political structure having a love strategy for violence?" he said. "Is there anything more important in your life than love?"

When no one disagreed, he proceeded to question why

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Doctor, doctor, give me the news: An interview with Patch Adams

What would you say makes a good doctor?

Patch Adams (PA): The role of a shaman or medicine man or woman is that member of the community that says I'll specialize in looking at how we are doing and we'll think about the individual's health, the family's health, the community's health, the whole society's health and comfort when there is need and suffering and make offerings of education to try to make things better. On a direct action to a patient, the doctor wants to love their patients and be loved by their patients, and to never give up.

In all this time, have you ever been discouraged?

PA: Never once.

What message do you have for people, such as your self, who have very large dreams?

PA: Polish them off. Go to them. Dream big. Dream bigger. Collect friends. Never give up. Feel gratitude.

What would you say are your current goals?

PA: I have huge numbers of goals. I am someone who is affirming life. There are all kinds of goals. I think you live your life in action. What you have is your finger in many pies. I travel 300 days a year so there is a constant flow of "Where am I going, and what can we do?"

You said in your book, "Gesundheit," that health is based on happiness. Can you explain or expand on that?

PA: Well, I define health as a happy, vibrant, exuberant life on an average day. So if you have AIDS, or cancer, or to be blind, or whatever, and you decide to engage in life and be in the parts that you show significance to. So, health for me isn't the absence of disease, which is the way it was defined in medical school, but rather a radjant celebration of life.

You said you have lived life each day as you wanted to. Have you ever been sad?

PA: I made a decision pretty much at 18 to never have another bad day. So I have grieved for many things. I am sorry for the suffering in the world, but the performance of sad doesn't come change things. I want a performance that works to change things.

When you visit the suffering people who are on the verge of dying, what do you think you gain from such an experience?

PA: Well, human interaction. I love people, all people. Everyone's dying. You're dying, right? We are all dying. We are one day closer. If I had a metaphor for God, it would be friend. All of my spiritual life is on this planet in this moment with people. I don't see them as suffering people. I just like to engage in people.

You seem to be always presenting. Does that get tiring?

PA: Well, I am on the road a lot. I am presenting all the time, and have for 19 years, and I loved every second of it. There is such a variety and privilege to bring important thoughts to an uncomfortable world. I suppose I get enough feedback that it's valuable for people. And whoever wants a different world feels lucky to be able to present to so many wide audiences.

Does putting on this "other face" or presentation change your mood?

PA: Well you see I operate from my intentions, so I intend something. I intend to be friendly. I intend to love

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Morin receives Fulbright Scholar Award

By Matthew Ellis
Opinions Editor

Associate Professor of Geography Karen Morin received a Fulbright Scholar Award. She is one of approximately 800 U.S. faculty and professionals who will travel abroad to some 140 countries during the 2002-03 academic year through the Fulbright Scholar Program.

As a Fulbright Scholar to Russia's Nizhni Novgorod State University during the fall semester, she is giving weekly lectures on themes related to cultural and gender geography and the American West. She is also presenting her research at conferences and delivering a public lecture on North American feminist historical geography.

Fulbright Scholar Award

—Established in 1946 by Arkansas Sen. William Fulbright

—Purpose is to build mutual understanding between people of the United States and other countries

—Recipients are selected on academic and professional merit, as well as leadership potential

Morin's research focuses on the connections between British and American imperialism, North American historical geography and women's travel writing.

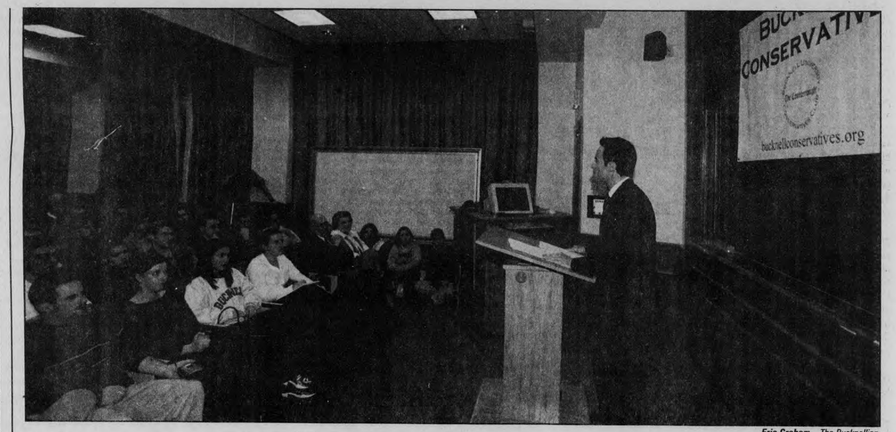
Much of her research has focused on relationships among 19th century British travel writing, Victorian gender relations and British and American imperialism. She is working on a number of projects that attempt to make links between post-colonial studies and the historical geography of North America.

She has taken preliminary steps in that direction in two recent studies, one on the letters of an Omaha Indian woman Rosalie La Flesche Farley, and another on journalists' depictions of the beginning stages of industrial mining in the 1870s American West. Among her current projects is a post-colonial critique of travel and exploration sponsored by the American Geographical Society, and a study of women's religious landscapes of 19th century Quebec.

Joining the University in 1995, Morin received her bachelor's and doctoral degrees from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and a master's degree from Bowling Green State University. She will be accompanied to Russia by her husband and two children.

Established in 1946 under legislation introduced by the late Democratic Sen. J. William Fulbright of Arkansas, the Fulbright Scholar Program's purpose is to build mutual understanding between the people of the United States and other countries.

Recipients of Fulbright Scholar Awards are selected by academic or professional achievement and because they have demonstrated extraordinary leadership potential in their fields. Among thousands of prominent U.S. Fulbright Scholar alumni are Milton Friedman, Nobel laureate in economics; James Watson, co-discoverer of the structure of DNA and Nobel laureate in medicine; Pulitzer Prize-winning poet Rita Dove; and Intel Corporation CEO Craig Barrett.



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Thor Halvorssen, the executive director of the Foundation of Individual Rights in Education, spoke on campus last Thursday. Brought to campus controversially by the Conservatives Club, Halvorssen criticized the University for infringing on students' right to free speech.

Halvorssen speaks despite University opposition

By Rachel Laskow
Editor-in-Chief

Universities are the scene of ferocious assault on freedom of speech, said Executive Director of the Foundation of Individual Rights in Education (FIRE) Thor Halvorssen in Dana Engineering last Thursday.

"Most universities, however, promise academic freedom and religious freedom, but instead they deliver selective oppression and censorship," Halvorssen said.

The Conservatives Club brought Halvorssen to speak on campus despite a lack of support from the administration. According to University General Counsel Wayne Bromfield, the University did not approve funds for Halvorssen's speech because the University received a letter from FIRE in early August that threatened the use of legal resources to challenge and overturn a decision of the University's Community Judicial Board.

"I was quite stunned that they would actually defund a lecture that was funded by the student government, voted on by the student government and they themselves decided we don't really want him here; we are not going to pay for his expenses to get here. Well, I would have come here on my bicycle if necessary," Halvorssen said.

According to Halvorssen, there are hundreds of colleges and universities that have restricted rights. Such restrictions are not legal at public schools and are not often advertised at private schools.

Halvorssen said that schools such as the University of Connecticut (UConn) have restricted rights.

At UConn, inconsiderate jokes, stereotyping and inappropriately directed laughter are outlawed. Halvorssen believes that nothing is stopping private universities from deciding that regulating speech of its students is important.

"Speech codes created an arena of double standards," Halvorssen said.

Halvorssen feels that although the University shines in its pamphlets and catalogues as a center of learning, it is a perfect example of fraud and false advertising because of the speech code it imposes.

For example, the University has a speech code that bans "disparaging or condescending remarks about a person's gender or sexual orientation," Halvorssen said.

Conservatives Club Vice President for Special Events Adam Hersperger '05 believes it is impossible to advocate free speech while saying certain things cannot be discussed due to sensitivity issues.

"In my mind, living in freedom means the exchange of thoughts, ideas and opinions without fear of how something I say may be interpreted by another individual," Hersperger said.

President of V-Day Bucknell Valerie Lam '04 agrees that strict speech codes hinder the ability to learn, simply because people are not exposed to various opinions on issues.

"That is a hypocritical point considering universities are supposed to be institutions of free learning," Lam said.

According to Vice President for Student Affairs Charles Pollock '70, the University does not have, or plan to have, a speech code, but its policies pertaining to harassment must apply to everyone.

"Whatever standards a university has must be fairly and evenly applied, and the university must model the valued behavior," Pollock said.

Halvorssen said that by implementing these policies, the University is treating students as children and telling them they do not have same rights as those who go to local community college.

Hersperger echoes Halvorssen's concern.

"Until all speech codes are done away with, I can never be totally free or comfortable in expressing myself. Sometimes I have to think before I speak out of fear that what I say may be deemed offensive by someone else who just happened to overhear it," Hersperger said. "Also, after students leave this school and enter the 'real world,' they won't always have the University there to hold their hands if someone happens to offend them."

Pollock does not feel that the University treats students as children.

"We do encourage, and sometimes enforce, standards of civility and self-control, but adults who choose to be part of a community are subject to those standards as well. It's not a question of children vs. adults," Pollock said.

Halvorssen also stressed the importance of the University treating students as individuals.

"You choose universities, above all, for the future value of your degrees and for the quality of the learning, inquiry, social life and, in the broadest sense, for the discovery that you will have here. You do not choose your universities to be your mother and father," Halvorssen said.

According to Halvorssen, some students at the University are protected and some students do not matter.

"I think it's terrible that some people's feelings apparently matter more than others. This is also insinuating that certain groups are less capable of dealing with these issues without the help of the administration," Conservatives Club President Denise Chaykun '04 said.

Chaykun said she enjoyed the speech and was thrilled by the amount of people who showed up.

Lam was disappointed that Halvorssen attacked the administration.

"The administrators are sometimes the most supportive people for certain issues, including that of free speech," Lam said.

Some aspects of the speech also displeased Pollock.

"While Bucknell can benefit from hearing many voices on the issues of the day, I was generally disappointed by how much that particular talk depended on misstatement of fact and misrepresentation of others' thinking," Pollock said.

News

Toni Morrison receives University honor

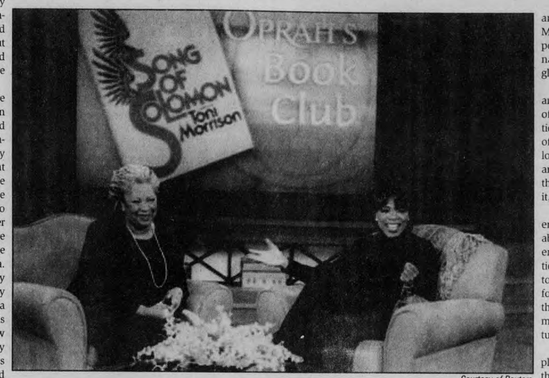
Renowned author accepts first Janet Weis Fellow at Weis Center Oct. 17

By Alyson Walker
Features Editor

Looking beyond race is important, Nobel laureate Toni Morrison informed a sold-out crowd at the Weis Center for the Performing Arts on Oct. 17.

Morrison told the audience about an interview where she asked to discuss anything besides race—her work as a woman, themes, family—anything but race. The interviewer initially agreed, but later rescinded and only asked her questions about race.

"Racial difference is a very big seller. Neither he [the interviewer] nor his audience were interested in me besides my race," Morrison said. "At that time, I had a yearning very strongly for an environment in which I could speak and write without every sentence I penned being understood as mere protest."



Courtesy of Reuters

Toni Morrison, author of novelssuch as "Beloved" and "Song of Solomon," appears on "The Oprah Winfrey Show." Morrison received the first Janet Weis Fellow in Contemporary Letters and Literature from the University and spoke to a community audience at the Weis Center Oct. 17.

Morrison spoke as the first Janet Weis Fellow in Contemporary Letters and Literature, an honor conferred upon her by University President Steffen Rogers. The prize is funded through the Degenstein Foundation to honor Janet Weis for her contributions to the University and the Susquehanna Valley area.

Professor of Biology and former University President Gary Sojka introduced the Janet Weis Fellow, saying how blessed the community was to have Janet Weis and her late husband Sigmund Weis' contributions to the entire Susquehanna Valley. He also thanked the Degenstein Foundation for its generous contribution. Sojka said Morrison truly embodies the spirit of the prize, and the University was pleased to have her as a speaker.

"This is really the first of what will be hopefully a series of literary events, which we expect to be both high profile and highly prestigious. We expect that what is to come to be known as the 'Weis Prize' is going to be something coveted by the finest writers in the world," Sojka said. "Now that's a big order, but we certainly have the right start tonight."

Associate Professor of English Glyne Griffith introduced Morrison. He first gave the audience background on the award-winning novelist, critic, teacher and professor. He then discussed her importance as a contemporary writer.

"As one who in her own work continues to reject, alter and expose oppressive language and oppressive life, Toni Morrison reminds us of the true meaning of democracy, the true meaning of freedom," Griffith said.

Morrison spoke of the concept of belonging—who belongs, who does not and an individual sense of belonging. She spoke of the different concepts of citizens versus foreigners, especially in the United States. Morrison has been looking at female authors and their treatment of farewells and homecomings as related to racial differences. She referenced texts such as "Out of Africa," "Gone with the Wind," "To Kill a Mockingbird" and also read a passage from her own novel, "Beloved."

Studying other writers has led Morrison to reconsider how she uses language to convey her thoughts and ideas.

"My project became to make the history and rhetoric one. I claimed the right to authorship," Morrison said. "To read the world, to misread it. I wanted my work to be disabling. It is literature that expands language."

Morrison does not promote a culture in which race does not exist, and discussed the role of racism in culture and society.

"It's not to be interpreted as an endorsement of race transcendence. I don't look forward to, or want, some colorblind, race-free culture. Our culture is already racist, and it not only exists; it thrives. The question is not whether the culture is racist, but the question is if it thrives as a virus or thrives as a beautiful harvest of opportunities," Morrison said.

Morrison also mentioned the changing nature of literature and the emergence of a new paradigm that moves beyond race.

"Wouldn't it be nice if, in this case, life reflected art?" Morrison said. "I don't have the answers, but I can see the changes in literature about the stranger. Who are the foreigners? Maybe you are the foreigner on your own street."

Racial and feminist contexts of writing attempt to a categorize Morrison as a black writer or a woman writer.

"I wanted to frustrate the label of a black writer," Morrison said. "These [people's stereotypes] are not my racial politics; these are yours."

Students recognized the thought-provoking nature of Morrison's lecture.

"I agree with Ms. Morrison when she said that she wouldn't want a colorblind nation. We cannot escape the idea of race now; it is too ingrained in our society. However, that doesn't mean that it has to be a destructive force. Rather, it should be a source of creativity and new perspectives," Katie Kleissas '04 said. "The terms 'foreign' and 'native' contribute to race's destructive force because it forms a hostile separation between peoples. I believe that Ms. Morrison is exploring the consequences of this separation in her research."

In the question and answer period, Morrison discussed the porous borders of the nation-state due to globalism.

"Making demons and evil foreigners out of others is an old practice … with the stretch of globalism, there is a loss of the nation-state and nationality while there is a craving for it," Morrison said.

Morrison also entertained questions about teaching, motherhood and inspiration. She had a caveat to teachers to avoid focusing entirely on the canon or on the more alternative literature.

"One of my principle disappointments in the curricular debate over the canon is that it is one or the other," Morrison said.

Morrison also admitted to making mistakes while attempting to be both a writer and a mother. She said her children suffered the most from her mistakes, but joked that when they grew up, they made her pay for it.

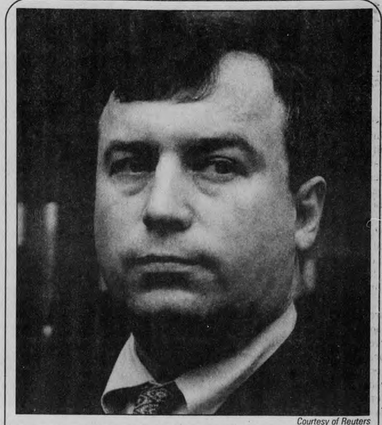
She attributes her inspiration to a question—how did something feel—and that from not understanding and a desire to know, a book is born. Laughing, she added that she wished she could go to 7-11 for inspiration.

Rogers viewed the event as a success.

"This inaugural event is just amazing—the auditorium is full, we have a Nobel laureate speaking to us tonight and we have a wonderful set of guests," Rogers said. "I can't imagine a better evening or a better kickoff for the Janet Weis Series than this. Toni Morrison is a very special person, and we're fortunate to have her here. We put the whole package together, and it's a pretty amazing evening."

Morrison also appeared to enjoy the evening, and was pleased by the standing ovations that welcomed her to the stage.

"If you ever run out [of people to give the Fellowship to], I'll come back and get another 'Weis Prize,'" Morrison said jokingly.



Courtesy of Reuters

University alum John Rusnak pled guilty Oct. 24 to charges stemming from $691.2 million trading scandal. Rusnak faces a sentence of seven and a half years in a federal prison.

Rusnak '86 pleads guilty to bank fraud

By Rachel Laskow
Editor-in-Chief

John Rusnak '86, a former trader at Baltimore's Allfirst Financial Inc., pled guilty to bank fraud in a $691.2 million trading scandal, according to *The New York Times*. During the Oct. 24 hearing, Rusnak admitted to one count of bank fraud.

Rusnak now faces a sentence of seven and a half years without parole in a federal prison on a single count of bank fraud. Rusnak will not be formally sentenced until Jan. 17. He is not expected to begin his prison term until after his sentencing hearing.

According to *The Baltimore Sun*, Rusnak will not be eligible for parole, though he could have his term reduced by as much as 13.5 months for good behavior. Rusnak will also have five years' probation after he is released from prison.

"This is a very stiff white-collar sentence," Maryland U.S. Attorney Thomas M. DiBiagio told *The Sun*. "We wanted to send a very clear statement out there that we consider this a serious crime. We wanted a very serious sentence in this case."

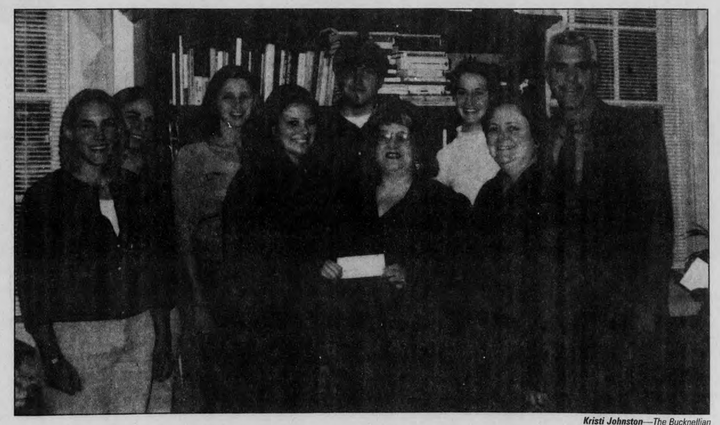
In addition to jail time, Rusnak also will be barred from serving as an officer, director or employee of any FDIC depository institution, according to *The New York Times*.

Rusnak majored in economics at the University and made the Dean's List twice. After graduating from the University, Rusnak began working at First Fidelity Bank in Philadelphia. In 1989, he worked for the foreign exchange division at Chemical Bank in New York. In 1993, Rusnak became a currency trader at the First National Bank, now known as Allfirst.

University Chaplain Ian Oliver believes that Rusnak's case brings up the question of where in their University education students are challenged to think through the line between honest competition and fraudulent manipulation.

"Cases like Rusnak's raise issues not only about Bucknell's stated ideals for character development, but also questions about our success at actually building individual character. Statements of goals are great, but are we really making the effort needed to help people develop critical ethical thinking while they are here?" Oliver said. "Of course, Bucknell cannot be held responsible for every misdeed of one of our graduates, any more than we can take the credit for every success, but this is a good time to think about where ethics and values come into our curriculum and residential life."

Home Club gives donation to Habitat for Humanity



Kristi Johnston—The Bucknellian

The Bucknell Home Club recently donated $225—the proceeds from the club's annual Fourth of July food stand—to Habitat for Humanity. ***Above:*** *(back row, from left) Carrie Paxton '05; Allie Gasbarra '05; Ben Hovey '04; Jessica Peciballi '05; Director of Alumni, Parents and Volunteers Dave Flinchbaugh '82; (front row) Michelle Gezo '04; Lauren Pica '04; Carol Muchler, Bucknell Home Club event committee chair; Patty Johnston '73, Bucknell Home Club president*

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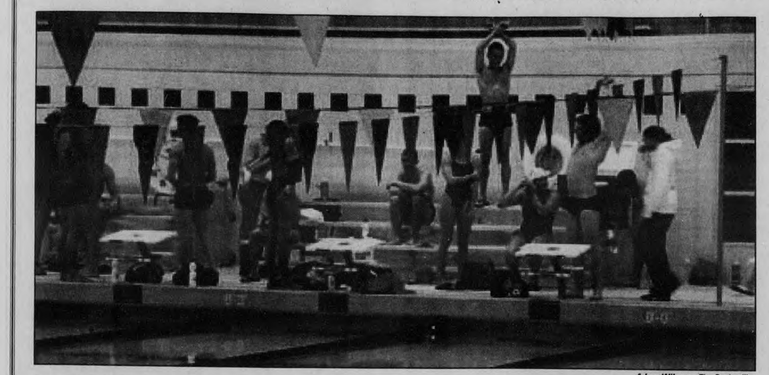

Adam Wilcox—The Bucknellian

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life. I don't operate on the syntax of because: I do this because of something. I operate on a syntax of so that: I do this so that something can happen. So, it's very real. I have an outcome I'm looking for. I am being the performance that will hopefully stimulate the greater outcome.

Can you tell me a little bit about your involvement in social activism?

PA: It's everything I do. I live it morning, noon and night. I want peace and justice and care. I think we live under a government that is comparable to Hitler's government. I think we are living on the verge of human extinction through many multi-factor problems in our environment, in our political systems, in our social systems. Since I think something can happen, I operate on many different areas and arenas hoping that something happens.

What was it like conducting a hospital out of your home?

PA: What do you think you learned from that experience? It just felt like a home. The way our thing operated was when you're home you can be a lawn mower, and a painter, and a cook, and a parent, and we were all those things and we were medical. So it was another hobby at home, so to speak. And you didn't have to go to work. You were around your family and you could integrate all of your interests easily, and it's cheaper, and more relaxing.

What advice do you have for students interested in going into the field of medicine?

PA: Love people. Love people. Love people. Feel the importance of your task, not only as a physician, but to reinvent medicine is a beautiful thing. We can no longer afford for the doctor to just look on the patient and their individual illnesses.

How do you feel that humor is able to communicate your ideas in a better way?

PA: It relaxes people. I go on an elevator dressed like this and people will relax. If I go on in a suit and act like an executive they can be uptight. I am large. I can convey a commanding presence, whatever that is. If I then, in that context, start a conversation with a man it would be one thing. If instead of that I came in as my vivacious self, I know by the 10th floor I could have a really personal conversation. It connects the community, makes community possible.

What have you learned about yourself over the years?

PA: I think I've made myself. I love life. I love affection … I love peace and justice.

Would you place your political views in a particular category?

PA: Peace and justice and care are my political views. See, for me, you have to first look at the social context or the social values system. In a value system of money and power, no political system will look good. That's what we have now. In a value system based on compassion and generosity, all the political systems would be good, because everyone will be valuing the people and being generous. It wouldn't matter if you were a monarchy or democracy or communist or socialist, because the value system would be compassion and generosity.

Adams returns to campus

PATCH ADAMS

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something of such high value to mankind is never taught anywhere in school.

At age 18, Adams decided his love strategy was to love everyone and be friendly towards everyone. As a doctor he also had a love strategy.

"I could not imagine being a doctor and not caring for all people. I was going to care for all patients equally," he said. "I was going to give them all long interviews and I wasn't going to charge any money. It's a love strategy: how to take one of the most expensive things in America and give it away for free; to make love a value. Right now money is the value. We worship money."

Patch aimed to change all this and has spent his life working towards this goal, among others.

"When 9/11 happened, I knew I loved Afghanis already. I had already gone from A to Z on the global track and said OK, I am going to love everybody."

He knew the president would be in support of the bombing of Afghanistan, adding that Bush is supported by the munitions industry.

Adams also implied an ulterior motive for bombing Afghanistan. By destroying the Taliban, the United States would gain access to the largest oil reserve in the world, found in Uzbekistan.

> *"It's a love strategy: how to take one of the most expensive things in America and give it away for free; to make love a value."*
>
> **—Patch Adams**

He also knew, from previous history, that the majority of deaths during war were those of civilians. Adams worried that many Afghans would soon be killed and wondered what possible love strategy could be applied here.

When the city of Rome asked Adams to go to Afghanistan, he quickly agreed, but asked if the visit could be made into a greater gesture. Adams was able to persuade Rome to allow him to take clowns from six continents and bring 10 tons of food.

Adams journeyed to Afghanistan in March and witnessed a hospital with three starving children to a bed. The hospital was void of food and medicine, but Adams and the other clowns brought smiles, laughter, balloons and bubbles to lighten the spirits of the children.

An Italian film director captured Adams' visit on film. The documentary conveyed the horror of poverty and starvation and the power of love and laughter. The film, entitled "Clown in Kabul," was shown at the Venice Film Festival and was included as part of Adams' presentation at the University.

"The heroes of this film are not people," Adams said. "You will see that love and humor are actually the heroes."

Adams regarded his actions, and this visit, as small gestures.

"These were the beginning ABCs of love strategies. Big gestures will stop war and end the gap between the rich and the poor," he said.

Adams concluded his lecture by suggesting love strategies for preventing the bombing of Iraq. He explained that if enough Americans were to go there, the American government could not kill its own people.

Melissa Milanak '03 called Adams a "very stimulating man, and he definitely makes you think about things. Not everyone can go to Afghanistan, but you can use those ideas and start smaller. He at least gave us a hope."

—Meghan Fox

Events Calendar

FRI — November 1

Hilltop Film Series: "The Golden Coach" (Vaughan Lit. Auditorium) **4:30 p.m.** & **8 p.m.**

Shabbat Service and Dinner (Center for Jewish Life) **5:30 p.m.**

Susquehanna Valley Mall Shuttle (Downhill LC) **6 p.m.**

Christians in Action (McDonnell Hall) **6-10 p.m.**

Murder Alfredo ... Murder Mystery Dinner (Larison Dining Hall) **7 p.m.**

The Berlin Philharmonic Wind Quintet with Jon Nakamatsu, piano (Weis) **8 p.m.**

Superdrag (Uptown) **9:30 p.m.**

Open Mic Night (7th Street Cafe) **11 p.m.**

SAT — November 2

New York City Trip (Downhill LC) **8 a.m.**

International Food Fair (Larison Dining Hall **1-3 p.m.**

Susquehanna Valley Mall Shuttle (Downhill LC) **3 p.m. and 6 p.m.**

Catholic Mass (Rooke Chapel) **5:30 p.m.**

Movie Marathon: "Little Shop of Horrors" and "Silence of the Lambs" (Bison) **9 p.m.**

Psychic Fair Tarot Card Reading, Palm Reading, Handwriting Sampler (LC Mall) **9 p.m. to 12 a.m.**

Open Music (Uptown) **9:30 p.m.**

SUN — November 3

Friends Meeting (Smith Library) **10:30 a.m.**

Interdenominational Service (Rooke Chapel) **11 a.m.**

Catholic Mass (Rooke Chapel) **4 p.m.**

Catholic Mass (Larison Dining Hall) **10 p.m.**

Anime Society Viewing (LC 301) **4-6 p.m.**

BSG Meetings (LC 272) **5 p.m.**

Circle K (LC 302) **6:30-8:30 p.m.**

Sunday Night Prayer (Taylor 115) **9-10 p.m.**

MON — November 4

Zen Meditation (Meditation Chapel) **4 p.m.**

Recruiting Conference (CDC Conference Room) **5 p.m.**

"Fefu and Her Friends" (Tustin Theatre) **8 p.m.**

Samek Art Gallery
Main Gallery
Lewis deSoto:
Paranirvana (self-portrait)
Oct. 28 - Dec. 8

TUE — November 5

Christians in Action (McDonnell Hall) **6:30-7:30 a.m.**

Stepping Stones: On-site interviews (CDC Conference Room) **12-1 p.m.**

Employer Presentation: Info From the Inside; The Pros and Cons of Executive Search Firms (LC Forum) **5-6p.m.**

Kristallnacht Observance: Eva Mozes Kor, survivor of Auschwitz and Mengele medical experiments (Vaughan Lit Auditorium) **7 p.m.**

Cocktail Theatre Auditions (Coleman Basement) **7 p.m.**

Jim Balagurc Tiro with Abel Domingues and Sam Allen (Rooke Recital Hall, Weis Music Building) **8 p.m.**

WED — November 6

First Day of Ramadan

Episcopal Service (Meditation Chapel) **12 p.m.**

Art and Art History Film Series: "Pollock" (LC Forum) **7:30 p.m.**

ACE Film "The Sum of All Fears" (Vaughan Lit. Auditorium) **10:30 p.m.**

THU — November 7

CDC Info from the Inside: Alumni Panels Engineering, Health, International, Law, Nonprofit/Government **5-6 p.m.**

Consulting, Advertising/Marketing/PR, Entrepeneural, Finance, Human Resources **6:30-7:30 p.m.**

Fourth Sunday Choir (Meditation Chapel) **5:30-7 p.m.**

"The Well" (LC 213) **8:30-11 p.m.**

Information on *The Bucknellian* Calendar

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BUSINESS & POLITICS

Democratic party loses a strong member

The death of Sen. Paul Wellstone is a loss felt by both Republicans and Democrats

By Jim Leahy
Senior Writer

The race for Senate in Minnesota was extremely tight until last Friday when a small private plane carrying incumbent Democrat Paul Wellstone crashed in northern Minnesota. Wellstone, the Senate's most outspoken liberal, was 58. The race has now taken a decidedly different path, with Democrats naming 74-year-old Walter Mondale, former senator from Minnesota and vice president under Jimmy Carter, as Wellstone's replacement.

According to a report in *The New York Times*, Wellstone's twin-engine aircraft took off at 9:37 a.m. from Minneapolis-St. Paul and had a normal flight to the airport in Eveleth.

At 10:18, the pilot was lined up with the airport and was cleared to begin an east to west approach to the runway. At 10:19, the plane was at around 3,500 feet and began to drift towards the south. Two minutes later, radar made its last contact with the plane as it crossed 1,800 feet at only 85 knots.

Acting Chair of the National Transportation Safety Board Carol Carmody said, "Everything had been completely normal up until that time, and there was no evidence on the controller's part or from the pilot's voice that there was any difficulty, no reported problems, no expressed concern. We don't know why the turn was occurring. That's what we hope to find out."

At the time of the crash, weather conditions were poor, but nothing was out of the ordinary. The plane had anti-icing equipment, but investigators do not know if it was operational at the time of the crash. Investigators did find damage to the propeller blades that may suggest that the engines were running at the time of the crash.

Leadership in the Senate is taking the loss of Wellstone hard.

"Paul Wellstone was the soul of the Senate. He was one of the most noble and courageous men I have ever known. He was a gallant and passionate fighter, especially for the less fortunate. I am grateful to have known Paul and Sheila as dear and close friends. Their deaths are a shattering loss to Minnesota, to the nation and to all who knew and loved them," Tom Daschle, D-N.D., said in a statement published on the Senate's Web site.

Wellstone was a well-known and fierce liberal. On the short side of many 99-1 votes in the Senate, he worked hard to keep to his beliefs in an environment that creates many false promises. *Congressional Quarterly* (*CQ*) wrote of Wellstone that he remained "one of the last of the unreconstructed liberals in Congress."

"I represent the Democratic wing of the Democratic Party," he proudly told audiences in Iowa as he considered a run for the presidency in 2000.

"Wellstone cited his mission as a liberal advocate in January 2001, when he declared that he would run for re-election in 2002. The onset of Republican control of both the White House and Congress had caused him to reconsider, he explained. And with an evenly divided Senate, he said, 'I am in a position to make a huge difference,'" according to *CQ*.

"Wellstone rarely backs away from a fight. The champion 126-pound wrestler at the University of North Carolina has frequently tangled (only verbally) with Minnesota Governor Jesse Ventura, the 250-pound former wrestling professional," *CQ* reported.

Courtesy of Reuters

Mourners attending Senator Wellstone's memorial service in Minneapolis this week. Senator Paul Wellstone was one of several people killed in an unexplained plane crash last week.

His style did rub some in Washington, D.C. the wrong way. Lobbyists named him "one of the worst-dressed senators" in a Washingtonian Magazine survey. In another survey of congressional staffers, he was named one of the Senate's "biggest windbags."

Wellstone did stick to his beliefs even in the face of political suicide. During voting this month in the Senate, Wellstone voted against the resolution allowing U.S. President George W. Bush to use force in dealing with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. He was the only Democrat in a tight re-election race to do so.

The big question right now is what happens next. On Wednesday, Democrats in Minnesota named Mondale as Wellstone's replacement. Republicans believe privately, according to a report in *The Washington Post*, that Mondale will be very difficult to defeat. Before his death, Wellstone was protecting a slim lead over former St. Paul mayor Norm Coleman and was seen as possibly the most endangered incumbent in the country. Sympathy may now run strong and help Mondale to victory.

Many expect Mondale to focus his campaign on Wellstone's legacy and less on his own career. Republicans are moving to counteract that strategy. They are questioning Mondale's motives directly while keeping their own candidate out of the spotlight.

Howard Kurtz, media columnist for *The Washington Post*, said that Newt Gingrich noted on "Meet the Press" that "Mondale had long pushed tax increases" (he famously promised a tax hike in his landslide presidential loss in 1984) and James Carville accused him of slash-and-burn tactics.

Meanwhile, "the White House's handpicked candidate," Coleman was a class act on "This Week," refusing to be drawn into even the most rudimentary political comments by saying that Minnesota is still in mourning for the eight people who died on Wellstone's plane.

The Wall Street Journal reported, "Republican nominee Coleman immediately suspended all campaign activities in a race that was neck and neck. A statewide poll of 1,000 likely voters last week gave Mr. Wellstone a slight lead over Mr. Coleman, 47 percent to 41 percent. But that's essentially a tie when you consider that the margin of error is plus or minus three percentage points."

The Post also said that Gov. Jesse Ventura can appoint a replacement for Wellstone who would step aside once the vote is certified. The winner will likely take his position in the lame-duck session of Congress and will play a role in debating some hot partisan issues, including the budget and the Department of Homeland Security.

Neither Democrats nor Republicans can count on Ventura, elected as a Reform Party candidate. Regardless of what Ventura decides, it is possible that whoever is elected Nov. 5 would immediately take Professor Wellstone's seat, according to State Attorney General Mike Hatch and Prof. David Schultz, who teaches election law at Hamline University in St. Paul, Minn. Under that interpretation, if Coleman wins, the current one-seat margin in the Senate would switch to the Republican Party. Minnesota Secretary of State Mary Kiffmeyer's reading of the law has an appointee sitting until January, according to *The Wall Street Journal*.

This story will add to the intrigue on Election Day. Many see similarities to a Missouri race last year, in which Mel Carnahan died just weeks before Election Day but defeated John Ashcroft, the present Attorney General. Whether or not sympathy for Wellstone's death plays out, the race is tight and will remain tight to the end.

U.S. politicians obsessed with inexpensive energy at all costs

By Mike Niebauer
Senior Writer

Recent events have brought out once again that the American political and economic system is obsessed with procuring relatively inexpensive energy at all costs regardless of the environmental, domestic or foreign policy implications. With full knowledge of the implications, we boldly proceed with mainly unsustainable policies that are sowing the seeds of energy shortages and decline in our way of life in the years to come. Sadly, this is mostly a foreseeable and avoidable future. Energy independence through denial being the American way, I will continue stating the most recent installment of the disturbingly depressing tale.

Last week the federal court ordered the Bush administration to turn over documentation of the Cheney Energy Task Force for the second time, just as government lawyers claimed that they would take the case to federal appeals court before complying. Vice President Dick Cheney's lawyers, while appealing, are hoping to extend this issue past the upcoming election. It is well known that the since-discredited Enron corporation and other energy trading companies were attendees of this closed conference where future federal energy policy was reportedly discussed and proposed.

The Washington Post's article on the issue continued that federal judges in other lawsuits have ordered the Energy Department and other agencies to turn over tens of thousands of documents about the meetings. The Bush administration will eventually protect itself by claiming "executive privilege," but not before the first week of November and the end of the election cycle. The energy industry gangsterism is apparently pervasive, spreading and fueled by our energy policies handed down from secretive meetings like the Cheney Energy Task Force.

A *New York Times* article this week points out that The Williams Company admits its energy traders gave out false data on energy prices, which exacerbated, if not caused, the California energy shortages of last year. Two other corporations, American Electric Power (AEP) and Dynegy competitors, in the same business fired energy traders for feeding bogus information to energy industry publications. Dynegy and AEP have not yet responded to requests that they specify which reports by the former employees were false. (No big surprise there.) The "cowboy" attitude in energy dealings doesn't stop at our border. As we look toward a confrontation with Iraq, oil service companies are gearing up for the spoils (contracts) afterward. Who gets these profits will be partially decided on Election Day and regrettably later on Iraqi battlefields. It will be instructive to see who receives the contracts for "reconstruction of the Iraqi oil infrastructure" after those battles.

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American companies such as Halliburton, the corporation Cheney previously headed, will be lining up for their shares of the much delayed refitting of Iraqi oil fields. Halliburton, through its Brown and Root subsidiary, will also profit handsomely from its supplying of provisions to our armed forces in the region in the invasion phase of the operation.

A Deutsche Bank report in *The New York Times* states that the *contracts for the reconstruction of Iraqi oil fields and revenues to oil field service corporations will be at least $1.5 billion over two years.* Depending on the circumstances of the outcome in Iraq (war damage and who markets the oil reserves in the aftermath), the future contracts for expanded oil field exploration in Iraq will be at least $38 billion. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has signed a memorandum of understanding with many oil companies effective once sanctions are lifted. American and British oil companies have not been part of this process … so far.

Hussein favors French, Russian and Chinese companies' oil negotiations; in an astute attempt at manipulating the U.N. Security Council that may be working to slow down the resolution process. France and Russia are balking at a resolution of force and a coalition against regime change in Iraq. These proposed contracts, worth billions, have to be a part of the equation for the French and the Russians while they consider their U.N. diplomacy. Since oil is such an important resource, all major world powers must have some say in this matter or be dependent, economically and politically, to those who have access for years. We must keep in mind that we are talking about a resource that will quite possibly run out or at least become prohibitively expensive from scarcity in our lifetime.

Perhaps this is what is producing the obsession of the Bush administration and its new doctrine of "pre-emptive actions" and "American pre-eminence" in foreign policy dealings.

The U.S. doctrine openly stated and championed by National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice, Cheney, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld and Deputy Defense Secretary Paul Wolfowitz plans to use our overwhelming advantage in military power to discourage all other nations from equaling or surpassing the power of the United States … ever again. Other nations see this as the "Hertz Doctrine" or "We are No. 1 doctrine." This assertion cannot be defended because it creates the factionalism and dissent it aims to combat. *The New York Times* stated that a former National Security Council Adviser under George Bush Sr., Philip Zelikow, said the doctrine is "aggressively opaque. The policy implications of the doctrine are unclear at best."

When you go to the polls be warned that we are voting on more than candidate looks or debating ability. Our votes will be for those who would support or decry the issues in this focused commentary. As we work on our last 50 years of economically recoverable oil reserves, the energy policies we implement and the politics connected to them will decide future history. Denial of the finite nature of oil in our current energy policy is an unsustainable and an inevitably dead-end policy. Our actions matter immensely as we speak to the future from the voting booth this fall.

Former death row inmates speak at University

By Charles Mitchell
Senior Writer

Two former death row inmates addressed a packed Rooke Auditorium on Oct. 16 as part of Pennsylvania Abolitionists United Against the Death Penalty's "Voices of Innocence Tour." Each man—Ray Krone and William Nieves—told his own story of enduring long years in jail with the threat of imminent execution for a crime he did not commit.

The presentation began with an American Bar Association (ABA) film entitled "Executing Injustice," which decried the "unacceptable error rate" allegedly involved in death penalty cases. The film argued that the system "treats you better if you're rich and guilty than poor and innocent," due to racial and ethnic discrimination and a lack of adequate counsel, meaningful judicial review and fair trials.

The first speaker was Jeff Garrett of the abolitionists group. Garrett said that although he was in favor of completely doing away with capital punishment, his objective right now is an immediate moratorium on capital punishment until the issues mentioned in the ABA film are extensively studied.

Next came the main attraction, Ray Krone, the nation's 100th death row prisoner to be exonerated. Krone introduced himself as a "dead man walking" and detailed not just his wrongful conviction, but also his entire life, including his "small-town integrity." He described countless examples of what would appear to be egregious abuses in the system. The crime of which he was convicted was kidnapping, sexually assaulting and murdering a woman he had met at a bar, who was alleged to be his girlfriend, but was not.

When Krone told the police that he was not the woman's boyfriend and had no idea how she had died, he was immediately accused of lying. Upon his arrest, Krone was subjected to what he called "dehumanizing treatment" in jail.

Then, when he was charged, he was shocked to hear the public defender tell him, "You can expect to be found guilty," and that the real question was what to do once the case was on appeal. What is worse is that the public defender simply left when Krone lost his temper because of this. The replacement attorney who was appointed to represent him, he said, was paid a mere $5,000 for his services, and had only four months to prepare for the trial.

Krone charged that hair and fingerprints found at the scene of the crime did not match his, and that the only evidence that the prosecution really had was a claim that his teeth matched a bite mark found on the victim's breast. This evidence was the root of the charge of sexual assault—and, after the prosecutor had soundly beaten Krone's lawyer and Krone was convicted, it became an "aggravating factor" that motivated the judge to sentence Krone to death.

After many long years in prison, Krone's own legal research and the intervention of a kind and wealthy cousin—who got him "a real lawyer"—convinced the Arizona Supreme Court to grant him a new trial. More prosecutorial misconduct came to light in the process. The victim's pants and underwear had never been tested for DNA, despite the charge of sexual assault. When such testing occurred, it was discovered that the DNA present matched someone else—a man who could not remember what he had done on that fateful night, but eventually admitted that he had woken up the next morning with blood on his hands, for reasons he did not know. That information was leaked to a newspaper, and quicker than Krone could believe, the charges involved in his second trial were dropped and he was a free man. Yet, Krone said, "Maybe this is what God intended,"—"this" being to experience a 10-year ordeal and the challenge to fight the inequitable death penalty.

The next former inmate, William Nieves, gave a much shorter speech regarding his own six-year experience. A Hispanic, he had nonetheless been convicted of a murder that witnesses said they saw two black males commit. He was not questioned until 10 months after the murder, at which time he, of course, could not remember exactly where he was during a certain half-hour interval on that specific night. Once charged, Nieves was denied funds for an investigator, and his own lawyer refused to let him testify at his trial.

The prosecutor told the jury that they had seen all the evidence. After Nieves was convicted, it came to light that there were two other witnesses to the crime, one of whom completely exonerated him. The Pennsylvania Supreme Court eventually granted Nieves a new trial, at which he was acquitted. "I don't care if it's just one case . . .I think that's enough reason to end the death penalty," Nieves said.

The final speaker was a legislative aide to state Sen. Edward W. Helfrick, R-Pa. The aide called the Senator a "phenomenal voice" in the fight against capital punishment, justifying his opposition on religious grounds. Pointing to Krone and Nieves, he said, "There are more stories like these sitting on death row." He urged those in attendance to "fill the steps of the Capitol" at a mass demonstration planned for Oct. 23.

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Santa Claus 2 (G)
6:30, 8, 9 & 10:10
Matinees: 12:30, 1:30, 3, 4 & 5:30

The Transporter (PG-13)
8:45

Abandon (PG-13) 7 & 9:45 Matinees: 1:45 & 4:15
The Ring (PG-13) 6:40 & 9:30 Matinees: 12:45 & 3:45
I Spy 7:15 & 9:50 Matinees: 12:20, 2:45 & 5
Ghost Ship (R) 7:45 & 9:50 Matinees: 1:15, 3:30 & 5:30
Red Dragon (R) 6:30 & 9:15 Matinees: 1 & 3:45
Tuck Everlasting (PG) 7 & 9:10 Matinees: 2 & 4:45
Jackass: The Movie (R) 7:30 & 10 Matinees: 12:45, 3 & 5
Veggie Tales (G) 6:30 Matinees: 12:20, 2:30 & 4:30
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The Bucknellian Editorial

Low approval ratings for BSG show improvements needed

The Bucknellian's recent poll about the Bucknell Student Government's (BSG) approval ratings provided information about the students' reactions to student government that had not previously been available. Often, when people are presented with new information, they do not necessarily know how to interpret it. This was the case with Class of 2005 President John Siwicki, who believed *The Bucknellian's* intentions were negative. After the polling data were compiled, editors asked the class presidents to comment on the results.

In error, the editors sent an e-mail to Rich Karcher '05, believing that he was the sophomore class president. In an e-mail response, Siwicki said, "I disagree with *The Bucknellian*'s methods in collecting information, as those conducting the survey cannot even identify the class presidents and are clearly not aware of BSG affairs." The irony of Siwicki's statement is that *The Bucknellian* conducted the survey with the expressed purpose of determining whether students were able to identify BSG officers and affairs.

In fact, the only place on campus to find the names of BSG class officers is in the student mailroom (the Web site only lists the executive officers and committee chairs). Even conducting a Bucknell Web site search will not reveal the BSG officers. Therefore, it is no surprise that, on average, less than one-half of the student body knows its class officers. Based on the officers' term lengths, the variations among the classes are not too surprising. Seniors ranked the highest with 70.7 percent (Class of 2003 President Laura Day is serving her third term as class president) and juniors ranked the lowest with 22.2 percent (approximately four out of 13 junior class officers are veterans).

However, BSG is not completely at fault for these results. While it does have a responsibility to publicize its representatives and projects, it is essential for the student body to also take an active roll in BSG's affairs. Students have a responsibility to go to BSG with problems. For this very reason, BSG allows students to address Congress during meetings.

Another advantage of students attending BSG meetings is to learn the actual abilities of BSG. For example, candidates often campaign with unrealistic promises such as eliminating lines in the caf. By learning the realities of BSG, students can better select candidates to represent them.

The realities of BSG are limited by the administration. BSG President Amir Sadaghiani '03 considers Congress a consulting body, providing the administration with advice when requested. This, too, explains why BSG's approval ratings may have been low. Many activities that the student government works on are not implemented, such as installing cable in residence halls. Cable is ultimately in the hands of the administration, and students cannot see the extent of BSG's effort.

There must be a cooperative effort between the administration and students in order to increase BSG's approval ratings. By providing more power to BSG and decreasing the amount of the bureaucratic elements involved in implementation, students will no doubt have a greater respect for and be more aware of BSG on campus. In a similar fashion, if students become more active on campus and further involved with BSG, the administration will have a greater respect for BSG and be more likely to provide them with such increased power to initiate real change.

Let's start out simple: Publicize the names of the BSG class officers.

Letters to the editor

Sole point of V-Day is to stop violence

To the Editor:

In response to the letter regarding the men's monologue in Eve Ensler's "The Vagina Monologues" for the 2003 performance, I would like to clarify some points. There was a misinterpretation as to why a men's monologue was added, and I am at fault because in my excitement for the new monologue, I did not explain why V-Day Bucknell has chosen to participate. For that, I apologize to anyone who may have seen this as V-Day losing its thunder or as a retrogressive step in ending violence.

The mission of V-Day is—without any equivocations—to end violence against women and girls. Now, in considering that mission, you must examine how to go about doing so, which leads me to the point that it takes everybody. Violence against women affects everyone. The victims are our mothers, sisters, friends, girlfriends and wives. Our love and support for them is empowering. The men's monologue is a possibility for men, to express support; "The Vagina Monologues" serves as a medium.

The original script of "The Vagina Monologues" is the stories of real women. As a work of art, each person takes away from it individually. Though, I will not deny that women relate more to the play, and in the context of the V-Day Campaign, the play is generally directed to women.

I want to make it clear that criticisms from campus members in the past have no bearing on the introduction of men in the play. The men's monologue, for this year, is coincidental: who participates, how the play is performed and other logistics are regulated by directors of the V-Day Campaign. Because the play is usually reproduced at the same venues every year, it evolves to bring something fresh to its audience, and Ensler decides the methods of production for the College and Worldwide Campaigns.

There are actually two new monologues: one for men and another for women, and both (entitled "A World without Violence") are written by members of the campus community. The men's monologue will be performed by men. V-Day Bucknell has chosen only to do the men's monologue because men have expressed an interest in participating in the performance.

"The Vagina Monologues" in the past has been limiting for men, but this project allows men to use their talents as writers and speakers. So I invite the men of Bucknell—students and staff—to take a stand with V-Day Bucknell and audition on Nov. 11 and 13 at 7 p.m. in the LC Forum. No acting experience required.

Sincerely,
Valerie Lam '04
President-V-Day Bucknell

Many things can describe safety

To the Editor:

Becca Susman's article describes a fear women share and the effects it has on our lives—the fear of rape imposes self-restriction or a refusal to submit to fear. Either choice limits freedom. I say it's time to declaw the catcallers!

First Susman asks, "Is [safety] the gut instinct that tells you to run?" Yes! Learning to listen to your internal voice is the most effective self-defense skill a woman can master. That wise voice is millions of years old; its message the result of thousands of sensory input messages.

Next, "[Is safety] the statistic of how many assaults occurred wherever you are?" Yes! But statistics only give half the picture. Women must also have a clear picture of the kinds of assaults that happen and how they happen.

Is the mediated image of psychotic strangers jumping out from nowhere reality? Sometimes yes, like the brutal assault in the Lewisburg cemetery some time ago. Such assaults are horrific—but uncommon. The reason you hear so much about assaults is that the media capitalizes on sensational stories. More commonly stranger attacks begin with testing behaviors. Ted Bundy faked injuries and asked for help. Jack the Ripper approached prostitutes posing as a customer. The Boston Strangler finessed his way into victims' homes.

Even more common are assaults by acquaintances or loved ones. To develop effective safety strategies we must search beyond statistics. Who is raping? What kinds of relationships do victims have with assailants? What kinds of exchanges precede physical violence? Where do assaults happen? What sorts of defenses have been successful?

Answering these questions results in better decisions about safety and less unwarranted fear. "Nonetheless, I feel safe," Susman said. Is she naive? No! Nor does she have a false sense of security. Her awareness and precaution are commendable; the probability of being jumped is low in comparison to other scenarios.

Studies show that women who have successfully defended themselves invariably used a combination of physical, verbal and psychological strategies. Consider enrolling in a self-defense course, but ask questions first. Does the course only offer skills to defend against "jumpers," or does it also explore emotional dynamics often involved in relationships between victim and assailant? Does it offer opportunities for role-play and activities to develop skills to defend against all phases of assault? Do instructors have necessary training to relate to survivors?

Sincerely,
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Department of Athletics and Recreation Certified Instructor, Empower! Self-Defense for Women Kicks Martial Arts for Women

University must maintain accountability

To the Editor:

The decision to nullify Bucknell Student Government (BSG) funding of the Conservatives Club's speaker, Thor Halvorssen of the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education (FIRE), is an unfortunate and discreditable violation of basic principles of academic freedom and civil liberties. I hope the BSG will stand its ground and seek to attain the funding, albeit now post facto.

The Bucknellian article ("Administration does not approve speaker," Oct. 11) stated that the decision was recommended by the University's General Counsel Wayne Bromfield and approved by the "president's staff." Without further definition of the latter, which might be taken as a passing of the buck, although the article quoted Dean of Students Richard Ferraro in defense of the administration's decision. I hope *The Bucknellian* may report more specifics about the decision-making process to assist the University community in maintaining accountability in the exercise of power and authority in so important a matter as this.

The administration decision, if it is as explained in the report, seems typical of a use of bureaucratic gobbledygook to suppress freedom of speech, assembly and basic student rights, on the part of insufficiently thoughtful, overly career-centered and irresponsibility ephemeral administrators.

As a left-winger, as a member of the University community and as a citizen, I want to express my solidarity in this matter with BSG and with the Conservatives Club. However much I may strongly disagree with views of the club's members, in defense of freedom of speech, assembly and basic principles of academic freedom, I hope that-all of us in the University community who hold dear these principles will speak up similarly.

Sincerely,
Martin Sklar
Professor, Department of History

Some just don't think about race

To the Editor:

Having been surrounded by numerous conversations on campus regarding issues of race, we have been wrestling with how to respond. We're guilty of not understanding the full extent of race issues; so when we say something, we risk offending black students because of our ignorance. We must say something, because white students need to understand the significance of race.

We are realizing that race issues run deeper than they seem; the current situation is actually a flare-up of a chronic problem. As white students, we don't have to think about race. At the University, most people look like us—in our classes, where we live, in the administration. People don't question why we were accepted to the University. We aren't identified or categorized by our race. These things make it safe and comfortable for us to be here; for white people, race doesn't have to be an issue.

At the University, black students have to live with the race issue every day. In almost every class, there is at most one black student. When groups are chosen for group projects, the black student is often the last one chosen, and he or she feels unwanted. When black students speak, they feel the pressure of having to represent their whole race. Often, they are questioned why they attend the University; the assumption is that they are athletes or that they fill a quota. Our campus is unwelcoming and uncomfortable for black students; in fact, most hate all four years here.

Obviously, the two experiences outlined above are very different. We are all part of the University; we are all part of the problem. Fear keeps the problem in place. White students hesitate to respond to race issues because they fear conflict and change. Black students are hurting; trusting those who have hurt you is hard, even those who claim to care.

This problem is painful, and it seems impossible to resolve. It's easier to ignore it than to deal with it. But, God cares a lot about race. We are all made in his image: each person reveals part of God's character. Because of this, the four of us are choosing to recognize our responsibility in understanding the importance of race.

We are hoping that white students will realize there is a problem and then try to understand what it means to be black at the University.

God is the source of hope in this.

Sincerely,
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Opinions

Is socialized health care more effective?

Yes

By Kevin Brown
Staff Writer

Do not fall prey to the illusion that our nation's current health care system works. It does not. Today, under the free market system, one in seven Americans does not have health insurance, and of those, 11.1 million are children.

More than twice as much money is spent by citizens/employers on health care than the government spends on the defense budget. Put another way, 13.5 percent of the Gross National Product (GNP) is from health care, a number that was as low as 6 percent in the 1960s. In comparison to other developed nations, we are also at the high end of the spectrum. In Canada the number is 8 percent and the United Kingdom and Japan only spend 6 percent of the GNP.

But wait, there's more!

You may be saying to yourself that our high premiums, ever shrinking coverage and billions of dollars sunk into health care is at least making us a healthier nation. Unfortunately, this is not the case. The United States ranks 19th in male life expectancy, and our infant mortality rate is the highest among industrialized nations.

So where does all this money go if it is not improving our collective health? The answer is bureaucracy.

The free market system for health care that we currently use is extremely inefficient and requires many different providers and patients to pay in combination for care, which creates enormous amounts of paperwork and costs time for physicians.

Additionally, we are forced to pay more because the providing insurers are trying to make a profit. The roughly 1,500 health insurers in the United States currently consume about eight percent of all their revenue for overhead. Compared with the Medicare program for senior citizens or the Canadian National Health program, each of which use only 2-3 percent of revenue for overhead, we are not getting a good deal.

Our current health insurance system is incapable of meeting our needs. What is needed is a new national health program that will replace our bulky and inefficient free market system and makes sure that every American is covered.

Attempting to tweak the old system will not work and will only create new problems. It can never guarantee that in one of the world's wealthiest nations, everyone will have health care.

Possibly the best scenario for a national health care system was proposed in the U.S. House of Representatives by Rep. Marty Russo, D-Ill., in 1991. Under Russo's bill, which draws heavily from the Canadian system, there is a single payer (the U.S. government) for all costs in regard to health, including long-term and catastrophic injury care.

This system would equally cover all Americans regardless of employment status. Employers would then not have to pay for insurance for its employees; they would increase its salaries to reflect that difference in benefits. This increase in wages would be neutralized by an increase in taxes to afford the whole system.

Granted, this is not the forum for hammering out small details of how to make this new system work. Once in place, there will be a framework from which people can be sure of getting quality care instead of relying on the exclusive, antiquated, unorganized and inefficient behemoth that we live with today.

No

By Aaron Hanlon
Staff Writer

While the ideal of socialized health care appears on the surface to be an attractive alternative to the more privatized U.S. system, it remains just that—an ideal concept whose apparent luster becomes increasingly tarnished as we look more closely at its ideology and effects. Both the rationale behind socialized health care and the empirical evidence of its lackluster record are essential for our assessment.

Health care is certainly different from traditional commodities in that it directly affects the quality of our lives. That being said, we cannot necessarily equate buying health care with purchasing a new car or stereo. It is essential for society to have some kinds of charitable endeavors (non-profit health clinics, church-based health care charities, etc.) that aid those who cannot afford health care. On top of these, limited government health care programs such as Medicare and Medicaid are public goods that help the elderly and poor obtain health care services. Though good health is indeed a public good, we must not take this to an extreme and neglect the rights of physicians and other health care professionals to market their skills and services.

In addition to this, there are many who are able to pay higher, market-set rates for health care. These people should not be deprived of their right to seek higher quality care if they can afford it. Ideologically, socialized health care embodies the socialist notion that personal earnings and individual rights are meaningless in comparison to the ultimate goal of equal distribution of wealth. Opposing this doctrine as it relates to health care does not mean equating the value of health care with that of less important commodities, but rather recognizing that providing basic health care for everyone in the form of Medicare and Medicaid should be the government's first and last step toward achieving the public good of good health.

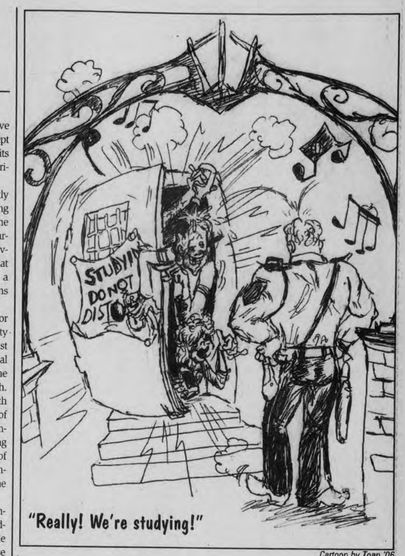
Thereafter, health care becomes more of a commodity (though not entirely) by virtue of the individual rights of the professionals who possess valuable service capabilities and the individual rights of those who have the means to attain those services. Though it may seem cold or unfeeling to suggest that government guaranteed health care is only to an extent a public good, this is a virtually irrelevant argument in light of evidence of socialized health care's failure to perform adequately and provide its purported benefits. Much like the Soviet experiment in communism, the socialized health care beacons of Canada and Sweden are recently finding that public health care is inferior to its privatized counterpart.

According to a recent study by the Fraser Institute, a public policy think tank based in Vancouver, Canada ranks near the bottom of states that have socialized health care, in spite of its $64 billion yearly health care expenditures that make it the world's highest-ranked country in per capita health care spending. The Canadian system, which forbids any form of private care or payment for core health care services, has 1.8 doctors for every 1,000 citizens.

Such inadequacies have lead Canadian officials to consider privatization because of the gross inefficiency and seemingly endless waiting lists for the most basic of medical services. Similarly, Swedish socialists are pushing for privatization. Nearly 10 years ago, the Greater Council (a regional governing body) of Stockholm sparked Sweden's lagging health care system by adding aspects of privatization.

The Greater Council sold one of Stockholm's largest hospitals, St. George, to a private company. Within the privatized hospital's first year of operation, it outperformed other leading government-owned hospitals in efficiency by 10-15 percent. This example encouraged Swedish socialists to advocate and implement even more reforms. Citing inefficiency and inadequate service, the world's most prominent paradigms of socialized health care have been retreating to the safe haven of privatization for the last decade. As privatized health care sectors continue to outperform socialized sectors, the movement away from public care seems to be a healthy decision.

Locking Horns



"Really! We're studying!"

Cartoon by Toan '06

Vivisection should not be a requirement

By Josh Fisher
Opinions Editor

Somewhere between four and five billion animals are raised every year for sole purpose of being slaughtered to feed Americans. Millions more each year fall victim to educational experiments such as dissection, or are caged up for the entire span of their lives, only to suffer the pain of vivisection before death.

A bachelor of science (B.S.) in animal behavior at the University requires that a student take a specific set of classes, one of which requires vivisection, the cutting of live tissue of a hamster and placing staples in its head—the hamster is then killed in the physiology lab.

I am very proud to say that a friend of mine refused to do the vivisection out of strictly moral and ethical reasons. But as the animal behavior department said, her "option" was to get the bachelor of arts (B.A.) degree—it flat out refused to work with her on this.

Was this process of vivisection so fundamental to her education or her degree? She didn't think so, and so she graduated with a B.A., refusing to sacrifice her morals for the difference.

Her resolve, in my opinion, evidences a deeper understanding of the true nature of animals than anyone I know. Fundamentally, she understands that an animal's life is of greater value than any small amount of knowledge obtained in a vivisection experiment.

We typically justify the crimes enacted against animals because these are "inferior" life forms—dogs and cats cannot do calculus, for example, while pigs and cows cannot enjoy poetry. Regardless of this intellectual inferiority, nonhuman animals are more than the property of humans, and nonhuman animals have more value than their utility to us. They are psychological beings with an experiential welfare of their own.

We typically justify the crimes enacted against animals because these are "inferior" life forms–dogs cannot do calculus while pigs cannot enjoy poetry.

But we are convinced of our own exceptionality—animals are at the disposal of mankind, the soulless property of humans, and we lend little more worth to these sentient creatures than to the rocks or the dirt upon which we build our houses and roads.

Indeed, for all the rights and intrinsic values humanity endows itself with, must this include the right to decide life and death of conscious and feeling nonhuman animals? Is mankind the absolute pinnacle, the end product, the finality, the climax of the cosmic drama of all creation?

Not for all of us.

If this is not the case, then you must question what is "humanity" and distinguish between what is "human" and what is "animal." As a matter of biological continuity, are we not animals ourselves?

If there were no fundamental distinction between animals and humans, then there would certainly be no justification for humanity subjugating animals, keeping them in dark, unpadded cages or brutally slaughtering them. There would be no moral justification for the commerce that exists in selling flesh or for the sport in killing weaker beings—this sort of human behavior would be demoralized by our own hand because it would be like killing another living, breathing human being.

Of course not everyone believes in animal rights, but the fact remains that there are those of us who believe whole-heartedly that the same set of fundamental moral principles that govern our interactions with human animals should also govern our interactions with nonhuman animals.

The animals that are raised, chained so they cannot even move out of their own filth; the animals that are killed, cut open in vivisection experiments or dissected in the name of science; and the ones that are hunted, trapped and exploited in innumerable, unspeakable ways have lives of their own that are of importance to them, apart from their utility to us.

They not only exist in this world, but they are well aware of it; what happens to them matters to them. Each has a life that fares better or worse for the animal whose life it is, a life with biological, individual and social needs, whether these needs are a source of pleasure or a source of pain.

Although it is true that there are those who believe in vivisection as a "necessary evil" of higher education and of science, for those who do not, the University should realize that an ethical objection is indeed a legitimate objection—that the act of vivisection for a someone who is morally opposed to the practice would only come at the expense of that person's human character.

Houseparty should be held in warmer months

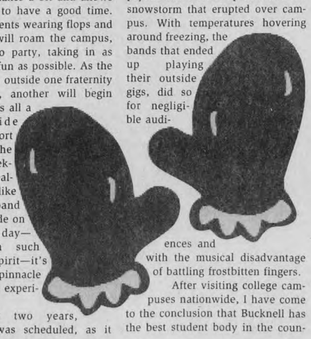
Weekend festivities would be more enjoyable if held at end of spring semester

By Tom Elliott
Senior Writer

Our university and many others like it have a special weekend dedicated to celebrating the return of warm weather each year. For us, Houseparty Weekend has traditionally been held during the latter April days, closely preluding the finals period. As of late, the Calendar Planning Committee has improperly placed it during the cold, winter months. For the sake of the student body, this situation should be returned back to normal.

No other weekend in the spring so directly affects such a large proportion of students, which is all the reason needed for it to be scheduled when it's best suited ... Planning Houseparty right before the end of the semester would indicate that the administration does indeed consider the students' interests when making policy decisions.

Thoughts of Houseparty conjure images of students happily celebrating the one weekend where the University relaxes a bit and allows the students to have a good time. Carefree students wearing flops and a Hawaiian will roam the campus, from party to party, taking in as much of the fun as possible. As the band playing outside one fraternity winds down, another will begin next door. It's all a student-wide collective effort to create the ultimate weekend. There really is nothing like a good band playing outside on a sunny day—everyone in such high spirit—it's arguably the pinnacle college social experience.



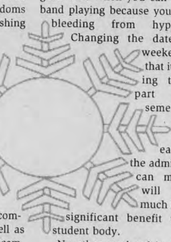
The last two years, Houseparty was scheduled, as it tentatively is right now, for the last weekend in March. Instead of open-toed shoes and T-shirts, people were bundled up in moon boots and wool coats, as they literally had to psyche themselves up to brave the snowstorm that erupted over campus. With temperatures hovering around freezing, the bands that ended up playing their outside gigs, did so for negligible audiences and with the musical disadvantage of battling frostbitten fingers.

After visiting college campuses nationwide, I have come to the conclusion that Bucknell has the best student body in the country. It's unfortunate this isn't a category in the *Princeton Review* rankings, because I honestly think we would win. Nowhere else have I seen such a dense collection of cool and interesting kids. Even our dorks and geeks are far cooler than the dorks and geeks on other campuses. This is why even in the face of so much undue administrative wrangling with students, Bucknellians still have such a good collegiate experience.

Most agree the administration treats the students a little too much parents would their young kids. Rules and regulations restrict freedoms on campus to an astonishing degree—all for the stated goal of student safety and happiness. The Community Judicial Board has interpreted the Student Code of Conduct to include a right to not be offended (although Dean of Students Richard Ferraro had no problems with comparing me to Larry Flynt as well as calling me a bad person over a campus-wide e-mail). Our First, Second and Fifth Amendment rights are all abridged. The list of things we aren't allowed to do is too long to get into.

The school literally rakes in around $100,000 in student fines every year. They will profit off of our digressions while imposing ever newer policies supposedly intended to combat them. Not only did visiting students have to pay to attend Houseparty, but Bucknellians did as well. Of all the thousands collected from this, those responsible for holding the events received no financial assistance. Instead, they were all subsequently fined thousands of dollars directly after the weekend (except for the ones that were on probation and not allowed to have parties), for things like their yards not being cleaned on time.

The point is: students are treated like rebellious 15-year-olds, instead of the legal adults we are. Houseparty is the weekend where the administration says, "OK, we are going to chill out for one weekend, so have a good time." But it's difficult to have a good time when you can't hear the band playing because your ears are bleeding from hypothermia. Changing the date of this weekend so that it falls during the latter part of the semester is a very small, easy move the administration can make that will have a much larger and significant benefit upon the student body.



No other weekend in the spring so directly affects such a large proportion of students, which is all the reason needed for it to be scheduled when it's best suited. Similarly, no other spring weekend is so dependent on nice weather as Houseparty is. Planning Houseparty right before the end of the semester would indicate that the administration does indeed consider the students' interests when making policy decisions.

Arts & Entertainment

SASA dinner a huge success

Eric Grahm—The Bucknellian

A student performs during the ribbon dance. The dance was part of the SASA dinner, which also featured traditional South Asian food.

By Kristi Johnston
Arts and Entertainment Editor

The South Asian Student Association (SASA) is a campus organization that prides itself on teaching, advancing and celebrating the cultures and traditions of the various countries in South Asia. In pursuit of this goal, it annually holds a Diwali dinner, recognizing the festival of lights that is celebrated throughout South Asia. This year's dinner was held last Saturday in Larison Dining Hall.

The event kicked off with an introduction by SASA Co-Presidents Yamini Laks '03 and Nikhil Menon '03. They introduced the club's officers and explained the meaning behind the Diwali holiday.

"The first day [of Diwali] is a celebration of the triumph of good over evil," Menon said. "Rows of lamps are usually lit up in all public places, the home and temples. The second day, prayers are continued, and during the day drums are played to get rid of the bad spirits. On the third day, family members gather and the brothers give gifts to their sisters, while the sisters prepare dinner for their brothers."

The dinner, catered by the Indian Pavilion restaurant in State College, Pa., featured many traditional South Asian foods, including vegetable pakoras, chicken Tandoori, basmati rice, Murgh Makhani and Gulab Jamun.

SASA members also provided entertainment before and after the meal. Female SASA members performed a traditional ribbon dance choreographed by Nisha Dheer '04 and Pryia Gupta '06, as well as an Indian dance choreographed by Laks.

"Our dancers were fantastic," Laks said. "They always came to practices ready to work hard, which payed off in the end."

The evening concluded with another dance choreographed by Laks, featuring both male and female performers. The final dance was so well-received that the audience demanded an encore.

"Of the four years that I have attended the SASA Diwali Dinner, this year stands out above the rest," Perry Ratcliffe '03 said. "The service was improved, the decorations were lovely and the entertainment was excellent. This event is a great opportunity to experience a piece of another culture."

SASA members and organizers were also pleased with the turnout of this year's dinner.

"This year we put on fewer dances, reduced the number of seats and added an extra buffet line," Laks said. "The dinner was so successful because of our excellent executive staff and [SASA] members. We even had some SASA alumni helping out for the dinner. The decorating crew came as early as 8 a.m. to start the setup."

Play to depict self-reliant women

"Fefu and her Friends," a play about the struggles of women, opens today

By Melinda Kummer
Senior Writer

In a world often dedicated to portraying the struggle of man, eight women will bring the struggle of woman to the stage of Tustin Studio in a display of theatrical talent and artistry.

Directed by Professor of Theater Gary Grant, "Fefu and Her Friends" showcases a group of women that has gathered at Fefu's house to discuss its volunteer social work during the heart of the Great Depression.

"Their deep emotional experiences resonate with the anxieties that plague times like our own—fraught with uncertainty," Grant said. "Chronicling the dreams, aspirations and frustrations of these intelligent and self-reliant women, 'Fefu and Her Friends' also explores freedom of expression and the forces that cripple this freedom."

Playwright Maria Irene Fornes is a veteran of more than 40 years and has steadfastly refused to compromise her point of view to please popular audiences that may be unaccustomed to seeing women at the center of the dramatic situation.

"Some audience members will be challenged by this perspective, while others will welcome Fornes' candor and wisdom," Grant said.

The set is also unique and striking.

"Rather than a mere setting, the environment for the dramatic action envisions a wider notion of space, more like a landscape that includes the audience and the entire theater building," Grant said. "As you hear the sound spill from the different rooms, you may realize that the simultaneous events you experience correspond with the characters' own experiences. The audience becomes a part of the theatrical landscape."

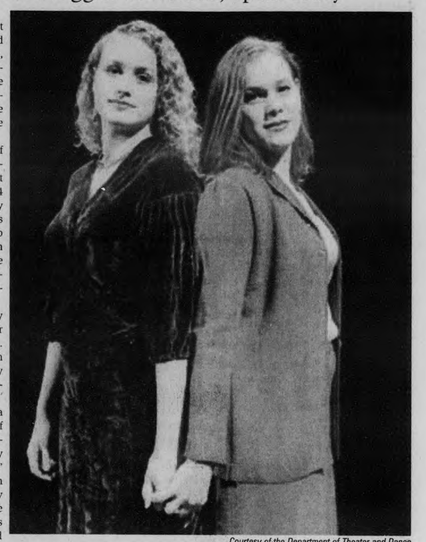
"The unique staging of 'Fefu' provides a one-of-a-kind theater experience," cast member Rachel Slotcavage '04 said. "The audience actually moves throughout Fefu's house, allowing them to become more connected with the acting space and the actors' movements and motivations for a clearer understanding of the show."

"It's less a presentation by the actors," cast member Hollie Barattolo '04 said. "Rather, it is a situation in which the audience physically enters the lives of the characters and is allowed to watch."

"Fornes, trained as a painter, developed a kind of magical realism in her playwriting that narrates the story on several levels at once," Grant said. "Our interpretation of the play offers a highly imagistic theater to help the audience experience this magic, and set designer David Fillmore, lighting designers Ben Farrar and Jon Hoyle '04 and costume designers Paula Davis-Larson and Kim Salsbury have realized these levels in stunningly beautiful visuals."

"Fefu and Her Friends" promises to be both intellectually and aesthetically stimulating. The presentation of ideological feminism coupled with the intense relationship between the audience and the cast is certainly a fascinating prospect.

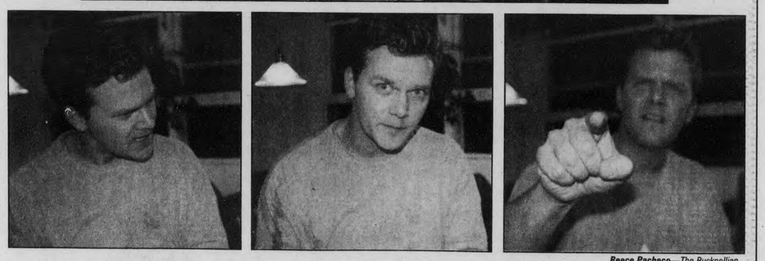
"Fefu and Her Friends" will run Nov. 1-4 at 8 p.m. Tickets are available at the Weis Center Box Office or at the Langone Center Box Office.



Courtesy of the Department of Theater and Dance

Ehren Jennings '05 (left) and Bekah Clark '04 act in "Fefu and her Friends." The play opens on Nov. 1 at the Tustin Theatre.

Second contest in Slam series hits Bucknell



Reece Pacheco—The Bucknellian

Taylor Mali, a regular at the Bowery Poetry Club in New York City. and a four-time national Slam champion, headlined last Friday's Poetry Slam. Phil Martoma '05 and Josh Fisher '04 won the competition, with Jeremy Brown '03 coming in second. Martoma and Liz Grasing '05 had the highest two scores of the night.

String quartet uses unique strategy

By Kang Tchou
Senior Writer

This past Friday the Marian Anderson String Quartet performed the music of Franz Joseph Haydn, Coleridge Taylor Perkinson and Felix Mendelssohn during its concert at the Weis Center. The concert started in a humorous tone with Haydn's String Quartet in E flat major, Op. 33, No. 2. This piece is nicknamed "The Joke" because the composer pokes fun at the amateur performer, the audience and the string quartet format in general. The audience enjoyed this lighthearted start to the evening with rounds of muted laughter.

This beginning was in character with the quartet and its unique style and identity. The Marian Anderson String Quartet holds the distinction of being the first black ensemble in history to win a classical music competition. In keeping with its commitment to provide education in classical music, its performance followed an informal format that made classical music more approachable for the general audience.

Before each piece, a member of the quartet gave a mini-lecture describing the peculiarities of the work. Members of the audience thought this format helped them to understand the music performed during the concert.

"I liked the way the members of the quartet explained their instruments and roles in the quartet, as well as each of the pieces they played," Elena Gregorio '05 said. "Many professional ensembles maintain a great distance from the audience, but this quartet really made an effort to communicate with the crowd."

To prepare the audience for its next piece, the string quartet turned into a vocal quartet to help the audience better appreciate the piece. Violist Diedra Lawrence led the quartet and gave a vocal performance of the original "Calvary."

Returning to its instruments, the quartet then performed Perkinson's Quartet No. 1, based on the "Calvary." The audience enjoyed this 20th century piece because it represented the direction of modern classical compositions.

"I have to say that my favorite one was Perkinson's Quartet No. 1 because his work is a fresh breakout from the other two pieces," Aniela Rahardja '06 said.

The final piece of the evening was Mendelssohn's Quartet in D major, Op. 44, No. 1. The Quartet in D major was an apt representation of the beauty and mastery of composition that is characteristic of Mendelssohn, who began to compose chamber music at the age of 10.. As with the other pieces, members of the quartet also explained the piece in detail, which made the music more approachable for members of the audience who were less familiar with classical music.

Members of the University community enjoyed the unique perspective of this black string quartet and appreciated the music selection.

"[The quartet was] certainly the first African-American ensemble I encountered," Rahardja said. "Hence, it was interesting and refreshing to see it ... it brings a different diversity of music choice than a European ensemble would bring."

Other members also expressed gratitude to the Weis Center for its effort in bringing more diverse performers onto campus.

"I like the fact that the Weis Center brings diverse ensembles to Bucknell which appeal to a wider group of students and other members of the community," Gregorio said.

Campus Theatre hosts film produced by University alumnus

By Julianna Pietak
Senior Writer

This past weekend, Lewisburg's Campus Theatre hosted a film significant not only for its acclaim, but for its link to the University community as well. "Bobby G. Can't Swim" is a street drama set in the Hell's Kitchen area of New York City. It artfully yet suspensefully deals with issues of fate and redemption. More significantly, it paints a vivid portrait of the harsh reality its characters face each day.

Bobby G. is a small-time drug dealer in New York who takes a chance with a larger client. When this deal goes awry, he is made to face the consequences. The sequence of events that follows leads to murder, repentance and, ultimately, Bobby G.'s death.

The realistic presentation of these events gives the film a gripping and edgy mood, setting it apart from typical film genres.

"I simply call 'Bobby G.' a street movie. I think that gives an idea of what it's about. Yeah, it's kind of film noir, it's kind of comedy, it's kind of a gangster flick, but in my mind street comedy can encompass all of those," Writer-Director John-Luke Montias said on the film's Web site (www.bobbygcantswim.com).

Perhaps it is these elements that have combined to win the film high praise within the independent film world. It won the Grand Jury Award at the 2000 Florida Film Festival and its director took the Best Director and New Direction awards at the Los Angeles Film Festival in 1999.

What possibly means more to the University is its connection to campus. Chris Matonti, the film's executive producer, is a University graduate. Matonti previously produced "Loose Women" and "Wedding Band." He also established Matonti Films in the Tribeca Film Center and has just recently launched the Gabriel Film Group.

Berlin quartet to instruct and perform

Pianist and 1997 Van Cliburn International Competition Gold Medalist Jon Nakamatsu will work with University piano students beginning at 11:30 a.m. today. The master class is open to the public and will be held in the Natalie Davis Rooke Recital Hall of the Sigfried Weis Music Building.

At 10 a.m. this morning the Berlin Philharmonic Wind Quintet will be performing an informal concert for over 900 people at an all-school assembly in the Milton Area High School. Tonight, Nakamatsu joins with the quintet for a Weis Center Series Performance featuring Mozart's Quintet for Piano and Winds in E flat major; Hindemith's Kleine Kammermusik; Barber's Summer Music; Ligeti's Six Bagatelles and Poulenc's Sextet for Piano and Winds. Information and tickets are available from the Campus Box Office or by calling extension 7-1000.

—Courtesy of the Weis Center

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Men's water polo places 8th at ECAC championships

By Jon Riskin
Writer

Bucknell faced its fifth-straight ranked opponent on Sunday, Oct. 27, losing 8-5 to Division III 2nd-ranked Johns Hopkins and taking 8th place at the ECAC Championship. Faced with an unrelenting schedule and an ever increasing amount of injuries, the Bison have a record of 8-15 through late October, including a 3-5 conference record.

In two months of play, the Bison have battled it out in the pool with 10 ranked opponents, including West Coast powerhouse 6th-ranked Long Beach State and Eastern rival 9th-ranked Navy. They have played several ranked teams two or three times, improving with each game despite the look of their overall record. To complicate the schedule further, the team plays most of its games away, traveling to California and Maryland for tournaments.

Leading the team are senior captains Daniel Lonnerdal, Chris Saxton and Adam Yerkes. In addition to Lonnerdal and Saxton, the starting seven is rounded out with Jamie Saettele '04, Elliot Benoist '05, James Danforth '05 and Bradley Roslyn '06 and goalkeeper Ernest Martin '05.

With all the adversity we have faced with guys leaving the team and injuries, the captains have really kept us focused on what we need to do to compete."
—James Danforth '05

Danforth, the team leader in steals with 49, was positive about the efforts of the older players.

"With all the adversity we have faced with guys leaving the team and injuries, the captains have really kept us focused on what we need to do to compete," Danforth said.

Saettele leads the team in scoring with 40 goals in 20 games played, but recently sprained his foot severely and is uncertain whether or not he will play for the remainder of the season. Other key injuries include Martin's problematic thumb and utility man Benoist's broken finger. With three starters injured, the Bison still approach this weekend's Southern Division Championships with optimism.

When asked about the injuries, Head Coach John Zeigler commented on the situation's effect on the Bison's upcoming tournament.

"The injuries have provided the opportunity for other players to step into roles. I feel that this has happened defensively, but we hope that they can step into the scoring and overall offensive game plan more," Zeigler said.

One player who will be vital to the success of the Bison is Roslyn, who scored three goals this past weekend in the Hopkins game. With Saettele possibly unavailable for the championships in Princeton, the Bison will need Roslyn and other underclassmen to step up their play and fulfill the team's scoring needs. Lonnerdal, a more defensive player in his previous three seasons, has also risen to the challenge and is currently second in Bison scoring.

If the Blue and Orange can succeed this weekend, they will advance to the Eastern Division Championships held at Brown from Nov. 16-17. Bucknell is seeded 4th in the Southern Division Championships and will face 6th seeded Washington and Jefferson next when they clash on Nov. 1 at 7:10 p.m. They will also meet 9th-seeded Slippery Rock the same day, and Zeigler feels that victories in these two matchups would propel the Bison to the Eastern Championships and give them the opportunity to earn an NCAA birth.

Women's soccer falls 2-1 to American

By Dave Cohen
Senior Writer

The Bucknell women's soccer team dropped another league game on Oct. 26 to American by the score of 2-1. Things appeared promising for the Bison after they responded to a 1-0 deficit with an Annie Greenspun '05 goal at 10:15, which was aided by Emily Keber '03.

American found the net again in the first half during the 38th minute. Greenspun talked about the importance of the team's equalizing goal.

"We were glad to score quickly and tie the game back up after American scored the first goal," Greenspun said. "It was important for us not to let that first goal by American get us out of our game. Keber gave me a perfect ball and it was a great feeling for us to see the ball in the back of the net. Although we have been having a hard time scoring lately, I feel like everyone on our team has the ability to score. I was just glad to be in the right place at the right time."

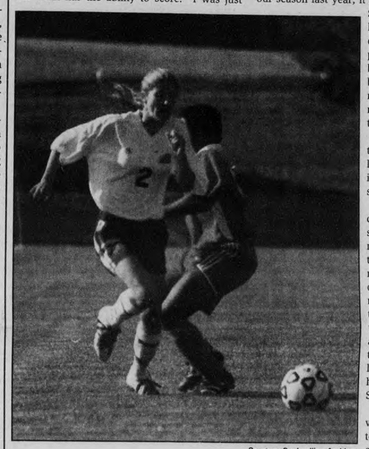
Keber believes that the only realistic goal left to play for this season is dignity.

"We have two games left, both of which we will just have to go out and play for pride and leave everything we have on the field," Keber said. "I think everyone is frustrated with how the season played out and upset because we do not get to go to the tournament."

Surprisingly, the second American goal was ultimately the winning one, as neither team scored in the second half. Laurie Purse '03 saved six shots on the day for the Orange and Blue.

Abbey Seaboyer '04 expressed the team's overall disappointment in being eliminated from Patriot League tournament contention.

"Personally, I was really upset about the game yesterday," Seaboyer said. "The seniors are some of my best friends and it's hard to imagine playing without them. Especially after our season last year, it's been a tough season," Seaboyer said. "The loss to American was definitely very disappointing, not only because it's hard to lose but because losing meant that we would not make it back to the tournament this year."



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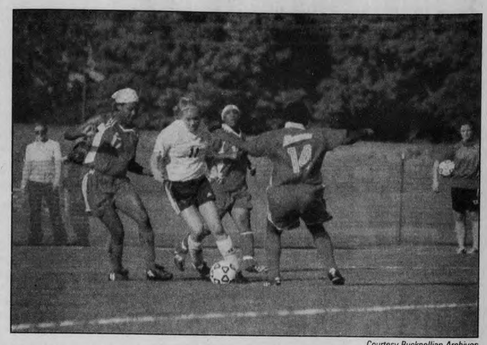
Midfielder Margaret Emmitt '06 helped control the pace of the game against American.

She also admitted that it will not be easy to let the seniors go following the season's conclusion.

"The loss was especially hard for the seniors and was also really tough for most of the team because it meant that we would only have the opportunity to play together for two more games, and that we wouldn't be able to go out and make the statement in the league that we had hoped to make, Seaboyer said.

"I still believe that we have a really great team this year. We just couldn't get it done when it came down to it."



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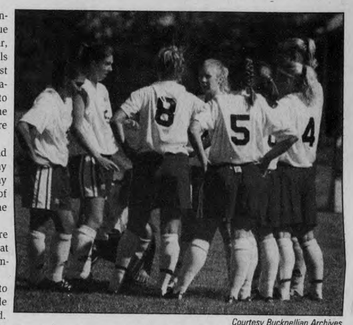
Alison Cooper '05 has been an important part of the Bison offense throughout the season.

Although the team cannot reach the Patriot League tournament again this year, the Bison still have goals that they feel they must accomplish before the season's end. According to Keber, having a good time and remaining positive are key.

"I must play hard and have fun on the field in my last two games, walk away with the good memories of my four years and forget the bad," Keber said.

Seaboyer spoke more technically, conveying what the defense needs to accomplish from here on out.

"Defensively we need to try and play the ball wide and to feet," Seaboyer said. "The past several games we've been playing with a double stopper, which has actually made us more successful offensively. Other than that we need to do everything possible defensively to keep the lead when we score, because we haven't had as many goals as we would have liked this year."



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The team is disappointed over being eliminated from the Patriot League tournament this year.

Bucknell fell to 6-7-1 overall and 1-4-1 in the Patriot League following the loss.

On their way to the playoffs

After a 1-0 win over Mount Saint Mary's the Bison have increased their unbeaten home record to 5-0-1

By Tara Utchel
Senior Writer

The men's soccer team finished the past week of soccer with a loss and a win. On Sunday, Oct. 19, the Bison dropped a 1-0 decision over the Lehigh Mountain Hawks. A week later the team retaliated with a 1-0 win over visiting Mount Saint Mary's College, increasing their unbeaten record at home to 5-0-1. With the season nearing a close, the Orange and Blue continue to fight for a spot in the playoffs.

While most of the Bucknell students were resting over fall break, the men's soccer team was hard at work. The team traveled to Bethlehem, Pa., in search of a Patriot League win, but unfortunately came home with the opposite. The Orange and Blue fought hard against the No. 17 team in the nation. The Bison's defense held the Mountain Hawks off for 84 minutes. Unfortunately, luck was not on their side, when a shot was deflected over keeper first-year student Adam Edwards' head with 6 minutes remaining in the match.

The men did not let the devastating loss affect their play against visiting Mount Saint Mary's. The Bison scored early in the game off of a Jon Hemmert '05 corner kick. Hemmert drove the ball to the penalty kick area, which was partially cleared by the Mount's defense. Mike Lookingland '05 found the rebound and shot the ball on net. Chris Beekman '04 redirected the shot to score his third goal of the season and the game-winning goal.

Mount Saint Mary's put intense pressure on the Bison's defense with 14 shots to Bucknell's 13. Adams and his defensive stood strong and earned the shutout and the win for their team. The victory over Mount Saint Mary's brought the Bison to 11 wins in a regular season for only the fifth time in the program's history.

Bucknell, as of the Mount Saint Mary's game, holds a record of 11-3-1. The Orange and Blue have accomplished a few great feats over the course of the season. They won the Bulls Fall Classic back in early September. The team beat Pittsburgh University—the No. 18 team in the country. A few individuals have put pressure on

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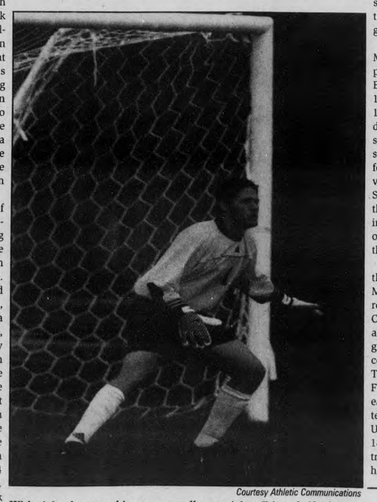

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With eight shutouts this season, goalkeeper Adam Edwards '06 has been a vital part to the Bison defense throughout the year.

Bison drop two P.L. heartbreakers

Courtesy Athletic Communications

Albert Marquardt '04 came up big for the Bison in the game against Georgetown. Marquardt caught five passes for 117 yards in the game.

By Corey Nadler
Senior Writer

After a bye week, the Bucknell football team lost two straight Patriot League games to make its record 2-5 overall and 0-3 in the Patriot League. The Bison fell short in a late comeback attempt against Towson University, and lost 20-14 on Saturday, Oct. 19 in Towson, Md. The Bison then gave up a fourth quarter lead to Georgetown University, losing a heartbreaker 32-31 on Saturday, Oct. 26 in Washington, D.C.

The Bison jumped out to an early lead against Towson. Following an interception by defensive lineman Gary Carruthers '03, the Bison took over at the Towson 46-yard line with 4 minutes, 31 seconds remaining in the first quarter. Blamah Sarnor '06 followed up two big runs of his own, one for 15 yards and another for 21 yards, with a 1-yard touchdown run to give the Bison a 7-0 lead.

Both defenses dominated for most of the rest of the first half. With 55 sec-

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Bison lose momentum

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Bison lose two straight Patriot League games.

onds remaining in the first half the Tigers started a drive at the Bucknell 45-yard line. The five-play touchdown drive was capped off by a 29-yard touchdown pass to tie the score at 7 at halftime.

The momentum continued to turn against the Bison as the second half got underway. On the first play from scrimmage on Bucknell's second possession of the half, quarterback Todd Wenrich '03 was picked off, and the Tigers returned the ball 29 yards for the touchdown, and a 14-7 lead. On the first play of their next possession, the Tigers put the game further out of reach for the Bison, after a 44-yard touchdown pass made the score 20-7. Towson missed the extra point attempt following an unsportsmanlike conduct penalty after the touchdown.

The Bison made a valiant effort at a comeback in the fourth quarter. After Wenrich went down with a recurring shoulder injury, Cole Ciesnolevicz '05 led the Bison down the field and capped off the 14-play, 78-yard scoring drive with an 11-yard touchdown pass to Jim Horan '04. The Bison trailed 20-14 with 2:44 remaining in the game, but did not get the ball back in time to mount another comeback attempt, and the final score remained 20-14 Towson.

The only times that the Tigers were able to score was on the big plays. They did not score on a play of less than 29 yards.

"Basically, you can't allow a team to have the big plays," Head Coach Dave Kotulski said.

Bucknell went into the Georgetown game trying to keep the losing streak to two games, and looked like it was on the right track from the get-go. After receiving the opening kickoff, Ciesnolevicz connected with Albert Marquardt '04 on a 43-yard pass on the first play of the game. Three plays later, Samor ran the ball in from 5 yards out for the touchdown to give the Bison a 7-0 lead.

On the first play of the second quarter, Georgetown fumbled a Bucknell punt, and the Bison recovered the ball at the Hoya 24-yard line. The Bison could not capitalize on their good field position, and had to settle for a field goal, which kicker Chris Lundberg '03 knocked through the uprights from 29 yards out.

The Bison tacked on another touchdown on their next possession. Ciesnolevicz ran the ball in from 3 yards out to cap off a 10-play, 70-yard scoring drive, which made the score 17-0 in favor of the Bison. Bucknell took that lead into the locker room at halftime thanks to a blocked field goal by Anthony Lewis '05.

The Hoyas showed that they were not out of the game on their first possession of the second half. A 34-yard touchdown pass capping off a six-play, 64-yard scoring drive, shrunk the Bison lead to 17-7. On their next possession, the Hoyas fumbled the ball on their own 20-yard line, and the Bison recovered. Raphael Darrington '05 topped off the four-play Bucknell scoring drive with a 7-yard touchdown run to push the Bison lead to 24-7.

The Hoyas continued their comeback late in the third quarter on a 10-yard touchdown pass to make the score 24-14 Bison. On their next possession, the Hoyas marched 49 yards in six plays, and connected on a 20-yard touchdown pass to cut the Bison lead to 24-20.

Midway through the fourth quarter, the Bison took over the ball on the Georgetown 24-yard line following a failed fourth down conversion by the Hoyas. Following a Bison penalty, Ciesnolevicz connected with Marquardt from 30 yards out to extend the Bison lead to 31-20 with 8:07 remaining in the game.

On the ensuing drive, the Hoyas moved the ball 70 yards in seven plays, and capped off the scoring drive with a 17-yard touchdown pass. After failing the attempt at a two point conversion, the Bison led 31-26 with 5:41 to play.

After the Bison were unable to produce a solid drive, the Hoyas got the ball back with 3:06 on the clock. They drove the ball 81 yards in 15 plays, converting twice on fourth down plays, to win the game. The game winning touchdown pass from 19 yards out gave Georgetown a 32-31 win.

After a loss like the one to Georgetown, the Bison look ahead to their four remaining games with one goal left.

"We are playing for a winning season and pride now," Kotulski said. "It's just a matter of making some plays. We've got to find a way to win."

Even though Wenrich is still questionable for next week's game at Holy Cross, Ciesnolevicz has quickly become comfortable running the offense.

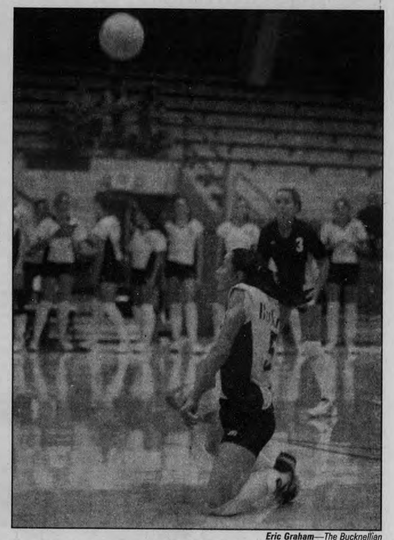
"It is hard not to feel comfortable out there. I am confident throwing to anyone on the field," Ciesnolevicz said.

Volleyball comes up short against Lehigh

Bucknell's five-match Patriot League winning streak was finally ended on Saturday

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Breean Trapasso '04 and the Bison extended their Patriot League win streak to five matches before falling in a close match to Lehigh Oct. 26.



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Brandi Trapasso '04 gets down for one of her team-leading 23 digs against Lehigh. She also led the team with 13 digs against Lafayette.

By Brent Butler
Sports Editor

After going on a five-match Patriot League winning streak, the Bucknell volleyball team finally was defeated by the Lehigh Mountain Hawks on Saturday, Oct. 26.

The Bison battled valiantly in the first game of the night but came up short, losing a tough 39-37 opening game. In game two the Orange and Blue retaliated and scored a 30-24 victory. Unfortunately, this was the only game the Bison were able to hold off the Mountain Hawks. Bucknell lost the remaining two games 30-24 and 30-21.

"I definitely felt we could have beaten them," Chelsea Anderson '06 said. "The first game was a very intense game. It isn't very often when you have games that go all the way up to 40. Both of our teams played with good ball control, which led to long rallies. We came out strong with the momentum in the second game and beat them, but in the third and fourth game we just broke down a little. We started to come back, but in the end it was too late."

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> —*Chelsea Anderson '06*

Melanie Ghiz '03 led the offense with 18 kills, and Chelsea Robertson '05 and Jackie Leahy '05 each contributed 10 kills to the Bison effort. Defensively, the Bison were led by Brandi Trapasso '04 with 23 digs and Anderson with 21. Breean Trapasso '04 added 49 assists and 11 digs to the Bison effort.

The Bucknell volleyball team defeated Patriot League foe Lafayette on Friday, Oct. 25. The Bison beat the Leopards in three quick games by scores of 30-20, 30-18 and 30-24.

Brandi Trapasso led the team with 11 kills and 13 digs, while Jennifer Wrigley tallied a team high 12 kills. Breean Trapasso had 31 assists in the Bison victory.

On Friday, Oct. 18, the Bison started the weekend off with a 3-1 victory over Colgate. The Orange and Blue lost the first game of the night, 30-24, but came back to win the next three consecutive games, 30-24, 30-27 and 30-20, to clinch the Bison victory.

Many players reached personal milestones in their careers in this game. The Bison were led by Ghiz, who tallied a career match high with an impressive 24 kills; and Wrigley had 15 kills and a total of 12 digs, which included her 1,000-career dig. Wrigley is only the fourth Bison to accomplish the 1,000 dig mark in the Bucknell record book.

Even though their five-game winning streak is over, the Bison are still optimistic for the future.

"The game against Lehigh is in the past," Anderson said. "It's just a little obstacle to our season. We definitely are more excited about the present and future and have many goals for our upcoming games."

The Bison now hold a 12-10 overall record with a 6-3 Patriot League record. The Bison take on Navy on Friday, Nov. 1 at 7 p.m. in Annapolis, Md. Bucknell will then face first-place Patriot League rival American University on Saturday, Nov. 2.

X-Country prepares for P.L. champs

By Evan Honeyfield
Staff Writer

The cross country teams enter the championship season this Saturday as they head to West Point, N.Y., to take on several Patriot League foes.

The women's race looks to be a showdown with Army and American. The Bison fell to the Black Knights earlier this season by only two points. Since that time, both Army and Bucknell have appeared to improve from race to race.

"The season has increasingly become more impressive team-wise. We have grown from being such a young team to being a strong group, achieving both individual and team goals each week. I feel we have a definite chance to repeat as league champions," Theresa Dennis '03 said.

Dennis, the top returning runner in the league from last year's league championships, should be in the hunt for an individual title as well.

"I have to be smart with how I race and use my strong points. I feel the outcome is strongly in my favor based on how the season is unfolding," Dennis said.

The men should also be in the thick of things with American and Army. Although the Bison are looking for a win, they are also hoping to use the meet as a turning point.

"The season's been a little disappointing. After a great race at Army early on, we've struggled in terms of guys running consistently," Jesse Graytock '03 said. "And the loss of Greg [Costello '03] has obviously hurt as well. But I still believe that we have the personnel to be a great team."

Although the team race shakes down to two primary opponents, the Bison will mainly be battling the inconsistency that has hurt them so far.

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> —*Lou Palma '03, co-captain*

"Our biggest competition at leagues will be ourselves. If we can run the way we know we can, we will win. What the other teams do will not matter as long as we do what we have to do," Co-Captain Lou Palma '03 said.

In addition to hopefully leading the men to a team title, Bryan Johnston '03 should also be in the chase for an individual title. Johnston's main competition will come from American's Frank Malpigli, Army's Eric Motzenbecker and David Welch, Colgate's Luis Di Nuzzo and Holy Cross's Shane LeBeau, who is known for his dangerous racing style in championship races.

Like Palma, Head Coach Kevin Donner is not overly worried about the competition.

"Both teams just need to run their own races and run to their capabilities. We cannot worry about the other teams. Two team championships and two individual championships are not out of the question," Donner said.

Hopefully both teams will return this Saturday night with two cups and some individual hardware as well.

BUCKNELL BISON™ Statistics

Soccer

Men's

Bucknell	2
Sacred Heart	1

Goals: Hemmert, Brunton
Assists: Brunton, Lookingland, Hemmert
Saves: Edwards 1

Bucknell	2
St. Francis	1

Goals: Beekman, Buzzell
Assists: Hemmert, Ryan, Adrabi, Glennon
Saves: Edwards 6

Women's

Bucknell	0
Army	1

Saves: Purse 4

Golf

Men's

Stabler Invitational 6th, 631
Notables: 7. Lane, 10. Dolle 17. Valentine

Women's

ECAC Championships 5th, 507
Notables: 15. Campbell

Field Hockey

Bucknell	1
Lock Haven	3

Goals: Boynton
Assists: Gentel, Cabral
Saves: Wettergreen 10

Volleyball

Bucknell	3
Holy Cross	0

(30-22, 30-17, 30-25)

Bucknell	3
Army	1

(23-30, 30-27, 30-25, 31-29)

Men's Water Polo

Bucknell	12
Occidental	3
Bucknell	6
Redlands	5 OT

BUCKNELL BISON™ Calendar

Volleyball at Navy
Friday, Nov. 1
7 p.m.

Men's Swimming at Drexel
Friday, Nov. 1
2 p.m.

Volleyball at American
Saturday, Nov. 2
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Football at Holy Cross
Saturday, Nov. 2
12:30 p.m.

Field Hockey at American
Saturday, Nov. 2
1 p.m.

Field Hockey at Georgetown
Sunday, Nov. 3
12 p.m.

Men's Soccer vs. Navy
Sunday, Nov. 3
2 p.m.

Sports Ops

Cecily Cairns Classic Corner

Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

It's all about the monkey

There's been an outrage in the animal kingdom. Ever since last Sunday, organ-grinding monkeys everywhere have been up in arms, screeching out against the recent injustice that has unfolded during the latest installment of that quirky human ritual known as the "World Series."

And a staggering injustice it is. I mean, they spend day in and day out working their little prehensile tails off for a good meal, while this "rally monkey" character just bounces around on the scoreboard for a few minutes, and—bam!—he's the nation's fuzziest media darling.

One minute he's just your average capuchin; the next, his furry likeness is being affectionately waved about by a stadium full of fervent major-league baseball fans. He's on T-shirts, bumper stickers, signs and all sorts of other ballpark paraphernalia. Heck, even Curious George must be jealous.

The cuddly capuchin isn't alone in his renown on the diamond, though. He actually joins a menagerie of baseball's most memorable beasts. There are a few who have nuzzled, flapped and crawled their way into the legacy of America's pastime.

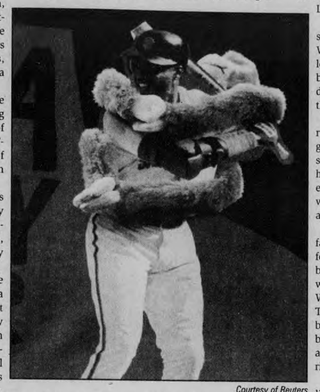
During most of the franchise's history, the Philadelphia/Kansas City Athletics boasted a resilient cartoon elephant as their mascot. But when the soon-to-be-notorious Charles Finley took over ownership of the hapless squad in 1960, and brought his taste for all things outlandish with him, he replaced it with an animal he could better relate with, introducing the fans at Municipal Stadium to "Charlie O.," a big, brown mule.

Charlie O. tagged along after the A's wherever they went. When the franchise moved to Oakland, so did the mule. Finley even let him hang out in the press box, the field and various other parts of the stadium generally restricted to human personnel.

Despite all his big-eared charm, Charlie O. was not quite as beloved among the players and managers as he was among the media and fans. While they were out taking care of business around the bases, the 800-pound ungulate was taking car of his own "business" wherever he felt it necessary. The fruits of his labor were, needless to say, a bit malodorous.

Long after Finley dragged around his aromatically-challenged buddy, another eccentric baseball owner charged onto the scene with a ubiquitous quadruped. Marge Schott, owner of the Cincinnati Reds from 1985-1999, did everything her own way. That included demanding the constant presence of her St. Bernard, Schottzie.

Schottzie, who weighed more than the team's second baseman, was given free reign of the field. Schott made sure that her canine compadre's presence was appreciated—or at last acknowledged—by everyone. She rubbed the dog's fur on manager Lou Pinella's jersey for good luck, and coerced Eric Davis into wearing a floppy-eared dog hat during a press conference. Schottzie even made an appearance on "David Letterman."



Courtesy of Reuters

The rally monkey has grabbed himself a place in history.

When Schottzie passed away in 1991, a crestfallen Schott introduced the Reds to Schottzie 02, who took over as the stadium's new over-pampered good luck charm. In 1998, Schott insisted that Mark McGwire, then in the midst of chasing down Roger Maris' home run record, pet Schottzie 02 for good luck, and McGwire, always a gentlemen, obliged. If he didn't need luck before that, he certainly would afterwards—he was allergic to dogs.

Not all of baseball's noteworthy critters have been quite as prominent or showy as Charlie O. and Schottzie. Sometimes their influence is only recognized behind the scenes. Such was the case for a very timely rat at Fenway Park in 1975.

We all remember watching the grainy, spine-tingling footage of Cartlon Fisk emphatically persuading his towering long-ball to stay fair during game 6 of the World Series. But who should we thank for that fantastic footage?

As it happens, those few seconds of documentary excellence came to us courtesy of an unnamed rat, or at least that's how it goes according to legend. NBC director Harry Coyle put a camera inside the left-field wall for the game, and told cameraman Lou Gerard to keep the frame on the ball.

Gerard lost his focus, though, when a massive rat meandered across the floor beside him. With his eyes on the rat and not on the ball, he left the camera pointed aimlessly towards the batter. The footage that resulted won Coyle a director's Emmy and was voted by TV Guide as the best sports video of the 20th century.

Meanwhile the humble little varmint scurried back to the dark recesses of old Fenway, graciously letting his human counterparts stride away with all the glory. It's doubtful he'll ever appear on a T-shirt or a bumper sticker, but the presence of NBC's rat will resonate with every showing of Fisk's unforgettable antics.

Occasionally, animals have inadvertently fallen into the limelight through their own misfortune. In 1983, a seagull caused a huge flap by simply being in the wrong place at the wrong time. Future Hall-of-Famer Dave Winfield was finishing his warm-up tosses in Toronto when the gull perched itself on a nearby fence. Winfield chucked the ball in the bird's general direction, hoping to shoo it away, but instead clocked the avian bystander right in the head.

The misdirected throw was curtains for the little gull, and this ornithological mishap led to Winfield's arrest on charges of animal cruelty.

He was eventually acquitted, but received a smattering of boos from fans all over the league for years to come.

This is just a sampling of baseball's zoological history—there are countless critters who have left their mark, literally and figuratively, on our pastime, some of whom may go forever unrecognized.

So how will the rally monkey stack up once the fanfare has disbanded? Surely he has etched himself a special place in the hearts of the baseball faithful already, but it remains to be seen if he'll continue on his meteoric rise to immortality.

Perhaps he'll remain as the Angels' spunky cheerleader. Perhaps he'll keep his options open and search for an even more prestigious position in the baseball world. Who knows where he could lend his illimitable talents next.

Rumor has it we could use a new commissioner.

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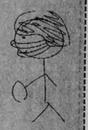

Kids at play

As Darin Erstad waved off Tim Salmon to make the last out of game 7 of the Fall Classic, you could see them in the dugout, holding each other, one showing his age, the other weeping openly. It wasn't Jackie Autry crying for her deceased husband and it wasn't Michael Eisner in the retro-Mickey shirt clinging with all of his strength to John Travolta. It wasn't Kenny Lofton and it wasn't Barry Bonds who sat there wondering if he'd ever see this again.

No, it was Giants manager Dusty Baker finally showing the oppressive weight of a baseball season stretched as far as it could conceivably go, with his 3-year-old son, Darren, bawling unremittingly over his shoulder. This may seem like a morbid depiction of the "Greatest Game on Earth's" greatest single game, but believe me, it gets worse.

In a flurry of stupidity that hovers over him like a rain cloud over Wile E. Coyote, Bud Selig, Fuhrer of baseball, came out after the World Series and issued a *fatwa* about children in the dugout. That's right, children in the dugout.

According to ESPN.com, a baseball official said, "This has become a travesty. We look ridiculous and unprofessional." I see that major-league baseball officials subscribe to the Saint Peter school of child management. I prefer to take a more Jesu-centric stance and say, "Let the children come unto me."

What is this bourgeois culture these people want to graft onto America's proletariat pastime? First, it was their hairstyles that felled Jason Giambi's auburn tresses as Steinbrenner demanded his team look clean-cut. Then they went after the uniforms; no more baggy shirts or ripped pants or dirty hats. Sorry guys, you'll have to send the batboys out to do laundry during the seventh inning stretch or you won't be allowed to take the field. Now they're attacking kids in the dugout.

The main contention is that Darren Baker almost got run over at the plate in game 5 of the series after he went to go pick up a bat and J. T. Snow had to pull him aside so he wouldn't get hurt. So now we're worried about children running out onto the field who may get hurt? Why don't we focus on keeping the fans with knives in their seats rather than letting them attack a first base coach à la Tom Gamboa before we start worrying about a batboy being too close for comfort to the action.

	Barry Bonds	Troy Glaus
Average	.471	.385
Homers	4	3
RBI	6	8
Runs	8	7
Slugging	1.294 (record)	.846
Walks	13 (record)	4
OBP	.700 (record)	.467

Is it really that big of a deal that children are in the dugout? Why does baseball feel the need to become a corporate bouillabaisse of '50s haircuts and shirt and tie slides? We're not talking about setting up a day care and a ball pit, we're talking about letting the game inspire youths to succeed instead of boosting a car.

I say baseball needs to look over its shoulder or check its pulse for a second. Let's start thinking about more kids in the dugout, not fewer. Give something back to the fans instead of gouging us for all we're worth when all we want is some extra sauerkraut.

And while we're on the topic of Selig screwups, let's discuss the World Series MVP decision. As much as I despise Barry Bonds with the fiery hot passion of a million suns, he deserved it. His team did not win, but there are precious few people who have ever reached the World Series and performed as he did. Look at the chart, Bonds broke three World Series records. What did Troy Glaus do? He did the same as any other player in the Angels lineup.

The Most Valuable Player award is just that, the man who a team can't play without. Bonds is that man. Glaus is not. Just because the Giants got stomped like a cigarette butt when Sister Catherine walks through study hall doesn't mean that he didn't put up one of the single best World Series performances in history.

And what about the managerial hunt that took place during the series. Selig wants to fine the Mets for being too vocal about the whole Lou Piniella-Art Howe debacle. Now I understand the argument that all should be quiet on the Eastern front during the California World Series, but Selig has his priorities askew. He's upset with Seattle and Tampa Bay, but he's only going to fine the Mets? That doesn't make sense.

Where's the accountability there? If you want to fine the Mets, that's fine. Just be fair and fine the other two teams. Talk about looking unprofessional. How about we get the 4-year-old children out of baseball's front office.

Scott Kloss
Senior Writer

Changing seasons

First snow has fallen on the University campus and with this transformation to the upcoming winter, the landscape of sports society has changed too. Out are baseball and MLS soccer. IN are hockey and basketball. By the way, did anyone see the giant flashes of light from the Mods Tuesday night when we lost power? It was like fireworks without the sound! Hopefully my article can emanate those fireworks as we conclude the baseball season and introduce the basketball season!

The Anaheim Angels ended their 41 years frustration of not winning the big one by defeating the San Francisco Giants to win the World Series in seven games. The rally monkey won again. This series epitomized teamwork. While the Giants had Bonds, who lived up to his claim of baseball slugger smacking four homers in the Series, batting .471 and had an on-base percentage of .700, the Angels had the rally monkey.

Courtesy of Reuters

Michael Jordan returns to the NBA with the Wizards again this season.

An indistinguishable face, the rally monkey's identity changed with the need or situation presented. I ask Bonds to bow to the monkey and suggest that instead of fighting with Jeff Kent on where in the order he should bat, calling a truce with his teammates might assist his quest for a championship ring.

We saw the emergence of a couple studs for fantasy baseball owners for years to come. Twenty-year-old, (yes, he could be in your arts and sciences class) Francisco Rodriguez exploded onto the baseball scene with his fearless style of going after each hitter from pitch one.

Rodriguez, who wasn't even on the Angels roster at the beginning of the season, brought youthful vigor to a team that already gets carded at local bars. Troy Glaus took home MVP honors, but the rally monkey got my vote. (Yes, the rally monkey will be appearing on "Jay Leno!")

"We're not a team that sits back and waits for the three-run home run," Glaus said. "We try to create situations to put pressure on the defense and pressure them into making mistakes—doing things like that, keying on the situational hitting."

Glaus, who looks like a candidate for the next "Superman" movie, blasted multiple homers and clutch hits, most notable his game 6 two-run double in the eighth inning that led to a 6-5 Angels victory.

The Angels-Giants series will most be remembered as being the first time two wild card teams played in the World Series. Of course, ever since the New England Patriots' improbable Super Bowl Championship, it's been clear that a complete team can endure and succeed over star individuals.

Switching gears onto the hard court, the 2002-2003 NBA season began on Tuesday and promises to be another exciting season! We have the "usual suspects" of the L.A. Lakers, Sacramento Kings and San Antonio Spurs bringing back strong teams that will contend yet again. We saw the emergence of the high flying Dallas Mavericks and scrappy N.J. Nets rise to "giant" status. For the first time, instant replay will be joining the referees to assist on crucial game calls.

No one is quite sure how this will be used or abused, but a system close to football's coaches challenge system is sure to evolve. The zone defense is also in its infancy, but unlike college ball where its use is widespread, pro ball insists on indulging as often as we see Christina Aguilera wearing something resembling clothing.

Let's begin with the young guns from the South, the Dallas Mavericks. After what seemed to be a decade of lottery picks, the Mavs have finally found a winning combination. Out are the old trio of Jason Kidd, Jamal Mashburn and Jimmy Jackson, replaced by a more cohesive core group of Dirk Nowitzki, Steve Nash and Michael Finley. Led by ferocious coach Don Nelson and funded by broadcast.com! Founder and Dairy Queen-loving owner Marc Cuban the Mavs are the hottest combination since peanut butter and jelly! Finishing second last season in the Midwest Conference and being ousted by the Kings in the Western Conference Semifinals, the Mavs look to improve on a suspect defense (ranked 28th) and take the next step towards an NBA championship trophy.

Next we have my hometown boys from Jersey. The N.J. Nets with triple double threat Jason Kidd look to dominate the Eastern Conference for the second straight season. With new additions Dikembe Motumbo, Rodney Rogers and Chris Childs, they are set to do just that. Swingman Richard Jefferson will replace Keith Van Horn nicely, fitting alongside bad boy Kenyon Martinto complete a sizable frontcourt.

Around the league ... Michael Jordan is back once again, Shaq's big toe is improving and I am over my cold! Grant Hill is trying for his third time to return from a lingering knee injury. If healthy, he could put the Magic over the edge with Tracy McGrady and company. The Lakers are set with Kobe and Shaq, but this time they will have to battle clutch Mike Bibby and former Michigan Wolverine Chris Webber. Who can forget Rick Fox and Doug Christie's scuffle a couple days back that intensified this Western Conference rivalry? If Patch Adams were here he'd ask, "What's your love strategy, gentlemen?"

The Celtics with Paul Pierce and Antoine Walker are poised to bring it to the Nets. Watch out for the rookies this year. Duke star Jayson Williams will be dribble the ball for the Bulls, and Drew Gooden looks to continue his winning ways from Kansas. Give a watch to some of the game this weekend and, who knows, maybe I will see you in Davis Gym!

Finally, a word to the wise: beware of 15-year-old girls that invite you to their place of work. The Decker Effect looms! Take care everyone!

TRIVIA

By Cecily Cairns

1. Volponi recently won the Breeder's Cup Classic at the second-longest winning odds in the race's history. Who was the highest priced winner?

2. John Lackey became only the second rookie to start in and win game 7 of the World Series. Who was the first to do it?

1) Arcangues, at odds of 133; the win paid $269.20 on a $2 ticket. 2) Babe Adams did it for Pittsburgh in 1909.

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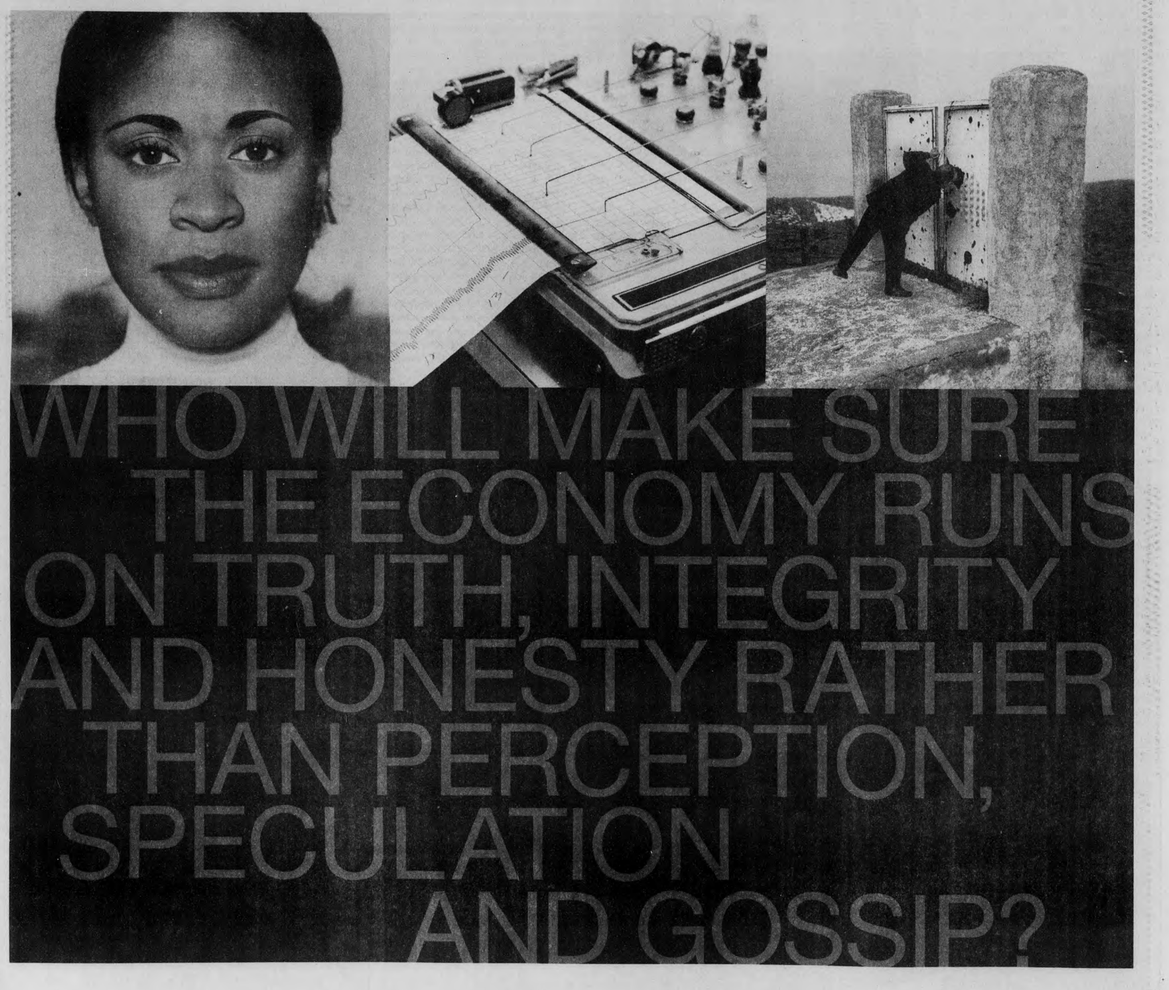

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Sports

Men's hockey kicks off season

The Bucknell hockey team had its first home game Oct. 25, against Lafayette in Sunbury.

This year's team will display the talents of 13 new members as well as 16 returning players. The Bison suffered an unfortunate defeat on Friday, losing 5-1 to Lafayette.

The only Bucknell goal was scored in the first period by John Mirtle '06, with assists from Nate Poulin '05 and Scott Day '04.

All are encouraged to come out and see the team today as they play West Virginia University.

All home games will be played at Sunbury Ice Arena. Directions: From the LC, take 7th Street to Market Street (.5 m), make a right at light onto 405 South after bridge (.3 m), turn right at T onto Route 147 (2.7 m), turn left at light at T (4.7 m) make right at the next light (still 147, .1 m), go over two bridges, make a left at light where road forks, follow signs for Shikellamy Avenue (.8 m), go through first stop sign, as road turns left, make a right (.4 m) rink is on the right.

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19: at Colgate
25: vs. F&M, 4 p.m.
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7: at Millersville
8: at LaSalle

Construction is problematic for some

Dan Fellon—*The Bucknellian*

Parts of the new Athletic Recreation Center became accessible shortly before fall break, but reactions to the facilities among students and staff have been varied.

By Ainsley Maloney
Staff Writer

Just as any new facility brings about new opportunities, with them will come a fair amount of new problems. Many people have seen just that with the recent opening of the new Recreation and Athletic Center, and reactions to the facility have been mixed.

Since its official opening shortly before fall break, a few glitches have presented roadblocks that everyone has been forced to work around. During a recent swimming and diving practice, the pool's filters malfunctioned, causing the water to change from blue to brown.

This left the coaches with no other choice but to pull their athletes from the water.

Rather than becoming frustrated, they found other ways to get around the situation. They decided to hold team goal meetings and run their athletes through exercises outside of the pool instead — a response that is critical to making a positive adjustment to the new facility.

"Being adaptive saves heartache," Assistant Diving Coach Errol Carter said. "It doesn't make sense to waste time and energy complaining about stuff you have no control over. You have to work with what you've got; adapting makes us stronger."

Similar roadblocks have occurred outside of the pool as well. With a majority of the free weights still located in the Fieldhouse until the new weight room is finished, completing a workout requires relocating back to the old building. While this may be frustrating for some, Strength and Conditioning Coordinator Jerry Shrek doesn't feel it has turned many away from the new facility.

"We're still going through some growing pains," he said. "There are still a lot of changes to be made, but the feedback from the student body has been positive."

Shrek's expectations for the new center by the time it is complete remain high.

"In January, the free weight room will be one of the top facilities in the Patriot League," he said. While these situations are only temporary setbacks, a bigger concern is adjusting to the new surroundings and learning how to work the new equipment. Some may be turned away from the environment's "social scene."

"There's nowhere to hide! Here, everyone can see you struggling to lift the 50-pound weights," Associate Professor of Psychology John Ptacek said.

On the other hand, students have found little to complain about.

"The new cardio area is so amazing," Hannah Kaczka '06 said. "It's such an improvement and much more advanced. It actually makes me want to work out more because the environment is so much more enjoyable."

Similar responses have come from student-athletes as well. The new facility has seemed to improve overall attitudes and spirits since athletes are now practicing at more convenient times while being in a much better atmosphere. Athletes are also hoping that the new facility will attract more hype, more attention and, therefore, more support.

"All of the teams really deserve an up-to-date facility for how hard we work, and I'm hoping it will attract a bigger audience at our meets," Sarah Petcavage '04, a member of the swimming and diving teams, said.

On the other hand, the controversy seems to lie in just that. Some professors are concerned that the new center puts too much focus on athletics while taking away from academics.

"I think it's hard to deny that it sends a visible signal of the universities priorities," Professor of East Asian Studies Erik Lofgren said.

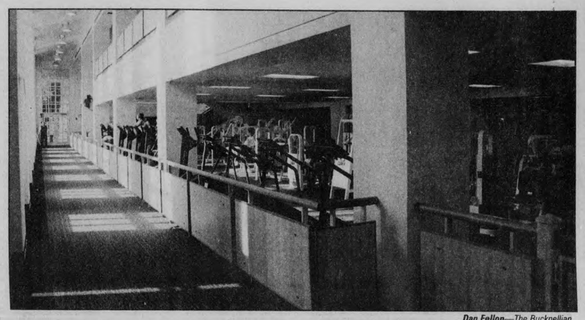
Associate Professor of Classics Janet Jones agrees, adding that her concern is not with athletics in general, but with the focus being set too much on certain sports and not enough on others. She is upset that a lacrosse field was lost due to the construction of the center.

"I'd like to see the resources spread more broadly and across all the different teams rather than just one or two sports," Jones said.

Not all professors agree. Ptacek feels that the facility provides a medium between athletics and academics, while, in a way, uniting them.

"Athletics have as much of an opportunity to educate as traditional academics," Ptacek said. "[They] have the potential to teach a lot of things such as confronting challenges, working together with people and finding a certain balance in your life. Coaches are just another form of educator and they may even have a greater impact than we can."

Since everyone responds to change differently, it is natural for reactions and opinions to be mixed. By the end of the year, the center will no longer be so unfamiliar and most of the glitches will be worked out. Perhaps then some opinions will change; for some people, that will probably not be the case. Either way, it is important for everyone to keep in mind that the center is still considered to be a work in progress.



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The new center offers a state-of-the-art environment for students to work out. While some find the new facility appealing, others think the University places too much emphasis on athletics.

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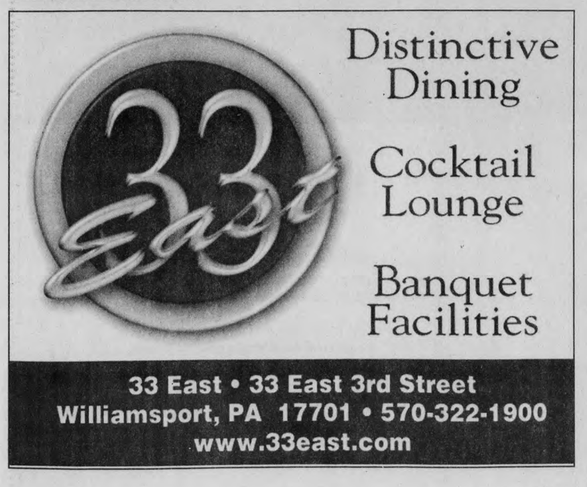

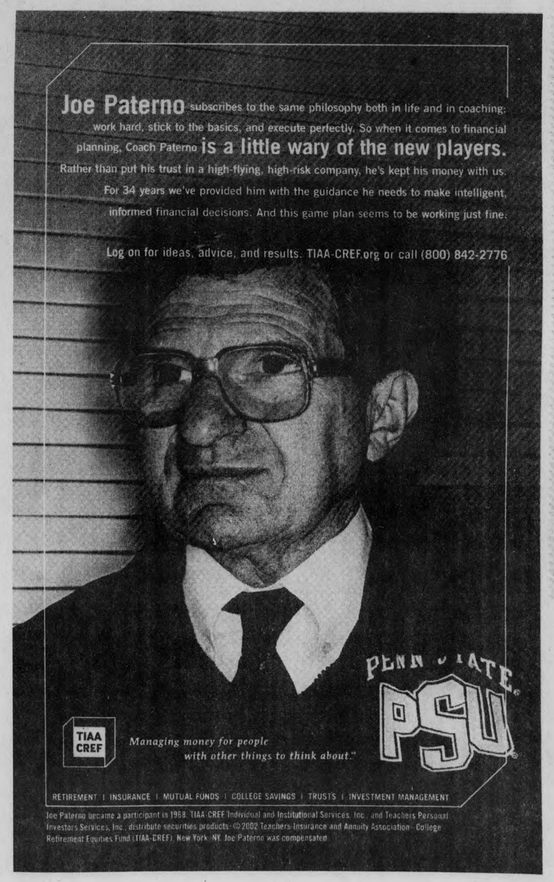
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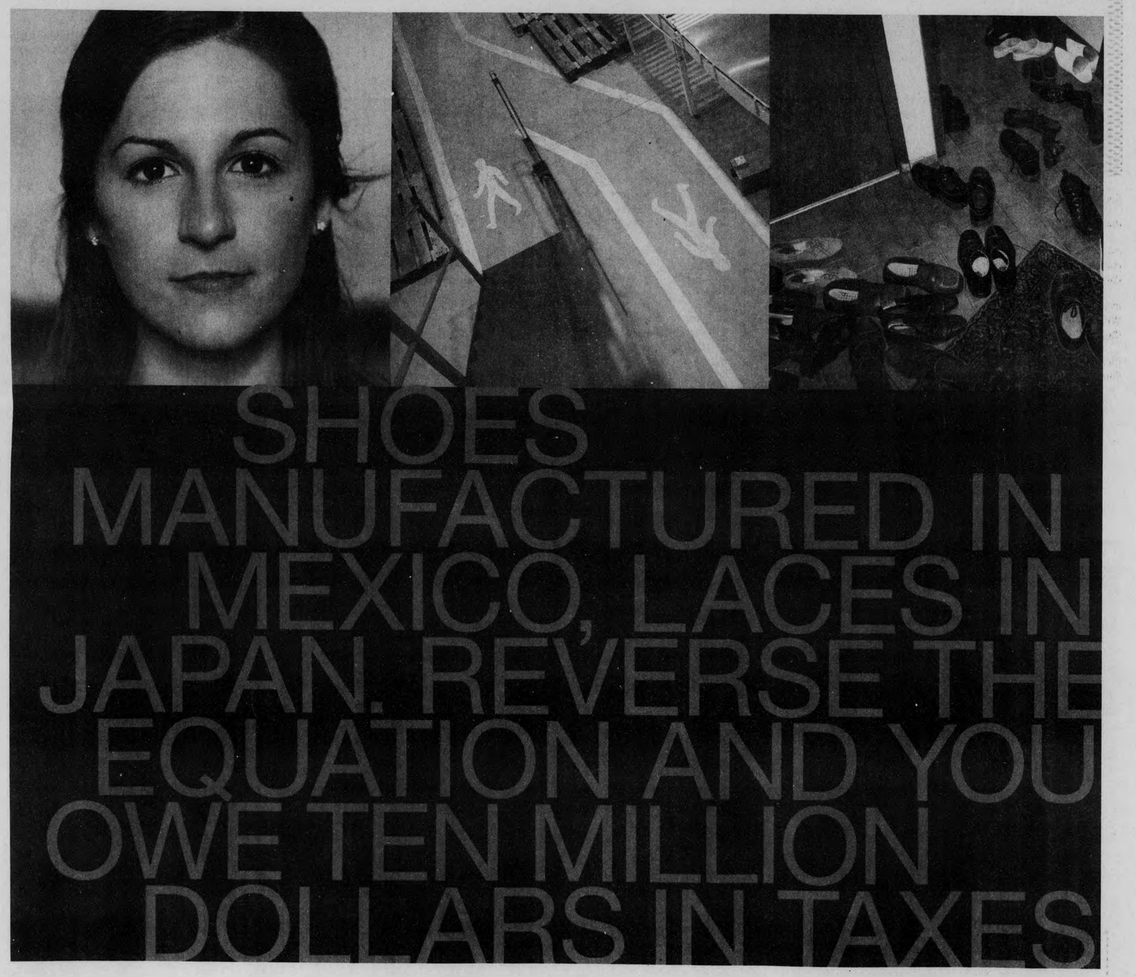

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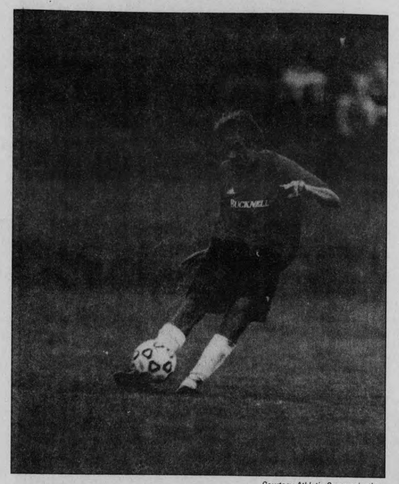

Courtesy Athletic Communications

Sophomore midfielder Jonathan Hemmert led the Bison with two shots.

the most assists and shutout records in a single season.

Looking at the record, the 2002 season proves to be one of the best in men's soccer history. The record conceals the fact that the Bison are fighting to keep post-season play in their future. All three of Bucknell's losses have been to Patriot League foes: Holy Cross, No. 13 American and No. 17 Lehigh.

With the tougher Patriot League games out of the way, Bucknell is striving to win the remaining three league games against Lafayette, Navy and Army. With these three wins, the Bison will finish in the top four and will advance to the playoffs.

The Orange and Blue meet Lafayette on Wednesday, Oct. 30 in Easton, Pa. Kickoff is 7 p.m. and will be broadcast live on the Bison Sports network. On Sunday, Nov. 3, Navy will travel to Lewisburg for a 2 p.m. match.

Field hockey improves to 3-2 in P.L.

The 2-1 victory was over Fairfield and was the second straight win for the Bison.

BY ASHLEY HALL
Staff Writer

The Bucknell field hockey team, lead by first-year student Kelly O'Brien's two goals, made its last home game of the season a successful one on Saturday, Oct. 26. The 2-1 victory was over Patriot League foe Fairfield and was the second straight win for the Bison in the league, improving their league record to 3-2.

The first goal was only 2 minutes, 23 seconds into the game when O'Brien received a pass from Cara Turner '05 and capitalized on it. Fairfield evened the score off a penalty corner, with only 5:40 to play in the first half. This goal was scored by Dani Brown with an assist by Rebecca Odenwaelder.

In the second half of the game, O'Brien scored her second goal to break the tie with 5:43 left to play. This was scored off a pass from Amy Marvel '03 during the last home game of her field hockey career here at Bucknell.

"Our win over Fairfield was great. It was an important game in the Patriot League for us and we rose to meet the challenge," Kelly Burrows '03 said. Goalkeeper Sonja Wettergreen '03 recorded nine stops, while Fairfield goalie Lauren Thomas had 14.

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> *— Kelly Burrows '03*

On Oct. 22, the team competed in Loudonville, N.Y. against Siena to pull off a 2-0 win in this non-league match.

The two goals were scored just a minute apart in the first stanza. Kirsten Nilsen '06 shoveled a pass off to Carli Cataldo '06 at the 22:13 mark for the first goal, giving the Bison a 1-0 lead. Marvel scored off a penalty corner at 23:12. This was Marvel's fourth goal for the season.

Bucknell outshot Siena 11-7 in the match. Liz Jordan '06 started this game and recorded three saves for the Bison while Wettergreen stopped one in the second half.

On Sunday, Oct. 20 the field hockey team took time away from fall break to traveled to to battle the Burlington, Vt., Catamounts and come away with a 2-1 loss.

Vermont's Christine Layden scored an unassisted goal off a penalty corner at the 20:52 mark in the first half.

Just 18 minutes into the second half of play, Meiko Boynton '05 tipped one in off a Cara Turner '05 assist. This was Boynton's seventh goal of the season.

Kristen MacDonald scored the final goal of the game off a penalty, sealing the Catamounts' win. Wettergreen made seven saves for Bucknell, while Holly Colberg had two for Vermont. This was the Catamounts' spark after a four-game losing streak putting them up to 5-11. Bucknell had four shots while Vermont recorded ten.

Bucknell's record now improves to 7-9 overall and 3-2 in league play. The next match for the Bison is their last conference game.

It is at American University on Saturday, Nov. 2 at 1 p.m. This is an important game to try to clinch a playoff spot with a victory at American.

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Greeks actively support Million Penny Project

By Caitlin McKee
Staff Writer

The third annual Million Penny Project needs your spare change to raise $10,000. The project will benefit the United Way's Union County Campaign. The University's fraternities and sororities have joined forces to run the project.

"The Inter Fraternity Council, the governing body of the frats, and the Panhellenic, the governing body of the sororities, works together to run the project. It is our way to show the campus our unity," Project Coordinator Janet Serafin '04 said.

The fraternities and sororities are supporting the United Way's Union County Campaign for many reasons.

"We decided to donate the money to the United Way's Campaign because the campaign will use the money to help places in Lewisburg that are in need. This way, the Greeks can help the University and Lewisburg to better their community. We hope to bring the entire school and community together through the common goal of raising money for this cause," Project Coordinator Evan Gropper '04 said.

The Greeks also hope supporting the United Way will strengthen their relationship with the University's administration.

"The United Way was brought to our attention by Dean Conrad and President Rogers, who are both affiliated with the organization. We hope following their suggestion and supporting an organization that the administration supports will increase the lines of communication between the administration and the Greeks. We also hope to show the administration our positive side by working together with them on this project," Gropper said.

Serafin and Gropper are working closely on the project to guarantee its success.

"In the past, the project has not done that well. This year, we are making sure the fraternities and sororities really work together on the project. We think more efficient cooperation between the fraternities and sororities will help make the project succeed," Gropper said.

To raise the $10,000, the Greeks are holding several fundraisers. Donation cans are located all over the campus and Lewisburg. The Harvest Games, held last Saturday, benefitted the project. The games attracted a variety of participating groups that competed in such games as pumpkin catapulting.

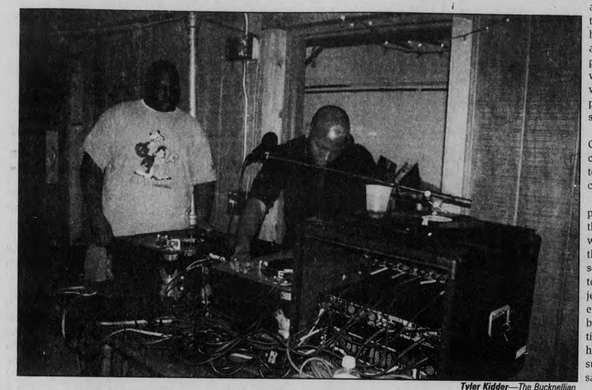
"We were really pleased that such a wide range of groups from campus participated in the games. We were very pleased with the results," Gropper said.

Each fraternity and sorority is also raising $500 for the project through its own fundraisers.

"Kappa Kappa Gamma ran a car wash to support the project. Phi Gamma Delta (Fiji) had a registered non-alcoholic party and charged a $2 admission that will go to the project," Gropper said.

Gropper and Serafin are confident they will hit the $10,000 mark.

"The project is definitely going well. I have absolutely no doubt we will raise above and beyond our goal of $10,000," Serafin said.



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Fiji brother and DJ Sheldon Andrews '04 (right) spinning music for charity. Fiji held a non-alcoholic registered party on Saturday charging a $2 cover charge to benefit charity.

Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian

University students contributing to the charity event by enjoying a night of dancing at Fiji . Greek students are collectively trying to reach a $10,000 goal.

Reverse abroad: Saudi Arabia to Lewisburg, Pa.

By Hsiang-Lin Yang
Contributing Writer

Many people have heard of the popular Greek proverb, "know thyself." How many have actually accomplished this? Especially in a time that trembles of a potential World War III, identity is becoming ever more important. I am a Taiwanese citizen born and raised in Saudi Arabia. Does that really explain who I am? I walk among my fellow Saudis on the beach every day, yet I still speak Mandarin and eat my meals with chopsticks. I've read Arab newspapers my whole life, yet my political views are very different from my Saudi neighbors. In essence, simply tracing your cultural background will not lead to self-discovery.

As silly as it sounds, you first have to actually realize the importance of self-identity. Before I came to the United States three years ago, I never realized the uniqueness of being born and raised in a foreign country. Every day I would mingle with other Taiwanese kids who lived nearby. Women completely covered in black satin were a more common sight than McDonald's. It was actually an anomaly for me to see a Caucasian strolling down the beach. I took all of these cultural observations for granted and went on with my everyday life.

When I first arrived at St. Andrew's School, my U.S. boarding high school, I was awe-struck. It was a new, yet somehow familiar, environment. I was still a foreigner, but women wore shorts and there was grass everywhere.

I began asking myself many questions: Who am I? Am I Saudi Arabian? Or am I Taiwanese? What are my passions? Why do I react a certain way when I encounter different situations? I asked myself all types of personal questions.

As the first semester passed, I experienced many harsh times that exposed my insecurity. When some people made fun of my cultural upbringing, I didn't know what to say or just didn't have the guts to make a comeback. When I was in Saudi, my habits and mannerisms were accepted and I felt at home. But now here in the United States, everyone seemed to view me both figuratively and literally as an alien. The anger and humiliation just kept building like a disease inside me. When it became too much to bear, I exploded and began looking at everything and everyone around me with utmost cynicism. Thankfully, my friends and my Chinese teacher were there to help me. They noticed my depression and encouraged me to think about what could have caused me to become so hostile.

I began asking myself many questions: Who am I? Am I Saudi Arabian? Or am I Taiwanese? What are my passions? Why do I react a certain way when I encounter different situations? I asked myself all types of personal questions. Gradually, I became more confident of myself and who I was. Now if you ask me these same questions, I can instantly reply, "I am Taiwanese. My passions are exercise, martial arts, breakdancing and computer and video games."

I used to get offended when people joked around with me because I thought they were being rude, but I have learned that in the United States, sarcasm is more prevalent than even McDonald's.

Because I have come to understand myself better, I can explain my feelings or behavior towards certain cultural differences. One U.S. custom that still surprises me is the equality in parent-child relationship. Throughout my childhood, I had been taught to respect my elders, especially my parents. Now even after three years in the United States, I am still surprised at how my fellow classmates talk to their parents as though they were talking to their friends.

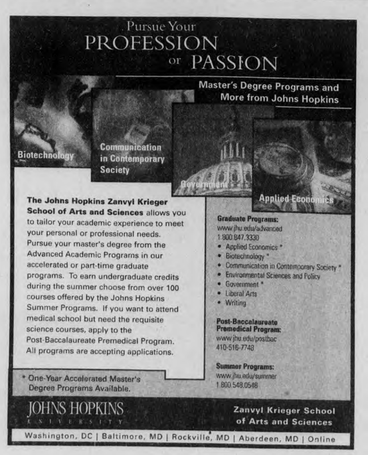
During the University's last Parents Weekend, I got the wonderful opportunity to dine with friends and their parents from my hall. Because the dinners were very fancy, I had ample time to talk with the parents and make observations. I noticed that my friends constantly joked around with their parents in a mini-verbal battle. There were several moments in their conversations in which I would have been scolded had I said that to my parents. Though my relationship with my parents is far from totalitarian, my parents have made it distinctly clear to me that there are times when joking or rebuttals are not appropriate. in those instances, I must show them the respect that the Chinese tradition requires.

When I am home with my parents, I follow the rules of Chinese culture. When I am here in the States, I can be more easygoing and outspoken. And when I am among my Saudi natives, I have to remember to accept drinks only with my right hand and to eat rice by curling it into a ball with my hands.

Similarly, though I have lived in Saudi my whole life, the Arab parent-child relationship also intrigues me. Under Saudi tradition, the children must treat their father with the greatest respect since he is considered the head of the family.

Furthermore, male children in Arab families receive better education than their female counterparts. Women have extremely few job opportunities in Saudi. The teen-age males go on to bear the family name while the females are married at a very young age into another family. This tradition still surprises me, though I've grown up with it.

In my journey to self-discovery, I have not only gained more self-confidence, but I have also learned to adjust to three different cultures. When I am home with my parents, I follow the rules of Chinese culture. When I am here in the States, I can be more easygoing and outspoken. And when I am among my Saudi natives, I have to remember to accept drinks only with my right hand and to eat rice by curling it into a ball with my hands. All of this is only from my experiences. Everyone has his or her own paths and choices to make. In the end, I know each and every one of you will, like me, find out that life is more livable when you can see your true self.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Cell phone etiquette 101

Although convenient for some people, cell phones can be both an annoyance and a distraction for others

By Alyson Walker
Features Editor

As the professor lectures on Beethoven, the familiar strains of the composer's Fifth Symphony resonate through the room. No, it's not an orchestral arrangement. The motif is being beeped out by a cellular phone, which a student quickly turns off, only after checking the caller ID.

Sound familiar? Around the nation, there are similar situations occurring. Cell phones are going off in churches, musical performances, libraries and even on college tours.

"I had a woman on my tour who was a 'cell phone screamer.' She was talking so loudly on the phone that she distracted the tour. Finally, she got off and asked me to repeat what she missed," Tour Guide Student Coordinator Julie Schmidt '05 said.

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Although most people consider cell phones a convenience, many Web sites have emerged that include proper etiquette, listing when and how to take phone calls. Certain rules seem simple, such as turning off phones during public events like concerts and movies, but there are still people who have yet to get a clue. Not only can cell phone misconduct be rude, but it can also have serious repercussions.

"Choosing a college is a monumental decision that will affect the rest of your life. I often receive feedback from prospective or current students regarding why they fell in love with the University," Schmidt said. "I've found that it is more times than not the small details on the tour that attracted them to pursue our institution. When a cell phone call distracts prospective families, the impression of the entire tour can become distorted."

Establishments in parts of Europe are reserving areas to be "mobile-free," denoted by the red circle and slash over a phone, according to www.computersathome.com. Cell phone users, like smokers, have their own sections in restaurants and train compartments. This allows a beep-free peace and quiet for the non-cell phone users.

In Israel, a tape of actor Joseph Yadin requests that all audience members of theatrical and symphonic events to turn off all phones.

New York City Councilman Phil Reed proposed legislation that would fine people $50 for having cell phones go off during performances, according to CNN.com.

"Particularly in movie theaters and other places, unfortunately, people are using the cell phones. Sometimes they'll call in the middle to tell people what the action on the screen is," Reed said. "People spend good money. They just want to sit back and relax, and you've got some lout in front of you that just feels like he wants to perform."

Certain U.S. states have also passed or are in the process of passing legislation regarding cell phone use while driving. In New York, hand-held phones can only be used in case of emergency. Hands-free phones are still allowed. Violation of this law leads to a $100 fine.

While perusing the "Ten Commandments" of cell phone usage, remember that although most of them are not illegal (the exception being rule five in certain states), these guidelines could determine whether you're cell phone savvy or stupid.

The Cell Phone Ten Commandments

Courtesy of Dan Briody, InfoWorld, as found at www.pcworld.com

*Thou shalt not subject defenseless onlookers to cell phone conversations. When people cannot escape the banality of your conversation—on a plane, on a train, on a bus, in a cab, or at the dinner table—spare them.

*Thou shalt not set thy ringer to play "La Cucaracha" every time thy phone rings. Or Beethoven's Fifth, or the Bee Gees, or any other annoying melody. Is it not enough that phones go off every other second?

*Thou shalt turn thy cell phone off during public performances. I'm not even sure this one needs saying, but given the repeated violations of this heretofore unwritten law, I felt compelled to include it.

*Thou shalt not wear more than two wireless devices on thy belt. This hasn't become a big problem yet. But with plenty of technojockeys sporting pagers and phones, Batman-esque utility belts are sure to follow. Let's nip this one in the bud.

*Thou shalt not dial while driving. In all seriousness, this madness has to stop. There are enough people in the world who have problems mastering vehicles and phones individually.

And furthermore ...

*Thou shalt not wear thy earpiece in the presence of thy friends. This is not unlike being on the phone and carrying on another conversation with someone who is physically in your presence. No one knows if you're here or there.

*Thou shalt not speak louder on thy cell phone than thou would on any other phone. These things have incredibly sensitive microphones, and it's gotten to the point where I can tell if someone is calling me from a cell because of the way they are talking, not how it sounds. If your signal cuts out, speaking louder won't help, unless the person is actually within earshot.

*Thou shalt not grow too attached to thy cell phone. For obvious reasons, a dependency on constant communication is not healthy. At work, go nuts. At home, give it a rest.

*Thou shalt not attempt to impress with thy cell phone. Not only is using a cell phone no longer impressive in any way (unless it's one of those really cool new phones with the space-age design), when it is used for that reason, said user can be immediately identified as a neophyte and a poseur.

*Thou shalt not slam thy cell phone down on a restaurant table just in case it rings. This is not the Old West, and you are not a gunslinger sitting down to a game of poker in the saloon. Could you please be a little less conspicuous? If it rings, you'll hear it just as well if it's in your coat pocket or clipped on your belt.

University professor Ulmer named chair of Judaic studies

By Rachel Gold
Senior Writer

With a desire to provide a more diverse curricular profile, the University hired Assistant Professor of Religion Rivka Ulmer as the MacArthur Chair of Jewish Studies.

Associate Professor and Chair of the Religion Department Carol White said that the need for a faculty position in Jewish studies also stemmed from a desire to expand offerings within the religion department.

"The field of Jewish studies, as it has developed in the United States in the last 30 years, encompasses a broad collection of disciplinary approaches including literature, philosophy, sociology, anthropology, textual and foreign language study and international relations," White said. "The field of Jewish Studies covers broad regions of the globe and encompasses important questions about racial, ethnic, political and religious identities."

Ulmer is well-qualified for her position. Her research includes rabbinic literature in its sociological and historical context, Hebrew manuscripts, Jewish Legal history (halakah), comparative religion, Jewish magic, Jews in Germany, Jews in Egypt and the history, theology and philosophy of Judaism from the classical period to modernity. She is the author of 10 books and numerous articles.

Ulmer has extensive experience teaching at institutions of higher learning. She has taught at Brown University, Harvard, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion and the University of Copenhagen, and was most recently at the University of Pennsylvania.

The Religion department feels honored to have Ulmer.

"Professor Ulmer is a distinguished scholar of international fame," White said. "The department sought someone who would strongly and positively represent Bucknell University to the scholarly, religious and national communities as a reflection of its dedication to diversity in both scholarly course offerings and student population. We have found such a person in Professor Ulmer."

Ulmer plans on using her position as the MacArthur Chair, a position partially funded by a grant from the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur foundation, to increase campus knowledge and awareness about Judaism.

There are only eight students in her class, Matriarchs, Daughters and Wives: Women in Jewish Literature, Law and History.

"The students seem very interested in the topics we discuss. Unfortunately, there are only women in the class. I was hoping there would be some males, but the dynamic of the class is wonderful," Ulmer said. "All the students keep journals and since it is a small class, everyone feels comfortable enough to share personal accounts."

Marnina Cherkin '05 is taking Ulmer's course and finds it an interesting part of her education.

"I enjoy the class because it enriches my knowledge of my own religion. We study feminist perspectives on Jewish texts because the majority of them, if not all texts from antiquity were written and reviewed by men," Cherkin said. "Looking at these texts, like the Torah and the Misnah, allows us to learn about women and their roles in society."

Ulmer feels that it is important for students to learn about the Bible and New Testament when studying Judaism. She uses a Bible puzzle to allow students the opportunity for hands-on activities that make learning about the Bible more entertaining. Ulmer believes that the study of canonization is also important.

"Judaism has a lot to offer. It is important for students to learn about more than just the Bible and the Holocaust, although those are two very important topics, but to also view Judaism as a civilization and learn about various aspects of the culture," Ulmer said.

White agrees with Ulmer that it is important for students to learn about all cultures.

"Courses in Jewish Studies not only complement those currently offered in the religion department, but enrich the entire curriculum of the College of Arts and Sciences, particularly in the humanities and social sciences, by filling a lacuna in the curriculum that we can no longer afford to ignore," White said.

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Rivka Ulmer

Cherkin feels that the course provides her with a different perspective on Judaism. She also agrees that studying religion is valuable to students.

"I think it is important to study religion because even though it seems that we live in a secular society, religion is a dominant force. It is important to learn about all religions since they are influential in global decisions," Cherkin said.

White believes that the addition of Ulmer and her position will benefit the Jewish Studies program.

"[The MacArthur Chair of Jewish Studies] will add rich disciplinary and cultural diversity to the courses available for all students at Bucknell, and add courses in areas under-represented in the curriculum," White said.

Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian

Professor Rivka Ulmer, of the religion department at the University, has recently been named the MacArthur Chair of Jewish Studies. Ulmer plans to increase campus knowledge and awareness about Judaism.

Ulmer regularly visits Berelson Center for Jewish Life to talk with the students. She is interested in learning from students what it is like to be Jewish in America. With the money she is given with the MacArthur title, Ulmer intends to bring Jewish speakers and musical performers to the University.

"I want to bring a klezmer band, which plays Middle Eastern music, and also well known musical artists," Ulmer said.

The University has a lot of new programs to look forward to now that Ulmer is chair. Educationally and culturally, the University is developing. The University campaign funded Jewish Life and Learning fund that has helped to bring in a full-time Jewish chaplain and provide support to the Jewish chaplain office. During the past two years, the University has sponsored visiting distinguished scholars positions and a Jewish colloquium series, bringing to campus a number of important scholars in a variety of areas of Jewish Studies, including literature, philosophy, ethics and gender.

"Jewish studies at Bucknell is not just about understanding Jewish religion, but rather a complex and rich history and lineage of intellectual thought, social, political and cultural developments," White said.

Ulmer agrees with the importance of religious studies.

"Everyone should take a course about Judaism. You learn about yourself and humanities in general. The Bible is important for all of Western society," Ulmer said.

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Abroad perspective: London, England

By Jennifer Jenchura
Senior Writer

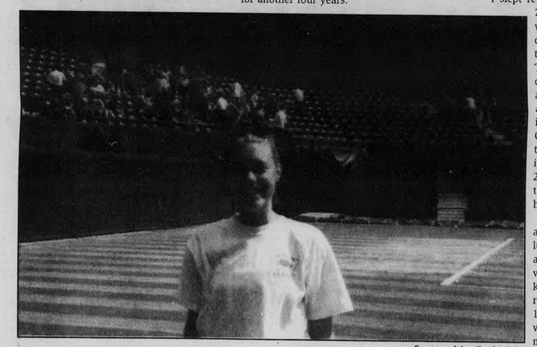
This past summer England was in love with England, and I witnessed the fascination. "The festival atmosphere around the capital." "It was a champagne atmosphere." These are actual newspaper quotes used to describe the intense spirit of nationalism felt among the English when I stepped off of my first trans-Atlantic flight in London last June.

I began to think an internship in a foreign country was a wonderful opportunity to go abroad, work in a field of interest, gain valuable lifelong skills and grow as an individual. Surprisingly, I was not nervous about leaving the continent for the first time and going to live in a triple room with college students I did not yet know. I just left and hoped for the best. I was soon taking London's public transportation system, the Tube, to work every day, just like any other Brit!

I lived in a big house near Notting Hill with 20 other American college student interns. I was set up with an internship related to my major in a small firm in the financial district and was exposed to all the facets of the firm, doing real projects and working with British people.

The best part of my experience was working with the people. Every Monday, they wanted a full update on how I spent my weekend and what I saw. Although I had to work most of the week, I was able to visit France, Scotland and Ireland, in addition to many places within England such as Bath, Brighton, Salisbury, Stonehenge, Leed's Castle and Windsor.

It took me a couple of weeks to realize that this particular summer was a very special one for England. Not only had I arrived on this special four-day weekend to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Queen Elizabeth II's reign, the night before I arrived, over a million people showed up at Buckingham Palace for a pop concert and three tons of fireworks. Needless to say, the morale of the country was extremely high. The Queen's Golden Jubilee was in full force and World Cup soccer was to start soon.



Courtesy of Jennifer Jenchura

Jenchura standing by Court No. 1 after a long night of camping out for Wimbledon tickets. A number of tickets are traditionally set aside for last-minute purchase the day of play.

It did not take me long to adjust to pubs opening at 7 a.m. to catch the World Cup games broadcast live from Korea, especially when a roaring cheer erupted from within the city each time a goal was scored—loud enough to wake me up. I claimed more popular English sports such as soccer and tennis as my new pastimes. My friends and I watched the games at nearby pubs, just to feel the famous atmosphere. The streets were almost empty while any pub, bar or coffee shop with a television was crammed with England fans.

The path to Buckingham Palace was still decorated with flags to celebrate the Queen's 50-year reign, but soccer (football to them) became England's new monarchy. I was amazed to find out that most of the population knew at least one player on the team and that most offices either had radios tuned to every game or were frequently checking the BBC sports Web pages, even during games that England was not playing in. With poster boy David Beckham as England's steadfast captain, just about every single woman seemed to be in love with the English soccer player. His name repeatedly popped up in conversations all over town with English supporters talking about his extensive media coverage and penalty kick skills.

As Beckham led England to a pivotal 1-0 upset over mighty Argentina, more than four million people across the country skipped work to watch. It might as well have been a national holiday. Never mind the Jubilee—God save English football.

Even a non-sports fan would have appreciated the electric atmosphere displayed by the countless flags expressing encouragement for England. People were proud to be English. Even a couple of weeks later when the actual Jubilee celebrations had ended and Brazil knocked England out of the World Cup, the mood did not waver. Wimbledon tennis became the focal point of nationalism, especially when a Brit still had a chance to claim victory in men's singles.

The World Cup is held every four years, and this year England was much more successful than in 1998. It was not uncommon to see people wearing red St. George's crosses painted on each fingernail symbolizing England, which the Union Jack does not do.

The Union Jack is the flag of Britain—England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. England has its own flag just like the other countries. England is part of Britain, yet they are still a fairly independent bunch; the soccer team was English, not British.

England rediscovered a love for the St. George's flag, though the joy of victory was followed by the disappointment of a defeat by Brazil. The fact that so many people from different backgrounds can wrap themselves in this antique symbol shows that there might be a little chivalry behind the blinding, beery bravado.

As the final whistle blew between England and Brazil, the sweet dreams had all evaporated and a hangover engulfed the country. Instead of the loud cheers, waves of anguished gasps floated out of packed pubs and into the empty side streets. I visited Covent Garden Market later that day, but it was not until I returned to there two weeks later and saw what a crowded area it is supposed to be did I realize how collectively depressed the entire nation really was on the Friday that England's World Cup hopes died.

What is even more amazing is that the whole event is a sight that won't be repeated for another four years.

Although in terms of morale it was a weekend of dejection and despair for England, but pride was revived that Monday when Wimbledon began. This famous annual event seemed to rescue the hearts of a nation desperate to continue to celebrate their happy spirit that had started three weeks before with the Jubilee.

What is different about this sporting event is that the tournament sets aside a substantial number of tickets for purchase on the day of play. Thousands of people sleep out overnight and form a long line in hopes of a chance at good seats. With this method, England can rest assured that every match will be packed. There is a general lottery for advance ticket sales, but since the '20s, tennis fans have been lining up for last-minute tickets to Wimbledon in what has become known simply as "the queue."

One of my friends from work told me about the thrill of queuing (waiting in line) at Wimbledon. I asked my roommate what she thought about sleeping under the stars at Wimbledon Park. At this point Wimbledon was already in the third round of play and I warned her that it would be crowded. Even if we queued for hours we still might not get in. We also had no tent, just the comforters from our beds. In spite of these reasons, we thought we would give it a shot and I am glad we did.

We dressed in layers, packed our comforters into suitcases and hopped on the Tube to Southfields Station. We joined the queue around midnight. Queuing for the championships is, for many, part of the "Wimbledon Experience." The atmosphere was rich with excitement. The air was filled with smoke from barbecues, there were several card games going on and everyone appeared to be in good spirits. Hundreds of queue stewards made sure it remained orderly. We asked some locals what our chances of getting tickets were. They said you never know how close to the front of the two-mile line you are because there are two lines from opposite directions that converge into the turnstiles at the entrance in the morning. We were confident we would get ground admission, but we hoped for tickets to a major court.

I slept remarkably well and promptly at 7:30 a.m., the queue supervisors woke us up and informed us the queue would be moving towards the turnstiles at exactly 8 a.m. The sun was shining and everyone was out to enjoy the day ahead. Tennis club officials added to the excitement by giving out free guides and stickers. Closer to the turnstiles, volunteers distributed stickers declaring "I've Queued At Wimbledon 2002," which fans affixed to their jackets like badges of honor.

The queue moved along and at about 10 a.m., we stored our luggage for the day and soon after officials came around with wristbands for courts where the key contests are played. My roommate and I chose Court No. 1 and were ecstatic that we would be sitting in on some major matches with top-ranked players. Although I was just a novice tennis fan, the pubs had replaced soccer with tennis matches all week, so I recognized a few of the better-known players on my court, including American Jennifer Capriati.

After going through security and waiting some more, we were finally able to purchase the tickets we had wristbands for. I was so excited to be going to Court 1 that I did not care where I would be sitting, which was good because you do not get a choice. The officials simply look for your wristband and hand out random tickets that could be for anywhere in the stadium.

Inside, Wimbledon was gorgeous and filled with flowers. It was like entering a garden except only tennis players were allowed to stand on the grass tennis courts. You do not see any tacky court advertising at Wimbledon. It represented a bit of purity in a world of over-commercialized events.

I realized England was in rare form that summer as the country had united in spirit over the Queen's Golden Jubilee, World Cup soccer and Wimbledon all within a month of each other ... Needless to say, the morale of the country was extremely high.

We went right to the entrance level printed on the tickets. I was puzzled at first because the only seats in front of us were the first 15 rows of the very bottom of the whole stadium near the grass. Those seats have the best views, so I thought they couldn't possibly be ours. Like a little kid at Christmas, I peaked down near the very bottom rows just to see if the seat number matched my ticket. The day just got better and better especially when we realized that we indeed had tickets to Court 1 of Wimbledon in the third row from the ground!

I had never been to a tennis match before, but I was in awe of the formal processes of judges entering and players entering wearing their tennis whites (a requirement for Wimbledon). The crowd was very much into the matches. Unlike most of the popular American sporting events, fans here clapped for good play, not because they were rooting for a particular player.

The Capriati match was the most crowded. I could not believe I was almost close enough to touch the grass. Being so close, you could see the emotion on the players' faces.

There were a total of five matches scheduled on our court and I stayed for every one of them. In the middle of the afternoon, my friend and I decided that in honor of our great day we should treat ourselves to champagne along with Wimbledon's famous strawberries-and-cream dessert.

My day at Wimbledon was the best day of my whole trip abroad. The guards practically had to usher me out after the last match of the day was finally called for darkness around 7 p.m. By the time I picked up my luggage and took the crowded Tube home, it was about 11 p.m. I could not believe I had spent the past 24 hours at Wimbledon. I enjoyed every second of it. (So much that I even called my mom at 5 a.m. EST to have her look for me on television.)

When I arrived back to Notting Hill, I was exhilarated and in disbelief that I had been a part of the aura that takes place only on the hallowed All-England Club grass courts.

Working and living in England last summer was the one of best experiences of my life. Once I left, I realized England was in rare form that summer as the country had united in spirit over the Queen's Golden Jubilee, World Cup soccer and Wimbledon all within a month of each other.

Living in the city and working with Londoners exposed me to the culture in a way other programs could not. My internship more than exceeded my expectations; I got more out of the experience than I ever imagined possible.

Courtesy of Jennifer Jenchura

Jenchura standing in front of Leed's Castle, which is located in Kent, England, half an hour southeast of London. Jenchura spent her summer abroad in London during the time of the Queen's 50th anniversary celebration and the World Cup.

Courtesy of Jennifer Jenchura

Jenchura and friends (from left to right: Jennelle Edwards, Audra Peterson, Hilary Sullivan and Jenchura) on the pier overlooking the English Channel. Jenchura had an internship with a small firm in the financial district of London.

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Meal plan conversions plagued by problems

By Rachel Laskow
Editor-in-Chief

Despite a conversion date of Oct. 28, Dining Services is still in the process of changing new fraternity members' meal plans to their respective houses.

"What happened this year was that there were a number of new people involved in the process," Director of Dining Services Tim Tenon said.

The conversion is also taking longer than expected because there has been a delay with the conversion forms that new members have to fill out. According to Assistant Director for Fraternity and Sorority Affairs Shauna Irwin, fraternities should have been able to provide new members with the appropriate forms from Administrative Services.

"It is an unfortunate situation and it was compounded when people didn't get the forms and the conversions couldn't be made in a timely manner," Tenon said.

Tenon said Dining Services will still recognize the Oct. 28 conversion date.

"We will search the meal plan usage of the pledges. If they haven't gone over their allotted usage, we will not penalize them for the lateness of forms. If they have gone over their totals, we will only charge for those

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Homecoming hosts and hostesses chosen

Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian

Back row, from left: Aaron DeRosa, Amanda Robie, Omar Zalatimo, Sharif Kotb, Melissa Milanak; Front row: Laura Day, Jenny Schlack, Nikhil Menon. The Homecoming hosts and hostesses were first nominated by student organizations, faculty and staff and approved by a screening committee before being voted upon by the entire student body.

By Jennifer Jenchura
Senior Writer

It's that special time of year when Bucknellians both young and old truly feel the spirit of our University—when we invite alumni back to campus to see our progress and pride. Together we celebrate the University's life, past and present. Eight Homecoming hosts and hostesses are elected from the student body to reign over the weekend's festivities.

Leading this year's activities are the Homecoming hosts and hostesses—Seniors Laura Day, Melissa Milanak, Amanda Robie, Jenny Schlack, Aaron DeRosa, Sharif Kotb, Nikhil Menon and Omar Zalatimo.

"The process to select hosts and hostesses lasts about a month. In the fall, registered student organizations, faculty and staff are invited to nominate seniors for host/hostess. Then, a screening committee studies the nominations and narrows the field to 12 men and 12 women to be on the final voting ballot. The committee considers who would represent the senior class well in their commitment to Bucknell through academics, social service, athletics and loyalty to the University. Finally, the entire student body votes to select the final four hosts and four hostesses," said Kristin Stetler, assistant director of the Office of Alumni, Parents and Volunteers.

Each year, the host and hostesses are a group of some of the most involved students that the University community will ever encounter. These students carry on a 31-year tradition at the University and represent

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Faculty Approves Living Wage, Merit Aid

Living Wage

— Faculty approves $9.00 wage floor for all University support staff, as soon as fiscally possible

CONDITIONS

- $1.25 million projected cost for implementation
- Does not include benefits
- Does not include student employees
- Staff positions to be re-evaluated, to keep wages proportional to level of work

Merit Aid

— Faculty approves pilot plan outlining experimental implementation of merit aid

OBJECTIVES

- Strengthen reputation of University, increase student diversity
- Enroll more middle-income students
- Enroll more performing arts students
- Maintain ROTC program
- Promote athletic equality

Living Wage

By Sandi-Jo Galati *News Editor*

Members of the faculty voted in support of a living wage motion proposed by Associate Professor of Geography Paul Susman and Professor of Religion Mary Evelyn Tucker. The motion recommended to University President Steffen Rogers "the immediate implementation of a wage floor of at least $9 per hour for all Bucknell support staff (including Dining Services)" at a faculty meeting held Monday.

"I interpret the faculty's vote for the motion as a statement of support for Bucknell to do everything it can to live up to its Mission Statement call for 'compassion, civility and a sense of justice,' and to encourage the administration to find the money to ensure that every staff worker gets enough to cover basic living costs," Susman said.

Susman's motion arose from a recommendation presented to the faculty by the University Committee on Planning and Budget at the September faculty meeting. The proposal, commissioned by the administration last spring, called for a minimum $9 per hour wage after four years of successfully holding a position at the University.

Susman instead motioned that the $9 per hour wage be implemented as soon as the University budget permitted.

"My view is that a living wage, one that would enable a family to live without needing public or private assistance, should be a moral obligation. People should be paid enough to put food on the table and buy clothes for their children," Susman said. "That's why my motion recommends 'immediate implementation.'"

Susman's initial motion at the September faculty meeting was what he believes to be the impetus for Rogers and the administration to develop a wage plan for $9 per hour to be implemented pending budgetary allowances.

"My hope is that the president will work hard to find the funds so that all Bucknell staff workers will have at least $9 per hour plus benefits," Susman said.

Rogers presented a preliminary plan to the faculty in which he recommended that Vision 2010 resources be committed to increased nominal wage, salary compression, performance evaluations, promotions and rewards.

"I had already committed to increasing the wage," Rogers said. "I have also talked to people about putting a plan in place as a component of Vision 2010."

Rogers also committed to hiring an external firm that would classify all employment positions on campus to ensure "equal pay for equal work, no matter who you happen to be at the University."

A study set to be complete by January 2004 will make certain that a

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Merit Aid

Members of the faculty voted in support of a pilot plan outlining the experimental implementation of merit aid and rejected a proposal to distribute monies allocated to the athletic component of merit aid equally among all sports at a special faculty meeting last Monday. The pilot program was initially presented to the faculty last month by the Committee on Admissions and Financial Aid (CAFA,) headed by Assistant Professor of Psychology Arthur Shapiro.

"The greater Bucknell community has gone through a long, thoughtful process in considering the concept of merit aid and responding to the current program design," Vice President of Enrollment Management Kurt Thiede said. "Given the institution's long-standing position on need-based financial aid, this lengthy discussion was necessary to get us to the place we are now."

Prior to endorsing the merit aid plan, the faculty voted against a proposal by Professor of Geography and Environmental Studies Ben Marsh to amend the section of the CAFA plan that limited the athletic component of merit aid to basketball players, and instead extend athletic merit aid to all sports.

The justification for the motion set forth by Marsh was aimed to guarantee the same equality among students participating on athletic teams and students in the classroom.

"If we look at the academic portion [of the merit aid pilot plan] we see grants designed for students to contribute to the entire community," Marsh said. "We should treat athletics as we do all else."

Just as students receiving merit aid for exhibiting outstanding academic or performing arts skills will enrich all other students, Marsh contended that students on all athletic teams should be granted the opportunity to participate with a student awarded merit aid.

"Good questions have been asked throughout this process and I believe good answers have been provided," Thiede said. "We are entering this 'new territory' cautiously—an appropriate approach, with a measured plan that will guide our future decisions."

Entering the "new territory" of merit aid is a decision that ultimately will be the responsibility of the Board of Trustees at its meeting later this month. The results of both faculty votes will be available for the board in determining whether or not merit aid is an appropriate direction for the University.

Faculty involvement in the implementation of merit aid began last February with a special faculty meeting, in which faculty members were given the opportunity to voice preliminary concerns regarding merit aid. These concerns were brought before the Board of Trustees at its April meeting, during which the board approved merit aid implementation and commissioned CAFA to draft a pilot program for merit aid with the stipulation that it would be written with strict adherence to

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Cavanagh delivers inaugural lecture for biomed engineering

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Named the Emmitt Memorial Chair of biomedical engineering, David Cavanagh delivered a speech about the importance of the new major at the University. Biomedical engineering will be offered to students as a new major next fall.

By Elisabeth Salemme
Staff Writer

Assistant Professor of Biochemical and Chemical Engineering Daniel Cavanagh gave the inaugural Emmitt lecture in biomedical engineering entitled "Biomedical Engineering: New Opportunities in Education, Research and Industry" last Saturday.

Biomedical engineering is a new major that will be implemented at the University next fall.

Cavanagh has been named the William C. and Gertrude B. Emmitt Memorial Chair in biomedical engineering. William and Gertrude Emmitt are being honored by their children, Virginia '59, Richard '67 and William Jr. '69, with a $3.2 million gift that established the William C. and Gertrude B. Emmitt Memorial Chair in biomedical engineering. The gift will allow biomedical engineering to evolve from a minor at the University to a major.

"There are some things that happen at a university that change that university forever, and the idea of having a biomedical program at Bucknell is one such as that. However, you can't just have the idea. You have to have the support to make that idea a reality and that is what has happened here in the last two or three years," University President Steffen Rogers said. "We've seen a wonderful idea that grew from the faculty to create a program for themselves and for their students and to find the Socratic support we have received from the Emmitt family to make that idea a reality."

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Public Safety Log

Wednesday, Oct. 30

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—Public Safety responded to Swartz hall for a fire alarm activation and discovered that unknown person(s) activated a pull station for no reason. The incident is under investigation.

INFORMATION / POWER OUTAGE—The University and surrounding areas experienced a 3.5 hour loss of power due to weather conditions. Public Safety contacted the appropriate University officials and personnel to handle the issue.

INFORMATION / SUSPICIOUS INCIDENT OFF CAMPUS—A student reported to Public Safety that she, and at least one other person, became ill after consuming beverages at an off-campus restaurant a weak earlier. The students suspected that unknown person(s) had placed an unknown substance in their drinks. The report was filed too late for any forensic testing to be completed. Information was shared with the police.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student requested transportation to Evangelical Community Hospital for treatment of a toothache. A Student Health Services driver contacted and transported the student, who later returned to campus.

HARASSMENT BY COMMUNICATIONS—A parent reported that he received a suspicious call at his off-campus home soliciting funds for the University. Upon investigation, it was determined that the caller was not a student. Public Safety recommended that he contact the local police department.

VANDALISM—A student reported to Public Safety that his vehicle was egged by unknown person(s) while parked in the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity parking lot. The incident is under investigation.

Friday, Nov. 1

VANDALISM—A Public Safety dispatcher reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) had struck the Public Safety building with paintballs shot from a paintball gun. The incident is under investigation.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION / POSSESSION—Public Safety responded to Vedder Hall for the report of underage drinking. Upon arrival, Public Safety cited a University student for underage drinking and two University students for underage possession of alcohol in their room.

Saturday, Nov. 2

FOUND PROPERTY—While on routine patrol, Public Safety found a bicycle on the grass on Seventh Street near Moore AveNUE. The bicycle was returned to Public Safety for storage until the owner can be located.

INFORMATION / WELFARE CHECK—Public Safety received a call from the parents of a student to check on their son's welfare. Public Safety and University officials attempted to locate the student with negative results. The student later responded to a note placed on his door and reported that he was well.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—An employee reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) broke five window panes in an external door at McDonnell Hall. The incident is under investigation.

INFORMATION / BROKEN WINDOW—Public Safety responded to McDonnell Hall for the report of a broken window. No witnesses or suspects could be located in a search of the area.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—Public Safety responded to a report of underage consumption at Smith Hall. Upon arrival, it was determined that three individuals were non-University students and they were escorted off campus. One individual was a student who had consumed alcohol, although under the age of 21. The student was cited by the University and Lewisburg Police Department for underage consumption.

Sunday, Nov. 3

VEHICLE ACCIDENT / HIT & RUN—While on routine patrol on Fraternity Road, Public Safety was stopped by a Susquehanna Transit Company bus driver who reported a vehicle had struck the rear of the bus and left the scene. Upon investigation, the reported vehicle and student driver were located and taken into custody by East Buffalo Township Police Department. University charges are pending. The investigation continues.

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—Public Safety responded to a fire alarm at Vedder Hall, which was caused by a discharged fire extinguisher in the stairwell area. No witnesses or suspects could be located in a search of the area. The incident is under investigation.

Monday, Nov. 4

INFORMATION / DISORDERLY STUDENT—Public Safety responded to Marts Hall for the report of a student harassing an office employee. The student was gone when the officer arrived. The employee was advised to call Public Safety, should the student return.

INFORMATION / SUSPICIOUS PERSON OFF CAMPUS—A student contacted Public Safety and advised that a suspicious male had been loitering near her off-campus residence and knocked on the door and spoke with both her and her roommate on several occasions. The student advised Public Safety that she felt unsafe. Lewisburg Police Department responded to take a report.

INFORMATION—Public Safety responded to Trax Hall for the report that unknown person(s) removed the screen from a student's ground floor window. No signs of entry were detected.

Tuesday, Nov. 5

INFORMATION / WELFARE CHECK—A University official requested that Public Safety attempt to contact a student whose mother was concerned for her welfare. Public Safety responded to Coleman Hall and spoke with the student, who was well.

INFORMATION / WELFARE CHECK—A student's mother contacted Public Safety and requested someone check on the welfare of her son, who resides in the Delta Upsilon Fraternity House. Public Safety made contact with the student's roommates, who advised Public Safety the student was well. A message was left for the student, with his roommate, to contact his home residence.

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a diversity of majors, athletic interests, cultures and social service actions. Their collective activities range from president of the senior class to resident assistant, soloist and treasurer of Two Past Midnight, ROTC-cadet battalion commander and an editor on *The Bucknellian*.

"The eight seniors selected represent the true meaning of Bucknell spirit. They are very well-rounded, and they seem to care about the Bucknell community and the community at large. On top of this, they have a keen awareness of the importance of their academic work and have committed themselves to balancing their workload and leadership on campus," Stetler said.

All the hosts and hostesses have expressed how honored they feel to have the support of both students and faculty in recognition of their accomplishments while at the University.

"It is undoubtedly an honor and an exhilarating feeling to be selected as a Homecoming host. I am overwhelmed to be representing the Class of 2003 this weekend," Menon said. "Being a Homecoming host is a great end to my Bucknell life, but I strongly believe that it is also a beginning to my life as a Bucknellian outside of the University."

All of the hosts and hostesses agreed that this honor does not change them, but as they prepare to start the next phase of their lives, each feels that their overall four-year Bucknell experience has cultivated a deep personal growth.

"My experiences at Bucknell have provided me with the traditional collegiate atmosphere that offered each student the space and setting to grow and mature in character, as well as intellect," Day said. "I will always remember Bucknell as home to my close friends, tough challenges, satisfying accomplishments and the catalyst that guided and prepared me for the next step in life. The lessons I have learned will carry with me through all my future endeavors."

Some students came onto campus ready to be leaders, while others had to work hard to discover where they fit into the University culture. The University has allowed for personal growth and inspired many to become leaders within their own communities.

"I am a very different person now from when I arrived at Bucknell as a freshman. When I first got here, I was quiet and did not really speak out. Ever since I got involved on campus through the Residential Colleges, my musical experiences and everything else I have done, I have allowed myself to become more outspoken and open," Robie said. "Bucknell has allowed me to mature throughout my four years here. I have loved my experiences and made the most of the college experience. I believe I have become a better, more mature person because of my time as a Bucknellian."

As a collaborative group, the hosts and hostesses represent many parts of the University. Having the opportunity to be a Homecoming host or hostesses is also a symbolic honor bestowed only upon highly motivated individuals.

"By being a hostess, I represent pride and school spirit for the Class of 2003. Being a member of the Homecoming Court is a symbol of the dedication, commitment and love I feel for this institution. Bucknell has made me a better person in that is has allowed me to excel and build upon the foundation that was already me," Schlack said.

The hosts' and hostesses' role goes beyond the weekend's festivities, as hosts and hostesses will be strong representatives of their class for future alumni events.

"Being a hostess is another wonderful opportunity and experience to help me be more active in happenings with the University and to contribute to the campus community. It helps me gain another perspective into Bucknell," Milanak said.

The hosts and hostesses will be honored today by the Alumni Association Board of Directors and attend the McDonnell Hall Dedication. On Saturday, they will serve as greeters at the O'Leary Psychology and Geology Center Dedication and at the all-campus post-game reception. They will also be recognized during halftime of the football game vs. Lafayette. Once they graduate, they will be asked to remain strong representatives of their class for event and reunion planning.

"Hosts and hostesses will be able to service as a bridge between the Class of 2003 and Bucknell in the future," Menon said.

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extra meals, and not the total number of days until we get the forms processed," Tenon said.

Traditionally, new members have been able to eat at their fraternities after accepting a bid.

"Right off the bat, we want pledges eating at the house. We want pledges to get to know brothers," said Aziz Megji '03, Interfraternity Council President and member of Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity.

Irwin also recognizes the importance of new fraternity members being able to eat with their new brothers.

"It is important that bonds be built between brothers and new members. I also challenge people to look at other ways to build bonds," Irwin said.

According to Megji, both the fraternities and new members lose money during this time period because the fraternities feed new members. At the same time, many new members are not using their Dining Services meal plans.

Sigma Phi Epsilon (Sig Ep) President Brian Lowe '03 feels that new members eating at the house is a privilege that comes with joining most fraternities.

"Instead of having to deal with the overcrowding of the Bison and the cafeteria, and the strict hours and rules placed upon students, members who come to the house can have meals throughout the week and have access to food 24 hours a day, every day," Lowe said.

This year, Dining Services requires that students who convert to a fraternity meal plan maintain seven meals per week, or 50 blocks with Dining Services. For example, new members who had a 19-meal-a-week plan, will receive credit for 12 meals. They can put the credit towards the fraternity meal plan.

"I committed to Dean Ferraro and Shauna Irwin that I will make an effort to complete the process as soon as possible and keep the individuals from suffering financially," Tenon said.

Lowe does not think that the conversion is fair because he believes it is a way for Dining Services to keep students' money that they would normally never intend to use. According to Lowe, a meal plan that costs $1,338 at the beginning of the year is worth only $262, with nearly half a semester remaining.

"This is money that should rightfully be a student's money. Meal plan conversions have long been an expected and fair system in which both fraternities and Dining Services worked together. This year marks the first year that this is not the case," Lowe said.

According to Lowe, Sig Ep has had a difficult time with the conversion process.

"Typically fraternities budget based on the money they will receive from the conversion of meal plans. With us basically getting back a third of what we had planned on, we are working on ways to come up with the nearly $10,000 shortfall the Dining Services has left us with to pay our kitchen expenses," Lowe said.

Tenon said Dining Services has planned for the conversion.

"We had budgeted that there would be a conversion in late October, so it doesn't put a burden on us that we didn't plan for," he said.

Members of the Greek community and Dining Services have plans to make the process easier in the future. Tenon believes that a written policy and procedure would help the matter in the future.

"After we get everything finished for this year, we will start setting time frames for next year. If we have a firm conversion date, we can let fraternities know in the spring what pledge credit would be so they can plan ahead for the fall," Tenon said.

Irwin suggested that people be given the conversion forms during Fall Recruitment, so that they would be more informed about the conversion and could ask brothers questions about the conversion.

Although there were some challenges in the conversion process, Irwin sees the situation as a learning process.

"It is nice that people can see that there is a collaboration between this office, fraternities and Dining Services," Irwin said.

World Briefs

Compiled by Andrew Burr

Courtesy of MSNBC.com

Fastow pleads innocent to 78-count indictment

HOUSTON—Former Enron Corp. Chief Financial Officer Andrew Fastow pleaded innocent Wednesday to a 78-count federal indictment charging him with masterminding complex financial schemes that enriched him and helped doom the energy trading powerhouse.

Victorious GOP moves on issues

Riding an election wave that put Republicans in control of the House and Senate, the Bush administration on Wednesday made clear it would move quickly on two priorities: creating a homeland defense agency and stimulating the economy with permanent tax breaks. Republicans held the House going into Tuesday's midterm elections and consolidated their power by seizing the Senate when Democratic incumbents lost in Missouri and Georgia.

New charges against sniper suspects

FAIRFAX, Va.—Authorities in Fairfax County, Va., on Wednesday joined the growing list of jurisdictions lining up to prosecute suspected snipers John Allen Muhammad and John Lee Malvo, announcing that the pair had been charged in the fatal shooting of an FBI analyst on Oct. 14.

Four arrested in drugs-for-weapons plot

WASHINGTON—U.S. agents arrested four people in a drugs-for-weapons investigation, charging them with plotting to deliver $25 million worth of weapons to a Colombian terrorist group, Attorney General John Ashcroft said Wednesday.

White House in hunt to fill SEC Chairman seat

WASHINGTON—Harvey Pitt's resignation as head of the Securities and Exchange Commission was just the first inkling that the White House was in for a night of good news. A sweeping GOP victory at the polls removed the need for any political maneuvering by the White House over Pitt's departure, White House sources said. Despite the celebrations, White House officials late Tuesday were already revamping what one source called "our dog-eared short list" of candidates to replace Pitt.

DNA identifies Titanic mystery child

TORONTO—Nearly a century ago, Canadian sailors buried an unidentified infant who died on the Titanic and, touched by the tragedy, called him the Unknown Child—a symbol of all the children who were lost when the luxury liner sank. Now at last, the child is known. On Tuesday, Magda Schleifer, a retired Finnish bank clerk, visited the grave, which DNA tests have now established holds the remains of one of her relatives.

Gay sheep shed light on sexuality

Gay sheep that mate only with other rams have different brain structures from "straight" sheep, a finding that may shed light on human sexuality, U.S. researchers said on Monday. The differences are similar to those seen in some homosexual humans, but probably only go a small way to explaining the causes of different sexual preferences, the team at Oregon Health Sciences University said.

Yemen attack raises legal questions

The United States took a bold step in its global war on terrorism this week when a CIA-operated unmanned aircraft blasted a vehicle to bits in the Yemeni desert, killing six alleged members of al-Qaida. The killings also raised questions about the legal underpinning for such tactics—and whether the U.S. military has the right to use them anywhere in the world.

Indonesia holds 10 in bombing probe

JAKARTA, Indonesia—Police are interrogating at least 10 people who may have been involved in the Bali bombings that killed nearly 200 people last month. Brig. Gen. Edward Aritonang, spokesman for an international inquiry team, said Wednesday those being questioned included a man detained in Jakarta and two others who were picked up in the East Java provincial capital of Surabaya on Tuesday.

Chrysler recalls 500,000 minivans

DETROIT—DaimlerChrysler AG's Chrysler unit is recalling about 500,000 minivans because of a possibly misplaced part that could cause the vehicles' air bags, horns or cruise control systems to fail, the automaker said on Wednesday.

Adelphia sues former auditor

NEW YORK—Bankrupt cable television operator Adelphia Communications Corp. Wednesday filed suit against Deloitte & Touche, accusing its former auditor of professional negligence for its failure to stop top Adelphia executives from pillaging the company.

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Aaron DeRosa
Major:English

Aaron has served as the chief editor of the *Mirth Grinder*, sports editor of *The Bucknellian* and president of the Slam Committee. He was awarded the 2002 University Prize for Men, a prize for English literature and composition, held a *West Branch* internship and was named 2001 Mr. Bucknell. After graduation, Aaron plans to pursue his doctorate in English literature at Johns Hopkins University, New York University or University of California at Berkeley.

"Having the courage to put your hand down when you've been convinced that everything you'd previously thought was wrong is the greatest lesson anyone can learn. Changing your mind doesn't show weakness, it's the best argument I can think of in support of evolution. On the road of Bucknell life, there are those who carry their backpacks over their shoulders, and there are those that wheel them around in those little suitcases ... don't be like that. Sling the bag over your shoulder and walk because there is nothing more rewarding than looking back after four years and thinking, 'I carried my bag this far and there's no reason to think I can't keep walking."

Sharif Kotb
Major: Economics with a concentration in finance

Sharif is a member of Bucknell Student Government, serving as as the Class of 2003 vice president. He is also part of the Muslim Student Association, the Middle Eastern Association, the Men's Club Volleyball team and is also a Resident Assistant. He has served internships for J.P. Morgan Chase and Pricewaterhouse Coopers. After graduation, Sharif plans to work in New York for five to 10 years, while working toward his MBA, and then plans to move back to Egypt to start his own business.

"I've had two rewarding experiences while attending Bucknell. Crazy to some, but true ... seeing snow for the first time freshman year, and going skiing a week later. Second, having a close relationship with all or most of the faculty I've interacted with during the past three years. In terms of advice to future Bucknellians, I would have to say work hard and play hard from the first minute you step foot on campus. Only then, can you look back at your college years and not regret a single moment."

Laura Day
Majors: International Relations and French
Minor: Japanese

Laura has been involved in Bucknell Student Government since 1999 and is currently president of the Class of 2003. She worked as an intern and a tour guide for the admissions office, served as both news editor and managing editor of *The Bucknellian*, served on the Fiscal Affairs Committee and the Presidential Advisory Committee. She has served internships with the Union/Snyder County Courthouse, Hydro-Air Components, Inc. and in Congressman Jack Quinn's District Office. Laura has been awarded the Kari M. Conrad Award, the President's Award for Academic Excellence, the Jeanne Litkus award in French, News writer of the Year by *The Bucknellian*, the Coca-Cola Scholarship, Certification in the Japanese Language and has been named to the Mortar Board National College Honor Society. After graduation, Laura plans to attend law school and concentrate in commercial litigation.

"From the day I first looked at Bucknell as a prospective student, the students walking across the academic quad, smiling and laughing, demonstrated the warm and welcoming social climate at this university. When leaving the quad and entering the classroom, the energy and sincere devotion of the professors represented the first-rate academic aura of Bucknell. Without hesitation, maximizing on this balance between academics and character growth has been my most rewarding experience at Bucknell. If I were to leave one piece of advice to the future Bucknell students, I would stress the importance of not taking for granted the extreme wealth of opportunity Bucknell affords each student and to capitalize on these four years in order to grow in both intellect and moral being."

Omar Zalatimo
Major: Biochemistry

Omar is the Bucknell Student Government vice-president for operations, and has served as the Muslim Student Association president and Interfraternity Council Community Service/Philanthropy Chair. Omar is a member of the Community Judicial Board and Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity. He received the The Stephen A. Barowsky Prize, has made the Dean's List and served as Materials Research Science and Engineering Center undergraduate researcher. After graduation, Omar plans on continuing his education in medical school.

"My most rewarding experiences at Bucknell have been being an orientation assistant and a teaching assistant. I enjoyed those experiences because I was able to help the newer students get acquainted with our school. The greatest piece of advice I can give future Bucknellians is that our University is unique, in that it provides us with the opportunity to do anything we desire. We have faculty, administration and staff who are very open and willing to help us in all of our endeavors. Make the best of these once-in-a-lifetime opportunities."

Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian

Jenny Sue Schlack
Major: Secondary Education/English

Jenny is a Battalion Commander for ROTC, was a Resident Assistant, women's rugby president, varsity cheerleader, Student Ambassador Coordinator for Reunion 2002, Senior Gift Drive solicitor and an Executive Board member in Alpha Chi Omega Sorority. She is a National Advanced Leadership Regimental Honor graduate and a Distinguished Military Graduate of Bucknell University for 2003. She was also named Mortar Board National College Senior Honor Society. After graduation, Jenny plans to serve as an officer in the United States Army.

"The most rewarding experience I have had at Bucknell is realizing the amazing family I have acquired throughout my time here. The friends I have made through the years have completed my college experience and because of them as well as all of the people I have become associated with, I have developed into the person I am today."

Amanda Robie
Major: Music Education

Amanda is the manager and alto section leader of the University Chapel Choir, alto section leader of the Concert Chorale, a teaching assistant and member of the Opera Company, a member of the Weis Center Student Cultural Collective, a former resident assistant, and a member of the Social Justice Residential College and former Junior Fellow for the Social Justice Residential College, a member of the Silhouettes a cappella group and a tour guide. She was awarded a research grant this past summer in Music Education and second place in National Association of Teachers of Singing. After graduation Amanda plans to attend graduate school in vocal performance or teach high school chorus.

"My most rewarding experience has been all of the activities that I've been involved in while I've been here at Bucknell and the friends that I've gained through this involvement. My advice is to get yourself involved on campus. You meet so many new people through these experiences and it really adds to your college experience."

Melissa E. Milanak
Major: Psychology & Anthropology
Minor: Chemical & Biological studies

Melissa is a member of the Mortar Board National College Senior Honor Society. She has been treasurer for the Psi Chi Honor Society, faculty correspondent and music chair for Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority, a member of the jury panel for the Community Judicial Board, treasurer for the Psychology Club, treasurer for the Musical Theater Club, treasurer and soloist for Two Past Midnight coed a cappella group, manager of Concert Chorale, National Anthem soloist at University football, basketball and soccer games, cantor for the University's Catholic Campus Ministry and Saturday Evening Mass Music Coordinator. She has been awarded The Edwin and Florence Fetterman Scholarship, the Meerwarth Award and the Ethel Ward Grant. She has made the University Dean's List four times and made the National Dean's List three times. Melissa also interned at Geisinger Hospital in Lewisburg as a pediatric neurology intern.

"I plan to either pursue graduate studies and work as a research assistant at the University of Ulster in Northern Ireland or work as a research assistant next year. I then plan to pursue graduate doctoral studies in clinical psychology the following year."

Nikhil Menon
Major: Management and Economics
Minor: Philosophy

Nikhil is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, co-president of the South Asian Students Association and served as a Resident Assistant. He was awarded the President's Award for Distinguished Academic Achievement and interned at the Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi. After graduation, Nikhil plans to work in an investment bank, and plans on keeping close tabs on the University.

"One of my most rewarding experiences has been as a Resident Assistant the last two years. I have learned and experienced a tremendous amount with an amazing group of people. I believe that future Bucknellians should attempt to be open-minded and global at all times. I believe in gaining as many different experiences as possible. The world is ours to mold and shape as we see fit and Bucknellians will play a vital role in that."

News

Merit Aid to be implemented as soon as Class of 2007, University officials say

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certain guidelines established by the board.

"I like to see cooperation between the faculty, the administration and the Board of Trustees," University President Steffen Rogers said. "The way that the process worked this time we are all in accord, but this is a major policy decision that definitely rests in its final form with the Board of Trustees."

The guidelines around which CAFA drafted the pilot program include developing a finance plan involving fundraising, maintaining the current socioeconomic environment of the University, limiting the non-athletic to athletic dollars spent to a 3-to-1 ratio and establishing annual goals for review. If the Board of Trustees approves the pilot program, merit aid implementation may begin as early as this admissions year, with the Class of 2007.

"This discussion and the resulting program design represent a clear recognition that the student marketplace continues to change and that we want to put ourselves in a position to be ready to meet the challenges and take advantage of the opportunities presented by this changing environment," Thiede said. "I believe we need to implement this pilot program, manage it carefully and evaluate it closely before we can determine its actual impact."

The objectives of merit aid, as outlined in the pilot program, include enrolling of more students academically, strengthening the reputation of the University, increasing diversity on campus, drawing more performing arts talent on campus, drawing more middle-income students to the University, maintaining the ROTC program, solidifying overall financial assistance and promoting athletic equality, particularly in basketball.

Many faculty members had previously voiced reservations about basketball players being the only athletes awarded merit aid specifically for their sport. In the current plan, six of the 42 available scholarships will be awarded to basketball players.

"We have one set of goals in terms of academics and we have a different set of goals in terms of athletics," Rogers said. "The reason for choosing basketball as the target sport of merit aid is that all of the other Patriot League schools have chosen basketball."

When merit aid was first implemented among the Patriot League schools in 1998, the only sport for which merit aid could be offered was basketball.

"It is the league's decision to make basketball the marquee sport. They intend to to use it as a marketing tool and to provide an identity for the Patriot League, that in my estimation, does not exist now. We need to be competitive in that market," Rogers said.

Merit aid was later extended to include all sports except football when American University joined the Patriot League, because they already offered merit aid to all sports.

> *"I saw the opportunity to have merit aid as a tool that we could use to improve our ability to compete for specific students both on the academic side and the athletic side."*
> *—Steffen Rogers, University president*

Currently, Bucknell and Colgate are the only Patriot League schools that have isolated themselves with the Ivy League in their refusal to offer merit aid. According to Rogers, Colgate is monitoring the progress of the merit aid debate at Bucknell closely, and he anticipates that if Bucknell implements merit aid, Colgate will have no choice but to follow suit.

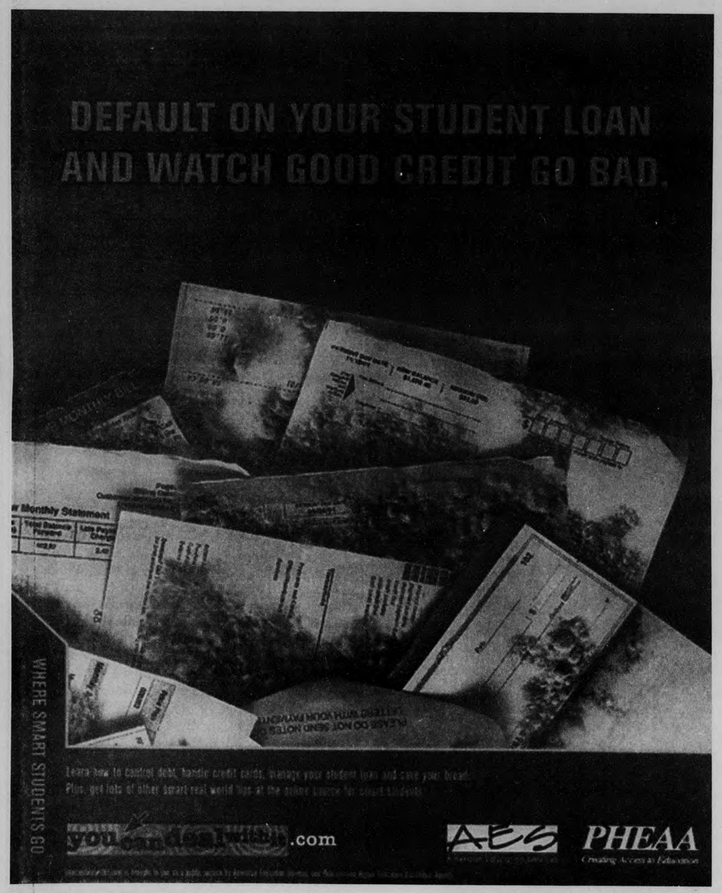
"We have found ourselves in a situation in an athletic conference that has dealt us some cards that we are not happy with, but regardless, we have to play," Professor of International Relations Stephen Stamos said.

According to Rogers, offering athletic merit aid to other sports is not something he foresees in the near future. He described merit aid as a "slippery slope" that must be monitored closely. The pilot program was intentionally designed with three-year limit, after which CAFA expects to have collected enough data to determine the future of the program.

"I see a limited merit program as a tool that we can use to improve our ability to compete for specific students both on the academic side and the athletic side," Rogers said. "I have no urge to go to a full-blown merit aid program. To implement a full blown program would be very expensive, completely unnecessary and a huge cultural change for the University that might change Bucknell in a way that I don't want to see happen."

After securing the approval of the faculty, the administration and CAFA are looking ahead to the Board of Trustees meeting with greater confidence in the prudent design of the merit aid plan.

"I am encouraged by the positive outcome of the meeting," Thiede said. "I believe that various members of the Bucknell community have been diligent in their efforts to ensure that as this pilot program is implemented the University has considered the myriad sides of the issue."



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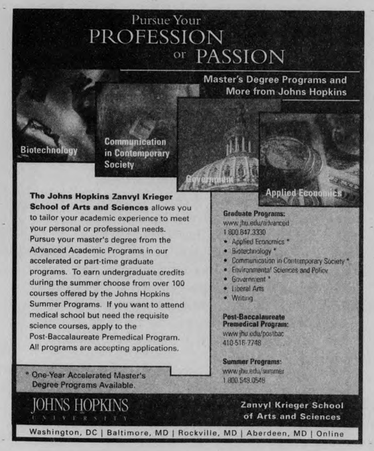
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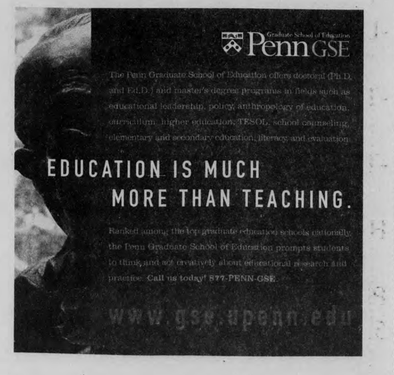
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Events Calendar

Friday, November 8

HOMECOMING WEEKEND

Blackout Day
Dress in black to symbolize those who have died because of drunk driving

Homecoming Welcome Center
(Walls Lounge, LC)
10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Information Services & Resources Tours
(Bertrand Library)
9:30 a.m.; 10:30 a.m.; 11:15 a.m.; 1:15 p.m.; 2:15 p.m; 3:30 p.m.

CDC Jumpstart
(Taylor 210)
1-2 p.m.

Bucknell University Press Reception
(Bookstore)
3-4:30 p.m.

Biology Seminar Series: "Scare Tactics in a neotropica insectivore: How plumage pattern enhances foraging performance in the Slate" by Ron Mumme
(Olin Science Auditorium)
3 p.m.

McDonnell Hall Dedication and Reception
(McDonnell Hall)
5 p.m.

Fourth Sunday Choir
(Chapel 113)
5:30-7 p.m.

Hilltop Film Series: "Elaena & Her Men"
(Vaughan Lit. Auditorium)
4:30 p.m. & 8 p.m.

Shabbat Service and Dinner
(Center for Jewish Life)
5:30 p.m.

Susquehanna Valley Mall Shuttle
(Downhill LC)
6 p.m.

Christians in Action
(McDonnell Hall)
6-10 p.m.

"Rudy"
(LC Forum)
10:30 p.m.

Homecoming concert: Bucknell Symphonic Band
(Weis)
8 p.m.

Bison Club Roundup Social
(Zellar Lounge, Fieldhouse)
8:30-11 p.m.

Kappa Jam: Featuring DJ Playtime & DJ James
(Larison Hall)
10 p.m. to 2 a.m.

Carolyn Gathman
(7th Street Cafe)
11 p.m.

Saturday, November 9

Homecoming Welcome Center
(Walls Lounge, LC)
8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Bison Club Breakfast and Hall of Fame Induction
(Bostwick Cafeteria)
8:30 a.m.

Black Alumni Association Meeting
(Alumni House)
10 a.m.

Bucknell in Northern Ireland Program
(Coleman Hall 251)
10 a.m.

Strolling Downtown Lewisburg
(Market Street)
10 a.m.

Showcase of the Official Bucknell Ring
(LC Mall)
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

O'Leary Psychology and Geology Center Dedication and Open House
(O'Leary Center)
10:30 a.m.

Bison Basketball Clinic for Kids
(Davis Gym)
10:30 a.m.

Artists Print Signing: Bradley Shoemaker
(LC Mall)
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Alumnus Book Signing: Walt McConnell, MD '53
(Bookstore)
11 a.m. to 12 p.m.

GALABI Meeting
(LC 241)
12:30 p.m.

Mall Shuttle
(Downhill LC)
3 p.m. & 6 p.m.

New Recreation and Athletic Center Open House
(Athletics Center)
4-5:30 p.m.

Black Alumni Association Reception
(Smith 100)
4:30-8 p.m.

Catholic Mass
(Rooke Chapel)
5:30 p.m.

Engineering Reunion
(Dana Engineering, Lobby)
6-8 p.m.

Zero Year Reunion
(Brynwood Inn, 6th Street)
6-8 p.m.

Komedy Show—Jon Lasiter, AG White & Rasheeu
(Larison Hall)
7 p.m.

Silhouettes Concert with Special Guests: JHU All-nighters
(Bucknell Hall)
8 p.m.

Danza de las Americas—Orquestra Sinfonica Nacional de Mexica
(Weis Center)
8 p.m.

"Raisin' the Roof" Latino Dance Party
(Terrace Room)
9 p.m. to 12 a.m.

"The Sum of All Fears"
(Vaughan Lit. Auditorium)
10:30 p.m.

Sunday, November 10

Friends Meeting
(Smith Library)
10:30 a.m.

Interdenominational Service
(Rooke Chapel)
11 a.m.

Catholic Mass
(Rooke Chapel)
4 p.m.

Catholic Mass
(Larison Dining Hall)
10 p.m.

Homecoming Concert: Bucknell Concert Chorale
(Weis Center)
2:30 p.m.

Anime Society Viewing
(LC 301)
4-6 p.m.

BSG Meeting
(LC 272)
5 p.m.

Circle K
(LC 302)
6:30-8:30 p.m.

Sunday Night Prayer
(Taylor 115)
9-10 p.m.

Samek Art Gallery
Main Gallery
Lewis deSoto:
Paranirvana (self-portrait)
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Monday, November 11

Art Lecture: Amez Emmons discussing painting, drawing and printmaking
(Art Building 201)
12 p.m.

Zen Meditation
(Meditation Chapel)
4 p.m.

CDC Jumpstart
(Vaughan Lit. 202)
5-6 p.m.

Auditions for "The Vagina Monologues"
(LC Forum)
7 p.m.

Turkish Coffee Nights
(Taylor 115)
8-10 p.m.

Tuesday, November 12

Gallery Series: "Blue" Gene Tyranny
(Rooke Recital Hall, Weis Music Building)
8 p.m.

Open Forum with Dean Ferraro
(Gallery Theatre)
7p.m.

Wednesday, November 13

Episcopal Service
(Meditation Chapel)
12 p.m.

CDC Jumpstart
(Taylor 210)
5-6 p.m.

Auditions for "The Vagina Monologues"
(LC Forum)
7 p.m.

ACE Film "Spider-Man"
(Vaughan Lit. Auditorium)
10:30 p.m.

Thursday, November 14

Tudio Dance Concert
(Tustin Dance Studio)
5 p.m.

Art Lecture: Art for the Third Millennium: Creating a New World View, environmental artist Agnes Denes
(LC Forum)
7 p.m.

Fourth Sunday Choir
(Meditation Chapel)
5:30-7 p.m.

"The Well"
(LC 213)
8:30-11 p.m.

The information on these events is subject to change. Some events are open to members of an organization only.

The sporting event calendar continues to run in the Sports section, this week on page B2.

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Compiled and edited by Meghan Ball

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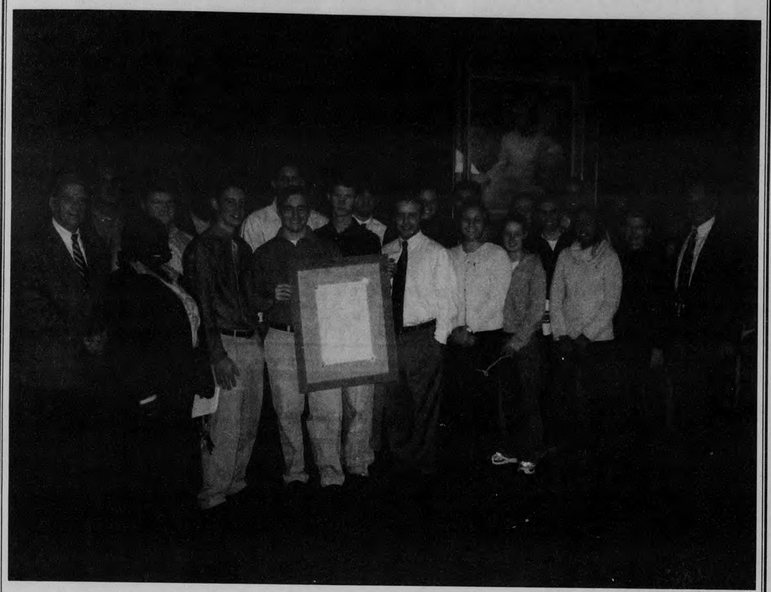
Campus dry for Alcohol Awareness Week



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Fraternity and sorority presidents, the presidents of the Interfraternity and the Panhellenic Councils and several University officials, including University President Steffen Rogers, were on hand last Sunday to recognize the Alcohol Awareness Week Proclamation, deeming the week dry, and continuing the fight against alcohol misuse and abuse.

LIVING WAGE

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just wage would be established position by position.

"We have a grossly out-of-date classification system. We want to pay the same amount for the same level of work across the University," Rogers said. "We do not know if we are at that place now, but we want to be sure that we are so that every one feels that they are properly compensated."

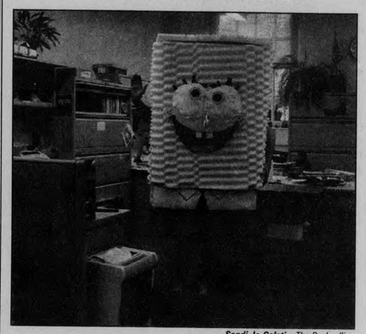
With the support of the faculty and the preliminary plan outlined by Rogers in place, Susman is hopeful that the money necessary to support living wage will soon be within the budget of the University. Until then, he and the members of the Bucknell Caucus for Economic Justice (BCEJ) will continue to advocate and publicize living wage on campus.

"I intend to keep the issue alive and I assume the students of BCEJ along with other faculty members will continue to promote the issue," Susman said. "We understand that there may not be money in the budget today, but the numbers presented by President Rogers at the faculty meeting reveal that it might take less money than some believed."

Currently, the administration estimates that the cost of increasing the wage of all casual workers, including Dining Services personnel, to $9 per hour and adjusting the salaries of workers earning more than $9 per hour accordingly will cost about $1.25 million, as opposed to previous estimates that ranged from $4 million to $6 million dollars.

"As I see it, the administration took a large step forward, and with the faculty endorsement calling for the inclusion of Dining Service workers and others, I think the University is moving toward finding the money to implement the $9.00 wage floor," Susman said.

That's the spirit



Sandi-Jo Galati—*The Bucknellian*

An admissions department employee, dressed like the Nickelodeon character SpongeBob SquarePants, says hello to the camera on Halloween. Oh, what the prospective students must have thought that day.

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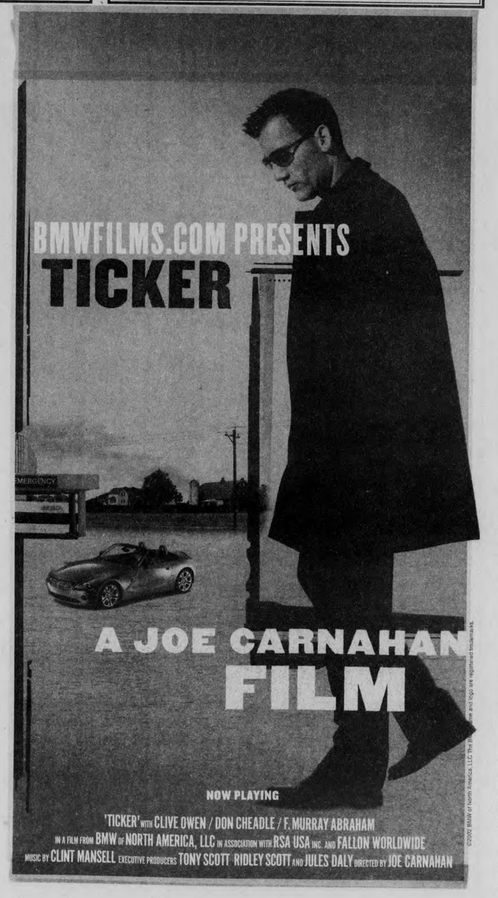
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News

Cavanagh discusses advent of biomedical engineering at University

BIOMED

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Cavanagh joined the University in 1999, following the completion of his doctorate from Northwestern University. He earned his bachelor's and master's degrees in biomedical engineering from Northwestern University.

In his second year as a graduate student at Northwestern, Cavanagh was one of five engineering graduate students to be awarded a McCormick School of Engineering and Applied Science Graduate Tutoring position. This provided him with an introduction to undergraduate engineering education.

In addition to conducting research at Northwestern, Cavanagh also carried out some of his doctoral research in the Department of Anesthesia at the University of Pennsylvania. Cavanagh has been working in the lab with graduate and undergraduate students, using both experimental and numerical research techniques. Cavanagh is currently co-director of the Biomedical Engineering program, along with Professor of Biomedical and Mechanical Engineering James Baish.

"We talk a lot at Bucknell about bringing the best and the brightest to the University, and when we say that we talk about students most of the time. In this case however, the Emmitt family has allowed us to bring to the University the best and the brightest in terms of the faculty," Rogers said.

"Professor Dan Cavanagh is an excellent choice as the inaugural holder of the Emmitt Memorial Chair in Biomedical Engineering. His commitment to our students and their education, his commitment to exemplary teaching and learning and his dedication to the new biomedical engineering program and the profession are fully consistent with the finest traditions of the College of Engineering, and our mission," Dean of Engineering James Orbison said. "The College of Engineering welcomes the biomedical engineering program as a valued and integral engineering program in the college."

Approximately 240 people were invited to the lecture, including members of the Emmitt family, members of the University administration and the faculty in the College of Engineering. The lecture was also open to the public.

The evolution of the Biomedical Engineering minor at the University involves the integration of the traditional engineering program and the medical and biology programs to create engineers with medical and biological focuses.

According to Cavanagh, there are about 90 graduate and undergraduate programs across the nation that offer some form of biomedical engineering study programs. There are presently no biomedical engineering programs at undergraduate or non-doctoral colleges and universities like the University's program.

Cavanagh said there are many different reasons for bringing biomedical engineering to the University.

"The fundamental reason for the field is we want to design a better artificial heart; we want to design a better artificial vision system. We want to help people," Cavanagh said.

Orbison believes that the biomedical engineering degree will also serve as another admissions draw for incoming students.

"I believe there have been, in the past, an unknown number of high school students who were interested in a biomedical engineering degree program, and thus did not apply to Bucknell because we were unable to offer that educational option," Orbison said. "I expect our new biomedical engineering program will attract additional applicants to Bucknell who would not have otherwise applied. All indications from other biomedical engineering programs across the country are that these applicants will be highly qualified. This additional program may also enhance the attractiveness of our other programs as well, due to an increase in the comprehensiveness of our educational offerings."

Cavanagh spoke of the integration of the fields of biology, engineering, physics, chemistry and mathematics to create the biomedical engineering focus.

"About 50 to 60 years ago there were the engineers on one side and the biologists and physicians on the other side. Really, the fields were not too integrated. What they started seeing was that an engineer would need help from a biologist, and a biologist would need help from an engineer, so they had to start working together to solve some of these very complex problems. We started to get engineers who have a medical and biological focuses applying the Bucknell engineering skills to the medical problems," Cavanagh said.

There will be three different specialization for the biomedical engineering major, which include biotransport, biomechanics and materials and bioinstrumentation and bioimagry. Next year's class will have a target capacity of approximately 12 students, who will specialize only in biotransport. Presently, there are about 15 students with a biomedical engineering minor.

In the future, when the biomechanics and material and bioinstrumentation and bioimagry specialization are offered for the major, it is expected that approximately 48 students will be a part of the biomedical engineering program at the University.

The primary faculty for the biomedical engineering program include Baish, Cavanagh, Professor of Chemical and Biomedical Engineering William King, as well as a new member. Affiliated faculty include Professor of Biology Mitchell Chernin, Assistant Professor of Electrical Engineering Steven Horner, Assistant Professor of Biology David Penick and Assistant Professor of Chemical Engineering Margot Vigeant.

The requirements for the minor include three courses from a list of biology courses and engineering courses, and students must take the senior-level Capstone course BME-454. The requirements for the major will include this Capstone course, as well as new courses that will be designed at the sophomore-level.

Cavanagh said that students who choose to major in biomedical engineering must be qualified engineers and must have a strong background in a life science.

According to Cavanagh, the lab for the biotransport specialization will be more research-based than in other engineering lab courses. Topics for study in the specialization of biotransport include advanced courses in chemistry, fluid mechanics, heart transport and cellular transport.

"What I really want to do is integrate lecture and lab," Cavanagh said. "This will be a very, very hands-on curriculum. The classes are going to be small because we are not looking to have a very large program, because we want to have a very good relationship with our students."

Cavanagh discussed the many challenges of the biomedical engineering program. He said developing the program in general involved many obstacles that had to be overcome, including having qualified and enough faculty members to fill the requirements, having resources that are proper for biomedical engineering and being able to incorporate all the biomedical engineering course material into a four-year degree. He also said that presently, there are not many college-level textbooks on biomedical engineering, so determining exactly what course material to implement into the courses was another obstacle.

"The other primary challenge is an increased recognition of a degree in biomedical engineering. People in industry are still a little skeptical about it," Cavanagh said. "What they are realizing now is that the integration of both areas would add more assets to that company."

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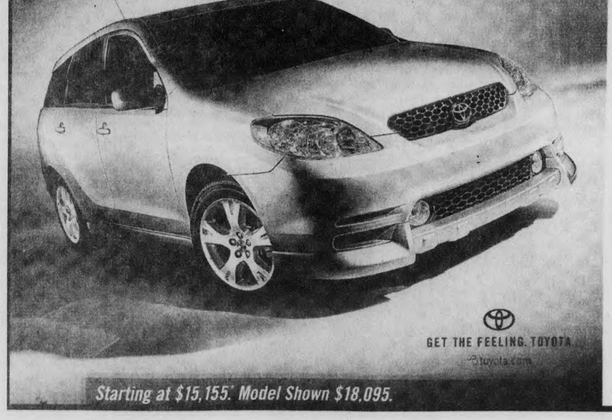

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The Bucknellian Editorial

Faculty's decisions have an important impact on University

At this week's faculty meeting, members of the faculty voted in support of two motions: the implementation of a merit aid program and a $9 minimum living wage for casual workers. The various presentations to faculty members by their peers and the administration on both issues, and the thoughtful debate that ensued, are unique to the University.

The University is one of the last Patriot League schools to adapt a merit aid program. Although the faculty's support does not mean that merit aid will immediately be implemented, it does have an impact on the Board of Trustees. The faculty's approval supports the Board of Trustees' previous vote in favor of merit aid. The board will vote on a specific merit aid pilot plan at the end of the month. Again, the faculty's view of merit aid will affect the Board's final decision about merit aid, and therefore have an impact on the University.

The living wage has also been a prevalent issue at the University. For the past three years, many members of the campus community have tried to get an increased wage so that all employees of the University can support their families. Many also feel that the current wages are not sufficient. The $9 wage would benefit Dining Services workers and would be executed as soon as the budget could support it.

Even though the faculty's endorsement of a $9 wage does not have a direct impact on the Board of Trustees, it still influences the campus community. By favoring the new wage, the faculty is supporting all University workers, as well as the local community.

Despite many issues that currently directly affect the faculty, such as faculty evaluations and switching to a 3-2 course load, faculty meetings are largely devoted to improving the atmosphere of the campus community as a whole. This fact was exhibited at the most recent faculty meeting.

The dialogue among the faculty that took place at this faculty meeting and others is unique and does not happen at many universities.

Letters to the editor

Aid should be for everyone

To the Editor:

As the parent of a scholar-athlete who is considering applying to the University, I find it perplexing that only one sport is being considered for merit-aid. In fact, why shouldn't athletes be given the same opportunity as academic-based scholarships or arts awards. I do not think schools should significantly modify their criteria for acceptance for athletes.

When creditable candidates are identified, who meet entrance criteria and are truly gifted, in whatever area, they should be eligible for funding. I have always encouraged need-based scholarships with donations to my alma mater, but outstanding candidates in all areas should also be identified and encouraged to attend. Funding is an incentive.

Other prestigious schools have funds for this purpose, and if the University is to place an importance on academic scholarship, musical and art talents and athletics, then funding should be given and an effort to support it must be launched.

While funding will not be a sole criteria on where my son may apply or attend, it will have an impact. Those prestigious academic schools that support their athletes with funding will have an advantage.

Sincerely,
Howard Solomon, Ph.D

"The Vagina Monologues" should be for women only

To the Editor:

I am a rape survivor. I now devote my life to ending violence against women. I express that commitment in many ways; as a women's self-defense instructor and as a board member of Susquehanna Valley Women in Transition. I am proud to share this commitment with V-Day Bucknell (VDB). I agree wholeheartedly with Val Lam '04 when she says violence against women affects everybody and that ending violence will take everybody. However, I disagree with Eve Ensler and VDB's decision to include a male monologue in the play "The Vagina Monologues" ("TVM").

Because women have often shaped and understood their lives according to norms or preferences of female behavior as expressed by men, there is a sense in which women have not shaped or even known their own experience. "TVM" presents women's experiences as removed from these norms. Women-only projects put women's voices at the center, a rare opportunity in a male dominated society. "TVM" creates a symbolic women's space where women's voices are the focus. That focus has now shifted away from women's voices onto one male voice.

Whether real or symbolic, women-only spaces serve the primary and necessary function of empowering women by encouraging and fostering autonomy. Without autonomy women can never hope to end their oppression and the violence it manifests. There are many ways men can, and should, support women in the struggle to end sexist violence. One important way is for men to respect and encourage women-only ventures.

There is no contradiction between fighting to build independent women's organizations and at the same time recognizing that it is not women alone who will ultimately end patriarchy. Women-only spaces working in conjunction with appropriately focused co-sex organizations is, by far, a more effective means for achieving the equality for, and ending violence against, women than either proposition alone.

There is a set of competing values at work here, both with valid viewpoints. What is being lost is the understanding that values of inclusiveness and breadth of scope can work in tandem with narrowly defined political goals for the purpose of individual events like "TVM." Every attempt should be made to preserve and encourage the rare and empowering women-only space. It serves needs and purposes that can't be duplicated anywhere else. Because men also suffer from prescriptive gender roles, they will only benefit from the deconstruction of those roles through the effects of these spaces.

Sincerely,
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Professor evaluations should be made public

By Andrea Dill
Chief Copy Editor

It's the most wonderful time … of the year. No, not the approaching holiday season, I am talking about professor evaluation time. This is a time that should make every Who down in Whoville grin. At the end of every semester, professors hand out a sheet or two on which students can feel free to unleash. What, from the student perspective, seems like a relatively empty event has the potential to be a helpful exercise.

Many schools of evaluation exist. There are those who believe in writing only kind things, which may or may not reflect their professor's actual job performance. You know, people who write that the professor never said anything bad, not mentioning the professor never said anything good, either. These are people who still subscribe to the idea that if you don't have anything nice to say, don't say anything. I have very little patience or tolerance for such glossing over. Unfortunately, I cannot unilaterally squash people's freedom to evaluate as they see fit. The fact that they can justify writing only pleasant things about a bad professor instead of offering constructive criticism is mind-boggling. If not out of self-respect, they should tell the whole truth for the benefit of future students.

Then there are those whose primary goal seems to be capturing as many freebee class minutes as possible. To accomplish this objective, they seem to randomly circle answers, scribble pithy responses and jet out of the classroom shortly thereafter. That is a distracting whir of activity for the third group of people, those who seem to truly care.

This thoughtful bunch writes more than yes or no answers, giving reflective responses to the evaluations' open-ended questions. Obviously, there is a wide spectrum of evaluators. Some students might glide across into another group depending on their partiality or distaste for the professor in question. Generally though, a solid percentage of the class seems to regard evaluations with the seriousness they deserve.

Sadly, I overshoot that fine line. In fact, I am a professor evaluation zealot. Throughout the semester, I plot what to write in the catchall, "Are there any other comments you have to make about either this course or this professor?" section of my evaluation form. My intent is not sinister. I am not out to get professors for the hundreds of pages of reading, cumulative exams and papers they assign. Rather I like a review that reflects the nature of the professor and the course. I am that nerd on the middle-right side of the classroom who sits there scribbling frantically. I am that frenzied fool who writes five times as much as anyone else in the time allotted, so as not to sit after class finishing up my evaluation.

The professors are crafty when administering evaluations. Often, professors distribute evaluations at the end of one of the last days of class. As a result, students have to weigh their desire to join the raging snowball fight on the quad versus their obligation to produce thoughtful evaluations. I doubt the winter wonderland weather is the primary reason why students blow off the evaluations, but perhaps it is a subconscious factor. By the time the first couple of students have stuffed their evaluations into the undersized manila folder, there is often a line of eager evaluators behind them, frothing at the mouth like bookworms awaiting the next "Harry Potter" installment.

Like many people though, I often find myself depressed at the holiday evaluation season, for the Grinch has stolen the results of all the evaluations. The findings should be available to everyone because word-of-mouth estimations and Rate the Profs' sparse entries are not enough. These alternate assessment avenues are helpful, but they likely fail to give an accurate perception of a professor or course due to limited sampling data. The University should make the fruits of my carefully planned and speedily executed evaluation labor accessible, as well as all that my less ardent classmates have to say.

I want statistics, written reviews and even pie charts. Give me empirical data on which to base my course and professor selections. More than anything though, I would like to see which professors are getting holiday bonuses for their hard work and which are getting stockings full of coal. I want proof that my evaluation fervor is worth it.

Over the semesters, professors have emphasized the importance of giving these evaluation forms earnest consideration, and many students have done just that. We should get a tangible return on our evaluation time investment. It is time for the Grinch to embrace the holiday spirit by returning the evaluation results to all of the Whos down in Whoville.

Opinions

Latin American strategy showing signs of distraction

By Mike Niebauer
Senior Writer

When Plan Colombia was first implemented by the Clinton administration, its goal was to fight drugs by restricting the growing of coca leaves and exportation of pure refined cocaine exported to the United States. Through U.S. monetary aid and military training of Colombian government forces, a foot was to be placed on the neck of drug trafficking in Colombia.

The fact that cocaine production is also a great cash generator for two sides in a three-sided decades-long civil war was just a side issue. The existence and durability of the civil war might just weaken our effort and endanger the efficacy of the entire operation.

The leftist FARC guerrillas and the rightist paramilitary groups have successfully adapted to the Plan Colombia airborne cocaine spraying program by switching from cocaine as a sole funding source. Both combatants have diversified by replacing cocaine to a great degree with a rich new vein of financing by stealing oil and gasoline from a very long and vulnerable Colombian energy pipeline.

Semana, a Colombian centrist news magazine, reports in an October article that "the theft of oil and gasoline by the paramilitary rightists and their leftist enemy FARC guerrillas has become an alternative financing source for Colombia's civil war.

The financing from this theft has begun to rival cocaine in profitability and is making new headaches for the newly-elected conservative President Alvaro Uribe's government. Carlos Castano admits that his right-wing forces will totally substitute gasoline and oil for the cocaine financing they have used in the past. Uribe views the thefts as a national security problem due to its economic and military implications.

This unintended benefit from drug war intervention works to the advantage of the combatants since there is less investment in stolen gasoline than in cocaine production and it generates cash instantly. It costs a mere $182 to install each valve needed to pierce the pipeline and obtain hoses to siphon off the fuel. The process is dangerous but it requires few people and the market is local gas stations. Government authorities estimate that the guerrillas have stolen and sold a total of $73 million in oil and gasoline supplies since 2001.

The financial investment of the drug war is certainly being funneled to purposes not originally intended or openly planned for.

Ironically, this actually lowers the costs of cocaine production. Since gasoline is used extensively in cocaine refining operations, there is a double benefit to all sides except the beleaguered government.

The pipeline has been bombed 933 times in an effort to hurt government income from sale of the precious national resource. Semana magazine states, "Many local residents are helping the leftist FARC in its pipeline dynamiting operations by digging holes around the pipeline at night as the FARC blow the line later with explosives." The United States is forced into assisting in the security of the pipeline in support of the Colombian government.

The U.S. Congress has approved $6 million in aid for this purpose and with $68 million for 2003 in Plan Colombia money this year (yet to be approved) it is hoped to stop the bombing. Impressively, 56 have been arrested this year for gasoline theft compared to two arrests in previous 15 years. Like the longest civil war in Latin America the Colombian fight goes on.

The Bush administration may be showing signs of distraction as the U.S. economy slows. Marcela Sanchez in *The Washington Post* stated, "The U.S. State Department's budget for anti-drug efforts other than Plan Colombia have been reduced 45 percent to the 2001 levels. Plan Colombia's budget has been increased seven percent but is being diffused to deal with 'terrorism' as well so it translated to another cut in real terms for the drug effort." The terrorism mentioned is the protection of the oil and gas pipeline, troop training and law enforcement efforts in the region as well.

Perhaps the United States has over-promised our Colombian government allies and underestimated their domestic Colombian opposition. Has the Bush administration been distracted by its new international focus and definition of pre-emptive war in the war on terrorism elsewhere?

The financial investment in the drug war is certainly being funneled to purposes that were not originally intended or openly planned for in this deepening involvement.

With no clear concept of an exit strategy in sight and a slowing economy the effort is showing signs of distraction while the mission is growing dangerously complicated and unfocused.

The United States must pay more attention to what our neighbors in Latin America think of us. If Colombia is to be the example of U.S. involvement on the continent, Latin Americans may have their fears of an over involved and interventionist United States in the region once again sadly confirmed.

Third party needed to regain democracy

By Kevin Brown
Staff Writer

While we have been asleep for the last 20 years, corporate America has been awake. They have been pushing and organizing and lobbying, so that now they have put a stranglehold on the Republican as well as the Democratic Party.

But "we, the people" are starting to wake up. We see that our two party system has become saturated and corrupt with the money of corporations; we see the privatization of public assets; we see our environment being polluted; we see lower wages for workers than in the 1970s (inflation adjusted); we see high corporate crime with minimal punishment; we see energy conservation slowing and renewable resources taking a back seat to fossil fuel and nuclear energy and we see our politicians doing nothing about it.

Grass-roots democracy is the basis of the Green Party. Their "Ten Key Values" platform opens with the sentence, "Every human deserves a say in the decisions that affect their lives; no one should be subject to the will of another."

Consider the record of former President Bill Clinton. Under his administration, 10 million people were kicked off of welfare (out of 14 million total recipients) He refused to sign the International Land mine Ban Treaty. He became the first president since Nixon not to force auto makers to improve their mileage per gallon. Clinton expanded corporate welfare programs and let big money and big business dominate his presidency.

The Democratic Party is a shadow of its former self, and has become a Republican Party look alike, so much that at the presidential debates in 2000 former Vice President Al Gore and current President George W. Bush agreed on 37 percent of what was discussed.

Additionally, in 2001 both parties received over $100,000 each from Enron alone. As Robert Reich, former Secretary of Labor under Clinton, put it, "The Democratic Party is stone dead. Dead as a doornail." The two-party system has molded itself into one, the Dem-Rep Party. Now there is room for another, a "third" party, to answer the call of the masses and work toward meeting the needs of "we, the people" not the needs of "we, the rich and powerful."

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The Greens only accept donations for their campaigns from individuals, never corporations, so they remain free from being slaves to a corporate government. I use the Green Party as an example just because it is the one I am most familiar with, but there are many parties in the United States that fall all over the ideological spectrum. If you are a person who is looking for change in the way politics is run in this country, then look seriously into third party candidates. This option allows you to not only vote for a person whose ideology you believe in, but also to show current officials that if they want your vote, they will have to work for it by acting in your best interests.

Our political parties have grown tired and are unable to meet people's needs. Last Tuesday, instead of voting for a candidate who takes you for granted and is simply using you to serve its corporate master and further the "democracy gap," you could have voted for an alternative candidate. One that is striving, without corporate money or influence, to address issues that concern all Americans, not just the rich and powerful. As Louis Brandies, Supreme Court Justice once said, "We can have a democratic society or we can have great concentrated wealth in the hands of the few. We cannot have both."

Conservatives Club's attention-getting mechansims similar to Eminem

By Jacksy Jiang
Writer

"May I have your attention please! May I have your attention please! Will the real Slim Shady please stand up?" The University, full of intelligent and sophisticated students, could learn from Eminem.

For a month now, students have been leading discussions about free speech and the war on Iraq, among other topics.

Some people even went to the dean and their parents to complain about "The Counterweight." What a wonderful scene! It seems that the University is having an "intellectual war"—much credit is lent to the Conservatives Club (BUCC).

Now let us bring up our old friend Eminem, whose attention-getting mechanism consists of promoting violence and sexism or bashing gays and women. Yet, people do not hate Eminem even if they find offense in his songs, because they know that he says such remarks not for the purpose of making arguments.

On the contrary, people like him because they find him funny, different, cool and rhythmic.

The Conservatives Club is brilliant—instead of popularizing and establishing themselves as a strong group on campus, they achieve this "popularity" by drawing reactions. Everybody on campus knows about the them, and even now I imagine the group is celebrating its "attention drawing" success.

By the same token, just because people like him does not mean that they necessarily agree with the radical, obscene or offensive lyrics.

The BUCC does something quite similar. They make strange, somewhat illogical, radical and offensive arguments, not for the sake of arguing, but purely for the sake of drawing attention.

They are brilliant—instead of popularizing and establishing themselves as a strong group on campus, they achieve this "popularity" by drawing reactions. Everybody on campus knows about the BUCC, and even now I imagine the group is celebrating its "attention drawing" success.

Is it necessary to expend so much time and energy on writing articles or counter-arguments (or going to the dean of students) to fight against them? I do not really think so.

Attention is what they want, and attention is what they are getting—they wanted a reaction, and we gave it to them.

In my point of view, until the BUCC sets forth a logically consistent argument or contributes to the intellectual discourse on this campus, why bother to argue with them? The best thing to do is to ignore them.

Simply reacting to the group's absurd arguments is fueling the fire of controversy and discord on this campus.

If the BUCC irritates you, why not just ignore it? On the other hand, if it is a source of comic relief, or if you appreciate its humor, then stand up, give them your attention, laugh and be the "real Slim Shady."

United we spend?

By Josh Fisher
Opinions Editor

Nov. 29, 2002 is "Buy Nothing Day," the first stirrings of a prophetic "no."

Since its launch in the Pacific Northwest 11 years ago, "Buy Nothing Day" has grown into a worldwide celebration of consumer awareness and simple living. Observed on the day after Thanksgiving, America's busiest shopping day of the year, the campaign has sparked debate, radio talk shows, television news items and newspaper headlines around the world.

On this unofficial opening day of the Christmas shopping frenzy, millions of glassy-eyed consumers flock to department stores and malls, as predictable as pistons, pumping billions of dollars into the economy.

What sort of explanation could one offer for this trend? Is this phenomenon really so surprising for a culture so dependent on the machinery of corporations and the advertisement industry?

Look around you—everywhere your eyes could possibly come to rest is filled with some sort of corporate message, logo, deliberately misleading and lyrical advertisement campaigns. They are on T-shirts, on cars and blimps, on buildings and pencils, in movies and on television, magazines and newspapers, playing on your deepest thoughts and emotions in order to convince you that you need some product. Indeed this advertising culture is impossible to escape. And like a powerful narcotic, these heavily manipulative corporate messages and images define our mental environment as a fictitious and imaginative unreality.

Yet Americans have not quite woken up to the absurdity of it all!

We are trained to value abundance above all else, and the repercussions of such over-consumption, wastefulness and recklessness are admittedly Earth-shattering and mind warping. Stuck in the cold iron treads of a mindless machine, the human spirit, prideful contrariness and fierce independence have been oddly tamed, commodified and marketed. American consumers value little of the simplicities of everyday life.

Surely there is more to life than being a consumer!

The monkey wrenchers of the Ruckus Society, a California-based direct-action group, dropped a boxcar-sized banner ridiculing over-consumption smack in the middle of the Mall of America. Other more restrained types created and distributed the Gift Exemption Voucher—a polite way of saying, "Let's not get each other anything this year, out of principle." In Seattle, helpful Buy Nothing Day celebrants offered a free-of-charge credit-card cutting service outside a downtown mall.

Spend time with family and friends, rather than money on them, was the message. Wouldn't you rather spend time with the ones you love instead of standing in line waiting for your "soma" fix? Yes, it is cliché, but are the things of most worth pursuing not love, ritual, freedom? These are the things no one can buy, and these things have more value than any product of any corporation.

"Buy Nothing Day" on Nov. 29 will challenge you to step out of the consumer stream for a mere 24 hours, if for nothing else as a personal experiment and a public statement; to deny the inane compulsion to define yourself by the "things" that surround you.

The shining hope for a revolution in human consciousness lies in the actions of everyday people—indeed it is the revolution of everyday life.

Alcohol awareness week fails to raise awareness

By Tom Elliott
Senior Writer

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Indeed, it would be amazing to learn more about something that so many college students have such a passion for. Yet, instead, this fun-sounding week is plagued with endless horror stories about people drinking and driving, and other forms of reckless drunkenness. As Dean of Students Richard Ferraro loves to point out, there is so much more to alcohol than using it to get drunk.

Wouldn't it be nice if this week had events like a wine tasting class? Our university is supposed to be filled with budding intellectuals. So how, might I ask, are we supposed to be intellectuals if we are not properly skilled in wine tasting? If I were to receive an invitation for dinner at some young woman's home, who happens to be the daughter of an aristocrat, I would certainly be uncomfortable once the discussion turns to pocket watches and the distinctive suppleness of the merlot.

It would be a decidedly useful thing to learn what type of wine to serve with a particular meal. I wish I had a nickel every time I've wondered whether penne al vodka should be served with white or red? I don't have a clue. I would probably buy a box of Franzia. Instead, we have a non-alcoholic karaoke event at Uptown. Not only does this fail to raise awareness, but doesn't everyone know there's no such thing as non-alcoholic karaoke.

In the spirit of multiculturism, wouldn't it have been nice if there was an event this week where people of varying ethnic backgrounds educate us to the preferred drink of their culture? It seems every country has a drink that's special to their heritage.

For example, Sangria for the Spanish, Ales for the English, Sake for the Japanese, Tequila and its various drinks for Mexico, the Russians could bring Stoli and other vodkas, Chianti for Italy, Ouzo for Greece, Schnapps for Austria, Pilsner Urquell for the Czechs and various wines for France. This very limited list goes to show that I have a lot to learn.

Wouldn't it be nice to have an event where people shared their expertise with different drinking games? There is simply so much to learn: Beer pong is played differently on every campus it's played, there are dozens of different versions of quarters as well as card-oriented drinking games and maybe some alumni can pass on old classics like Whale's Tails. After all, college students always appreciate learning new ways to "binge drink."

To some it may be surprising that in a recent study published in *The Onion*, it was revealed that binge drinking was actually often an agreeable thing. In part it read, "Data collected at bars and fraternity parties on the UMass campus has yielded unexpected conclusions with regard to the practice of binge drinking," study head Dr. Albert Greaves said. "Over the course of our research, a consistent pattern emerged demonstrating that binge drinking seriously kicks ass."

So while I have read the posterboards taped in the Langone Center with stories of idiots who have done stupid things, I have yet to learn the proper glass in which to serve a Manhattan. Quite frankly, I was shocked by the demonstration behind the stadium in which it was revealed that intoxication impairs your driving. Drinking and driving is unsafe?! Next thing I know, they'll try to make me aware that unfiltered cigarettes are unhealthy. I could go on, but I think I need a drink.

BUSINESS & POLITICS

Republicans take control of the Senate

Following the GOP's victory over Democrats, for first time in decades, a Republican president is backed by a Republican majority in House and Senate

By Jim Leahy
Senior Writer

Americans went to the polls on Tuesday to change the direction of the nation and voice their opinions on how the current administration and Congress runs the country on a daily basis. All votes have been counted—well, almost all of them—and the people have spoken. So, what happened on Tuesday?

The Republicans won. Big. The GOP took back control of the Senate, gained seats in the House of Representatives and is projected to maintain the majority of governor's mansions, all in a midterm election.

Many of the key races were won in shocking fashion and Republicans are now preparing to begin their legislative agenda. The following results were as of Wednesday morning.

In Pennsylvania, the races were all but surprising. Democrat Ed Rendell, former mayor of Philadelphia, won a sweeping victory over his Republican challenger Mike Fisher. Rendell won the state by a comfortable 9 percent margin, in a race that was basically decided months ago.

Union County voted widely in favor of Fisher, with 64 percent voting for the Republican and only 33 percent voting for Rendell, according to www.unionco.org.

The local member of the House of Representatives, Republican Don Sherwood, won 91 percent of the votes from this area. University Director of Student Health Services Dr. Don Stechschulte ran as a write-in candidate and his results were not available. For state assembly, Republican Russ Fairchild easily defeated the Green Party candidate by gaining just under 90 percent of the vote, www.unionco.org reported.

There were some very interesting gubernatorial races around the nation. In New York, where the Democrats pleaded with Independent Tom Golisano to leave the race and throw his support to their candidate, H. Carl McCall, incumbent Republican George Pataki defeated McCall by a 16 percent margin.

The Democratic National Committee tapped the Florida race as the one most desired. In the end, Republican incumbent Jeb Bush defeated the challenge of Bill McBride by a 13 percent margin. The most surprising outcome was the victory of Republican Robert Ehrlich Jr., who defeated Democrat Kathleen Kennedy Townsend in a race that sends the first Republican to the Maryland governor's office since Spiro Agnew in 1966, according to *The Washington Post*.

The governor races were mixed, with the Democrats winning states like Michigan, Pennsylvania and Illinois.

Republicans were able to win Massachusetts, Florida, Maryland and Georgia. Despite some Democratic gains, the Republicans were also able to maintain their majority, *The Washington Post* reported.

Courtesy of Reuters

Florida Gov. Jeb Bush celebrates his victory over Democratic challenger Bill McBride in Tuesday's elections. After a tight race between Democrats and Republicans across the country, Tuesday's election resulted in GOP control of the Senate, as well as the acquisition of important seats in House of Representatives and other political positions at the state level.

Republican Elizabeth Dole defeated Erskine Bowles in North Carolina by 9 percent; Republican John Sununu defeated Democratic Gov. Jeanne Shaheen in New Hampshire by a 3 percent margin.

Republican John Cornyn of Texas defeated Democrat Ron Kirk by 12 percent, and Democrat Mark Pryor of Arkansas defeated incumbent Republican Tim Hutchinson by an 8 percent margin, *The Washington Post* reported.

There are still two outstanding Senate races—South Dakota and Louisiana. In South Dakota, there will most likely be a mandatory recount. With 100 percent of voting precincts reporting their results, Democratic incumbent Tim Johnson holds a lead of only about 500 votes out of about 335,000 cast, according to *The Washington Post*. This is a big race because it is seen as an informal poll on the job that the other senator from South Dakota, Tom Daschle, is doing.

In Louisiana, incumbent Democrat Mary Landrieu and Republican challenger Suzanne Haik Terrell will have a runoff election on Dec. 7 to decide who wins. This stems from the type of election that Louisiana runs on Election Day. All candidates are put on a single ballot and a candidate winning a majority of the vote is elected. If a candidate wins less than 50 percent (Landrieu won about 46 percent), the top two candidates participate in a runoff, *The Washington Post* reported.

Many believe that the Republicans will be able to advance their agenda now that they hold control of not only Congress but also the presidency.

Bush now has a Congress that will work with him and he will have much more freedom in creating policy. Many questioned his tactic of spending so much time on the campaign trail. It now looks like he made the right move.

Americans spoke on Tuesday and their voice was united behind the President. Republicans received more support, bucking the historical trend that has the party of the president losing seats in a midterm election.

The next two years promise to be important, and the 2004 presidential election will receive great attention, especially if the Republicans fail to deliver on their campaign promises.

Congress was much more interesting and the site of important history.

"We have to underscore what has happened in terms of American history. I have been checking. The last time a Republican president won seats in the Senate and the House in a midterm election—Theodore Roosevelt, 100 years ago. That is extraordinary," Tim Russert said on MSNBC.com.

The House was the scene of many interesting races. With control of the Senate in such a narrow range, it was the focus of this election.

According to *The Washington Post*, in Missouri, Republican Jim Talent beat Democrat Jean Carnahan by about 24,000 votes (1 percent) in a special election to replace the appointee who took her husband's Senate seat. Democrat Mel Carnahan was killed just weeks before his election and posthumously defeated current Attorney General John Ashcroft.

In Minnesota's election, another race affected by a candidate's death, Republican Norm Coleman defeated former Vice President Walter Mondale by about 43,000 votes (2 percent), after Mondale replaced the late Sen. Paul Wellstone on the ballot. Democrat Frank Lautenberg defeated Republican Doug Forrester in New Jersey by 10 percent after replacing embattled Republican Sen. Robert Torricelli on the ballot just weeks before the election.

Sharon calls for general elections in response to tensions in Parliament

By David LaRoss
Staff Writer

The long-running dispute within Israel's current government has proven fatal, as the left-leaning Labor Party, which was partnered with Prime Minister Ariel Sharon's conservative Likud Party to form a majority coalition, quit the government on Oct. 31. Its members abandoned all of their appointed posts in the Cabinet and withdrew their legislative support for Sharon.

Sharon has now called for the next general election to be held in three months, effectively dissolving the government.

The two parties had been engaged in a low-level power struggle for months when the argument over funding for settlements on occupied land finally caused the split.

The union between Labor and Likud had long been acknowledged as an alliance of convenience, designed to combat the Palestinian nationalist movement. It is no surprise that it fragmented over a relatively minor issue.

This does not make the loss any less drastic because it left Sharon with the support of only 55 of the 120 members of Parliament and five empty cabinet positions. Sharon managed to survive three motions for votes of no confidence brought on Nov. 5. Had any of the three succeeded, he would have been forced to hold new elections within 90 days and step down as prime minister if he could not assemble another majority coalition in Parliament after those elections.

Sharon was confident that he would survive the crisis.

"I believe I will have to lead this nation for several years to give answers and solutions to the issue of security, the issue of the political process, the economy," he said.

This turns out to have been a moot point because on Tuesday, Sharon voluntarily called for new elections, setting an expected date of Jan. 28, 2003.

This announcement followed Sharon's effort to assemble a new coalition with more right-wing groups, in particular the National Union-Yisrael Beitenu, whose seven parliamentary votes would have given the prime minister a slim majority.

According to ABC News, Palestinians voiced concern over the prospect of a Sharon government composed entirely of right-wing elements. The previous coalition had a reputation for taking a general hard line against Palestinians, and they fear that Israeli military action will escalate with a solidly conservative group in power.

Sharon assured the U.S. government that Israel's policies would remain constant, but right-wing groups demanded that Sharon refuse some of U.S. President George W. Bush's goals for the area—notably the creation of a Palestinian state—if they were to join the coalition. According to CNN, Sharon found these demands unacceptable and broke off negotiations entirely, deciding instead to call new elections.

"We hope the Israeli people will elect a government that can deliver peace," said Cabinet Minister Saeb Ereket in an Associated Press article.

The Parliament was not Sharon's only concern—the withdrawal of Labor ministers from government has left important posts vacant. Among those who have been tapped to fill the void is former Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, who accepted the post of foreign minister on four conditions.

First, Netanyahu wants agreement on whether to exile Palestinian leader Yasir Arafat, a divisive issue in Israeli politics. Netanyahu and Sharon agree that Israel should exile Arafat. Second, he wants agreement on whether Israel should work towards the creation of a separate Palestinian state. Sharon favors the idea, while Netanyahu opposes it. The third issue is the location of a new fence along the border of the disputed West Bank territory.

Finally, Netanyahu demanded that Sharon call a general election within a few months, a demand that has been met. While Netanyahu will serve as foreign minister until a new government is formed, he will run against Sharon for the Likud Party leadership in primary elections and may recover the position of prime minister if he succeeds.

Wellstone's replacement may have cost Democrats valuable seat in the Senate

Courtesy of Reuters

Gov. Ventura and Dean Barkley speak to media in St. Paul. On Tuesday, Ventura appointed Barkley as the senatorial replacement for the late Paul Wellstone.

By Michael Dudzinski
Staff Writer

A blow to Senate Democrats, Gov. Jesse Ventura, I-Minn., appointed a fellow Independent Party leader as interim senator, following the tragic death of the late liberal Sen. Paul Wellstone.

The former wrestling star chose his former campaign manager, Dean Barkley, as a suitable replacement. As if the tension between the Democrat and Republican leaders was not stark enough, the decision continued the existence of an evenly split Senate.

Prior to Wellstone's death, Senate Democrats held a slight advantage with a 50-49 majority following Sen. Jim Jefford's, I-Vt., disaffiliation from the Republican Party last year. Gov. Ventura's decision resulted in the Senate being once again split, yet this time with 49 seats apiece. According to CNN, the quest for majority status within the Senate affirms the highly influential role of third party leaders in American politics.

When questioned by *The New York Times* about his main objective as senator, Barkley said, "as much mischief as I can."

His statement is far from the truth. His neutral stance towards the two major parties further implicates the fate of Homeland Security legislation and various appropriations measures, which was emphasized by *The New York Times*.

MSNBC points out that the Independent senator undermines the significance of his colleague, Jim Jeffords, to the Democratic Party. The Barkley vote has suddenly emerged as invaluable to the Democrats if they wish to maintain a slight edge. Unlike Jeffords, who almost always votes with Democrats, Barkley may not be as promising to the Democratic agenda.

Although the duration of Barkley's interim status is unknown, the decisive swing vote may revive the lost momentum of the Republican Party. When party-backed legislation is brought to the floor in a split Senate, the Barkley vote would prompt Vice President Dick Cheney to break the tie in favor of the Republicans. CNN cited Cheney's importance as a tiebreaker prior to Jefford's disaffiliation from the Republican Party.

Under Minnesota state law, the interim senator is only to serve until the election results are certified on Nov. 19. At that time, the victorious candidate would be sworn in as senator, replacing his late predecessor. CNN explained that Senate rules take precedence over state law, which would permit Barkley to serve until January.

Ventura hinted it is highly probable that this would be the case. If so, it will provide the Republican Party with an incentive to bounce back over the next couple of months if it can effectively win the Barkley vote.

Ventura signaled that he would appoint a suitable replacement for Wellstone, suggesting the appointment of another Democrat.

When memorial services turned partisan, the governor angrily criticized Democrat and Republican leaders, according to MSNBC. To express his disdain for party politics, Ventura had decided it would be appropriate to select an independent candidate.

As a result of Tuesday's elections, the GOP has once again regained control of the Senate. The appointment of Barkley is an added bonus to the Republican Party.

It is now possible for Senate Republicans to get an early boost even before their takeover in January.

The Republican victory may entice Barkley to back the agenda of the upcoming majority party. Analysts point out he can make or break the Republican Party's momentum before the end of his interim term.

Getting involved on Election Day

Student shares how she participated in Tuesday's election

By Michelle Johnson
Writer

What were you doing on Nov. 5? Most University students were probably attending classes, studying, hanging out with their friends, doing laundry or running around completing errands. Some people may even be wondering about the significance of that date. This is not a surprising phenomenon since we live in the "bubble" and sometimes go an entire week, if not more, without watching the news. For those of you who don't know where I am going with this, Nov. 5 was Election Day. Voters of all ages flocked to the polls this year to make some critical choices.

Political Perspective

This was an important election for both major political parties in the United States. Democrats were scrambling to maintain their narrow majority in the Senate and many were optimistic that this would be the year they could take back the House as well. Republicans were fighting for a sweep of both houses of Congress. Add to this a few volatile gubernatorial races and you end up with one of the most interesting Election Days in recent years.

All this is occurring on such a large scale, that sometimes one person can become a little overwhelmed. How can I make a difference? This question was on the mind of many concerned and civic-minded Americans in the days leading up to Nov. 5. For some people the answer is to not vote, but for others, it is to find a candidate they believe in and possibly engage in grass roots political activity. This can range from petitions and protests to "get out the vote" actions like campaigning. This year I was able to participate in just such an activity when several University students traveled to southern Pennsylvania to campaign for Democrat Jim Maza, a candidate for senator in the state General Assembly.

My day started out at 8 a.m. when we left the University to make the two-hour drive to Maza headquarters in Souderton, where we received instructions about where to go. Two other University students and I were assigned to a church in Lansdale, where we handed out literature about Maza, Joe Hoeffel, a U.S. Congressional candidate from the Democratic Party; and Ed Rendell, the Democratic candidate for Pennsylvania governor. Most people at least took the pamphlets that we handed them. There were some people who refused and there were even some that were mildly rude about it. But in the end, it was a great way to feel that you were making a difference and educating people about their voting options.

During the course of the day, I worked at three different polling places. I met a few interesting people, including those who were campaigning for the opposition. We talked to a sweet elderly woman about why had she switched over from running for mayor on the Democratic ticket to being a staunch Republican supporter. Despite having to stand in the cold for about nine hours, I felt good as we headed back to the University. I had gained the invaluable experience of working on a political campaign. I got to interact with different people from different places and hear about what was important to them.

Working at this level of politics goes beyond just voting. You are not only focusing on what you believe, but instead are trying to convey your beliefs to others because you feel that they might be beneficial to potential voters.

For those who feel that their vote is just part of some undistinguishable aggregate that has no real impact, political participation outside of the voting booth offers immediate satisfaction and a gratifying feeling that they are actually making an impact in a tangible way. It enables people, especially those who are considering careers in the government, to see first-hand the inner workings of the system. Personal benefits can include résumé building, travel experience and in many cases a little extra spending money as most candidates are willing to pay campaign workers for their efforts. I would highly recommend students here and at every college find a candidate in whom they believe and work to get them elected.

Out of the three candidates we had on our ticket in the Souderton area, two of them were successful. Rendell was elected the next governor of Pennsylvania with a 53 percent to 45 percent victory over Republican candidate Mike Fisher according to CNN. Hoeffel also defeated his Republican opponent, Melissa Brown, in a 51 percent to 47 percent win.

As for the candidate for who we were specifically campaigning, Maza, unofficial poles had him losing to the Republican candidate Rob Wonderling in a 60 percent to 40 percent margin. Even though this was particularly disappointing due to the time and effort that had been expended, I learned that it is not really about winning or losing. It is about standing up for what you feel is right and not being discouraged by the setbacks that will inevitably occur along the way.

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Men's soccer gains 2-0 home victory over Navy

After a 1-0 loss to Lafayette, the Bison's postseason fate in the Patriot League is now out of their own hands

By Tara Utchel
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The men's soccer team rebounded with a powerful 2-0 victory over Navy on Oct. 30 after losing to Lafayette 1-0 on Wednesday. Bucknell still has a chance to make postseason play, but the loss to Lafayette took the Bison's fate out of their hands. A playoff berth now depends on the results of other league games.

"It would great to find a way of getting into the playoffs," Mike Lookingland '05 said. "It can happen, and I think it will give us another chance to show what our program is made of, and maybe get into the NCAAs and start to make a name for ourselves."

Bucknell did not allow the loss to Lafayette to affect them. The players held their heads high as they played Navy last Sunday. Christopher Beekman '05 scored the first goal of the game in the 21st minute. Nick Taylor '03 tore through the center midfield and drove in a crisp pass to Eric Brunton '06.

From the left corner of the field, Brunton crossed a lofted ball over the outreached hands of the Midshipmen's keeper. Beekman leaped from the 4-yard line and headed the ball into the top right corner of the net.

"Against Navy, we finally started putting ourselves in a position to score goals. We took half-chances in hope to get a rebound," Tom Ryan '03 said. "In other games, such as Lafayette, it seemed that we waited for the perfect shot. So before the Navy game, we really practiced on our offense and fortunately it paid off."

Dennis DeLuca '05 earned the second and final goal of the game. DeLuca received a pass from Ori Adrabi '05 and ripped a shot from 40 yards out.

"It was the prettiest goal I have seen since I have been here," Lookingland said." The keeper had no chance of even coming close to making the save. In fact, no one could have saved that shot at the speed it was traveling."

"They laid it all on the line against Navy. It was our first 90-minute game on both sides of the ball this season," Head Coach Brendan Nash said. "We attacked throughout the game and created many good scoring chances. When Navy did attack, we did a very good job of preventing them good shots on goal."

The 2-0 win over Navy put the 2002 team in the record books for a variety of accomplishments. Bucknell captured its ninth shutout of the season. The team is only one shutout shy of tying the program's record. Adam Edwards '06 has played in goal for all nine of those games. Taylor, with his 12th career assist, tied for 10th on Bucknell's all-time top 10 list.

"Nick Taylor is outstanding every game he plays," Nash said.

Bucknell, with its 12th win, tied the school record for the number of wins in a season. The Bison have two remaining games and have a chance to beat that record.

Last Wednesday, the team played well against Lafayette, but took a loss to the Patriot League foe.

Reece Pacheco—*The Bucknellian*

The men's soccer team beat Navy on Oct. 30, but lost to Lafayette. The Bison had a 2-0 victory over navy.

Reece Pacheco—*The Bucknellian*

The men's soccer team did not allow its loss against Lafayette to affect them. The Bison play Army this weekend.

"We played hard and Lafayette played hard. We knew it was going to be a 1-0 game, it was just a matter of who made the most of their chances," Nash said.

Despite the poor field conditions caused by a constant fall of sleet and the near-freezing temperatures, the Bison managed to showcase their talents as a team. The offense failed to seal the deal by not putting the ball in the net.

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> —Head Coach **Brendan Nash**

The second half did not measure up to the team's first-half performance.

"The main setback in the Lafayette game was that we came out flat in the second half and they just pounced on every 50-50 ball and just seemed to outwork us in that half," Lookingland said. "I thought we dominated the first, but it was reversed in the second half. We could of played with a little more urgency, I think."

Lafayette managed to break the game's scoreless streak with a goal in the 73rd minute. The Orange and Blue could not retaliate with a tying goal. The score remained 1-0 for the rest of the game.

"Right after the game the team did not respond well," Coach Nash said. "We have had some tough breaks and the team did not handle the officials, the opponent or the loss very well. Once we got back to practice, the team got back on track for our remaining games."

The Bison will be back in action when they play Army at home on Sunday.

"Even though our fate of the tournament is not in our hands, we still feel that we should win the next two games," Ryan said. "Army will be a special game because it is a league game and because it is the last time the seniors will play on our home field. Overall, we are very excited about the games to prove to ourselves and our fans that we are one of the best Bucknell men's soccer teams ever."

The match on Sunday against Army is a special day, not only because it is Homecoming Weekend, but because it is the last time the Bucknell community will have a chance to see the 2002 team and its seniors play in Lewisburg. Kickoff is at 2 p.m. on West Fields.

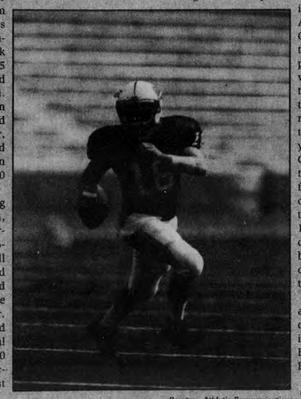
Bison drop fourth straight

By Cory Nadler
Senior Writer

Bucknell turnovers proved to be too much to overcome, as the Holy Cross Crusaders turned three first quarter turnovers into 24 first quarter points, and went on to beat the Bison 38-21 last Saturday in Worcester, Mass.

The momentum was against the Bison from the get-go. Two plays after receiving the opening kickoff, quarterback Cole Ciesnolevicz '05 was hit in the back field and fumbled the ball. Holy Cross recovered on the Bucknell 23-yard line. Four plays later, the Crusaders connected on a 1-yard touchdown pass to take an early 7-0 lead.

On the ensuing Bucknell possession, Ciesnolevicz was intercepted at the Bison 26-yard line. The Bucknell defense was able to hold the Crusaders to a field goal, like they have done so many times this year. The Crusaders knocked in the 35-yard field goal to make the score 10-0 with 8 minutes, 55 seconds to play in the first quarter.



Courtesy Athletic Communications

Bucknell scored all of its points in the second half, as Todd Wenrich (above) threw a 4-yard touchdown pass and ran 2 yards for a score.

The Bison offense could not get the ball moving on their next possession, and had to punt. Three plays later, the Crusaders connected on a 32-yard touchdown pass to make the Bison deficit 17 points midway through the first period.

Two Bucknell possessions later, the Bison were stuck deep in their own red zone. The Bison punt attempt was blocked, and returned five yards for a Holy Cross touchdown to make the score 24-0 at the end of the first quarter.

Things did not improve too much for the Bison in the second quarter. After forcing the Crusaders to punt on the first drive of the period, Ciesnolevicz was intercepted for the second time, and the interception was returned 22 yards to the Holy Cross 48-yard line. The Crusaders were able to put together their first impressive drive of the game, moving the ball 52 yards on 10 plays. The scoring drive was capped off by an 18-yard touchdown pass to make the score 31-0.

"It was turnovers and mistakes that caused the problems in the first half," Head Coach Dave Kotulski said.

After taking a 31-0 deficit into the locker room at halftime, the second half did not start in Bucknell's favor.

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Volleyball falls to American University

Bison defeat Navy Midshipmen 3-1 but fall to American

By Brent Butler
Sports Editor

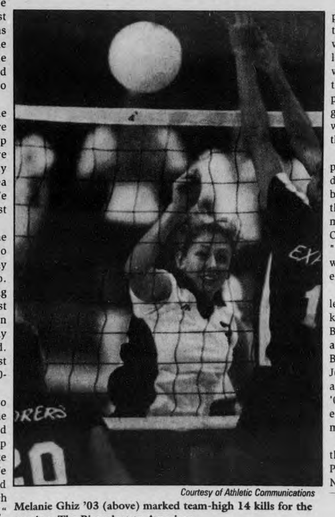
The Bison Volleyball squad fell 3-1 to Patriot League foe American University last Saturday. American has been at the top of the Patriot League for the past couple of years and has proved difficult to beat in the past.

"Heading into the American game we were pretty pumped up because the last time we faced them it was a really good match," Chelsea Anderson '06 said. "We really held our own last time we played them."

"As we got into the match, the first two games didn't go the way we wanted them to. American was playing really well, and we just didn't have the emotion and didn't play with any heart," Anderson said. Bucknell fell in the first two games, 30-11 and 30-15.

"After the first two games, we went into the locker room and realized that we had to pick up our game and play like we know we can. We came out in the third game and played much better and beat them," Anderson said.

After intermission the Bison came out as a different team, avenging the first two games losses, beating American 30-28. In the final game of the match the Orange and Blue fought valiantly, falling short at the end, to lose by a close 30-27.



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Melanie Ghiz '03 (above) marked team-high 14 kills for the evening. The Bison lost to American.

"We definitely picked up the momentum and were happy with our play in the last two games. If we would have started the match the way we played in the third game, we definitely would have beaten them," Anderson said.

"We showed a poor offensive and defensive production, but continued to battle throughout the match," Head Coach Cindy Opalski said. "We beat ourselves with many unforced errors."

Melanie Ghiz '03 led the team with 14 kills on the night. Breean Trapasso '04 added 40 assists to the Bison effort, while Jennifer Wrigley '03 and Chelsea Anderson '06 tallied 10 digs each during the match.

On Friday, Nov. 1, the Bison defeated Patriot League foe Navy. In the first

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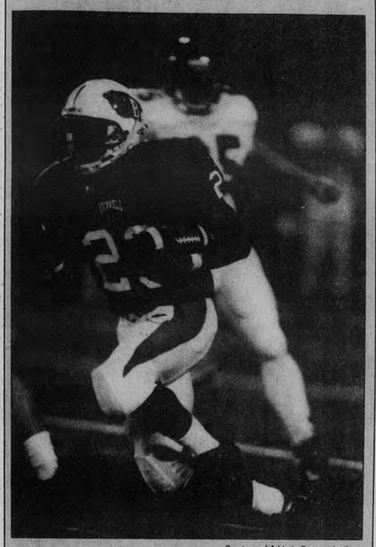

Courtesy of Athletic Communications

Blamah Sarnor '06 runs with the ball at Saturday's game against Holy Cross. The Bison lost 38-21.

After receiving the kickoff to open the half, the Bison looked as though they were putting together a solid drive when Ciesnolevicz was intercepted for the third time.

Two plays later, Stephane Pluviose '04 picked off a Crusader pass and returned it 19 yards to the Holy Cross 11-yard line. Seven plays later, Raphael Darrington '05 ran the ball in from four yards out to put the Bison on the scoreboard at 31-7.

The Bison looked as though they were driving in for another score to begin the fourth quarter, but Ciesnolevicz was hit in the back field, and fumbled the ball. The Crusaders recovered and returned the ball 33 yards to the Bucknell 35-yard line. The Crusaders, connecting on a 1-yard touchdown pass 10 plays later, made the score 38-7 with 9:57 remaining in the game.

On the ensuing Bucknell drive, Ciesnolevicz was intercepted again, but the Bison defense was able to force a fumble two plays later, recovering the ball at the Holy Cross 33-yard line.

On the next drive, Todd Wenrich '03 replaced Ciesnolevicz at quarterback and completed three out of his four passes on his first drive, including an 8-yard strike to Jim Horan '03 for a touchdown. The Bison trailed 38-14 with 6:49 to play.

On the last Bison possession of the game, Wenrich led his team down the field, and capped off the 13-play, 74-yard scoring drive with a 2-yard touchdown run of his own. The Bison lost their fourth straight game 38-21.

Even though this game seemed as though it was very one-sided, while the Bison actually outplayed the Crusaders according to statistics, they could not overcome the five turnovers. The Bison were still not happy with how they played.

"We didn't do our job keeping the other team out of the end zone," Pluviose said. "We are just not making the plays, and the other teams are."

The Bison were somewhat satisfied with their effort in the second half, even though it was not enough to pull out the game.

"We fought through the second half. The players decided they were going to keep on playing," Kotulski said.

Bucknell looks to turn their season around when they host Lafayette College for Homecoming Weekend this Saturday at Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium.

"We need to come out with a different mentality to stop teams no matter what the situation is," Pluviose said.

Johnston wins Patriot League X-C title

By Evan Honeyfield
Staff Writer

Courtesy of the cross country team

Bryan Johnston '03 poises himself to take the lead from American rivals. Johnston stayed near or on the pace throughout the 8,000-meter race before drawing away to a dominating 8-second victory.

Bryan Johnston '03 put on a dominating show to win the men's individual title at the Patriot League Cross Country Championships held at West Point on Saturday. His performance led the men to a 3rd-place finish, while the women's team finished 2nd in an intense race that was lost by a single point.

The women's race broke early with Samia Akbar from American University taking it out hard. The rest of the field quickly strung out. Theresa Dennis '03 moved into 2nd place and was able to hold the position to finish 48 seconds back to lead the Bison.

"Three or four of us ran together for the first 1,000 meters, then Samira took it hard up the ski hill. I wish I would have won, but I let her go too early," Dennis said.

American had a strong advantage early on, but the Bison held tough and worked up through the field, closing the gap. Niki Piper '03 ran perhaps her best race of the season finishing in 6th place.

Alison Cole '06 moved up nicely to finish in 8th. The meet was so close that it took several minutes for the release of the official score, which came out in a one-point favor of American (42-43).

Dennis, Piper and Cole each earned 1st team all-league status for their performances while Katie Pfeifer '05, Jamie Gow '06 and Kayla Halloron '06 earned 2nd team All-league for their top 20 finishes.

The men didn't fare quite as well as the ladies, finishing with 82 points in a distant 3rd place to No. 28 American and No. 46 Army. Almost the entire field was together through two miles. Slowly the lead pack dwindled and Johnston was the sole Bison in a mix of four American runners, a couple cadets and a few others.

Courtesy of the cross country team

Rachel Tutmaher '06 leads a charge of Bison runners, from right to left, Jamie Gow '06, Jen Malcolm '04, Megan Schollenberger '06 and Nichole Lynn '03. The team ran well, falling short a mere point.

As planned, Johnston made his move with about 1,500 meters to go. He quickly put a gap between himself and the rest of the lead pack, finishing eight seconds ahead of second place in a course record time of 25:43.

American's strong front running dominated the race from early on, but the race for second took a while to unfold. About halfway through, as the front pack was dwindling, Army was able to move a pack of six runners slowly up in the standing. In the end, Stephen Schaefer '04 was the only other top 20 finisher for the Bison, finishing in 18th. Nick Mousetis '04 (21st), Wes Reinhardt '04 (22nd) and Eric Furst '03 (24th) completed the scoring for the men.

The Bison now begin their final preparations for the regional meet on Nov. 16 at West Virginia. Dennis and Johnston will both be looking to individually qualify for nationals while leading their two teams.

VOLLEYBALL

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game of the night, the Bison easily defeated the Midshipmen, 30-23. The Orange and Blue captured the second game 30-26 after hitting with a .333 percentage. The midshipmen returned after the intermission with a renewed vigor and were able to steal one game from the Bison by the score of 30-26, but Bucknell responded in the fourth game and finished off Navy with a 30-23 victory.

In the fourth and final game the Bison hit a .361 percentage which helped lead the team to victory.

Breean Trapasso tallied an impressive 47 assists for the Bison. Jackie Leahy '05 marked a team high 16 kills on the night, while Brandi Trapasso '04 and Ghiz '03 each had 13. Brandi Trapasso led the team with 25 digs, while Carolyn Dougherty '05 added 15, Breean Trapasso added 12, Chelsea Robertson '05 added 11, and Wrigley '03 added 10 to the Bison victory.

"We definitely picked up the momentum and were happy with our play in the last two games. If we would have started the match the way we played in the third game we definitely would have beaten them.."
—Chelsea Anderson '05

With only a few more games to go in the regular season, the Bison are optimistically looking towards the playoffs.

"I am definitely looking forward for the playoffs," Anderson said. "I think we have a pretty good chance of going all the way."

The Bison now hold a 13-11 overall record and are 7-4 in the Patriot League. At 7 p.m. tonight the Bison will host Patriot League foe Holy Cross in the Davis Gymnasium.

This match will be broadcast live on the Bison Sports Network on WMLP-1380AM and over the Internet at www.BucknellBison.com. The action will be called by the "Voice of the Bison" Doug Birdsong. Bucknell will also host Army tomorrow.

BUCKNELL BISON™ Statistics

Soccer
Men's

Bucknell	2
Navy	0

Goals: Beekman, DeLuca
Assists: Adrabi, Taylor, Brunton
Saves: Edwards 3

Bucknell	0
Maryland	1

Saves: Edwards 2

Women's

Bucknell	0
Navy	2

Saves: Purse 3

Field Hockey

Bucknell	0
American	4

Saves: Wettergreen 9

Bucknell	0
Georgetown	1

Saves: Wettergreen 9

Volleyball

Bucknell	3
Navy	1

(30-23, 30-26, 26-30, 30-23)

Bucknell	1
American	3

(30-11, 30-15, 28-30, 30-27)

Men's Water Polo

Bucknell	7
Johns Hopkins	10

Cross Country
Patriot League Championship
Men's *3out of 7*
Notables: 1. Johnston
18. Schaefer

Women's *2 out of 7*
Notables: 2. Dennis
6. Piper 8. Cole

Football

Bucknell	21
Holy Cross	38

Scoring: TD Darrington (Landberg kick), TD Horan (Landberg kick), TD Wenrich (Landberg kick)
Rushing: Sarnor 19-90, Wenrich 6-19
Passing: Ciesnolevicz 13-27-4 89

BUCKNELL BISON™ Calendar

Volleyball vs. Holy Cross
Friday, Nov. 8
7 p.m.

Field Hockey at Lafayette
Friday, Nov. 8
12 p.m.

Bucknell Sprint Invitational
Saturday, Nov. 9
2 p.m.

Football vs. Lafayette
Saturday, Nov. 9
12:30 p.m.

Volleyball vs. Army
Sunday, Nov. 10
7 p.m.

Men's Soccer vs. Army
Sunday, Nov. 10
12 p.m.

Men's Basketball Big Apple Exhibition
Thursday, Nov. 14
7:30 p.m.

Sports Ops

Cecily Cairns Classic Corner

Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

Dear Harvey ...

Barry Bonds just can't catch a break. Blame it on fate, blame it on luck, blame it on his bad attitude. It probably wouldn't even be inaccurate to assume that the constant barrage of monkeys climbing on and off his back and chewing away at his soul are simply soldiers in the army of some overseeing force of justice, watching over baseball and ensuring the sports world that no such self-absorbed figure as Bonds ever gets his due.

Still, justice or no justice, Bonds got jipped. On Oct. 26, seven innings into what seemed to be the final game of the World Series, he was voted the unanimous Series MVP. Vindication was just around the corner. Then his team dropped a five-run lead, the game and then, the next night, the whole Series. Bonds' .471 batting average, 4 home runs, .700 on-base-percentage and World Series-record 13 walks would be left without reward to fester deep within his bitter memories.

It's difficult to harbor much sympathy for the cantankerous slugger, but it can certainly be said that his World Series numbers will go down in history as one of the most spectacular losing efforts in sports.

It's a soul-devouring experience to have unfurled the performance of a lifetime and still walk away without the spoils. Historians and fans tend to direct their fond memories towards winning performances, and in doing so often neglect some of the greatest efforts of all time.

Just ask Harvey Haddix. Remember his name from MasterCard's Memorable Moments campaign? Of course not—he wasn't on it. But sometimes his name is included on the list of pitchers who have achieved the Holy Grail of single-game performances, a perfect game. After all, if there is such a thing as "most perfect," Haddix's performance on May 4, 1959 was just that. Almost.

Haddix's name is tailed by an asterisk, and it's got to be the most gut-wrenching asterisk in any record book. "The Kitten," as he was known, pitched nine perfect innings that day. When his Pirates could not score, he went on to pitch a 10th perfect inning. And an 11th. And a 12th. In the 13th inning, he lost it all: the perfection, the no-hitter and even the win. Haddix was robbed of history because his team picked a bad time to "practice non-violence at the plate," as Roger Angell would have said.

While the topic of bad timing is on the table, it's only appropriate to bring up one of the greatest comebacks ever orchestrated on Monday Night Football. A 1994 showdown between the Broncos and the Chiefs presented a familiar fourth-quarter predicament: John Elway's Broncos were down by three with just over four minutes left in the game. But Elway, the indisputed king of comebacks, turned in a masterful performance as he guided his Broncos into the endzone with 1 minute, 29 seconds remaining.

There aren't a lot of comebacks that have been more scintillating, more jaw-dropping or more improbable anywhere in the sport's history. Unfortunately for Elway, one of the few that was, happened to take place in that final minute and 29 seconds remaining on the clock that evening in Denver. Football's other master of miracles, Joe Montana, led his Chiefs right back down the field to steal the victory with eight seconds remaining. One of Elway's greatest comebacks never made it into his tally of game-saving drives.

While Elway went on to garner plenty of redemption later in his career, some athletes never got around to kicking the curse of second-best. Take, for example, Alydar. In the 100-plus years of history associated with horse racing's Triple Crown, he's the only horse to have placed second in all three races, all three times to the same rival. Alydar possessed all the qualities that define a Triple Crown winner; he had stamina, speed, consistency, durability, heart and just plain brilliance.

He had one big flaw, though: he was born in 1974, which means he shared a foal crop with Affirmed, who had all of those qualities and a little more. While Alydar got a little closer to his nemesis with each race, missing by just a nose in the Belmont Stakes, he was doomed to become only the means to another horse's glory. While Affirmed went home with the Triple Crown trophy and eternal fame, Alydar was left to sniff longingly at the trail of botanical residue that had floated off of the flower blankets draped upon Affirmed's shoulders, with nothing to show for his efforts and his brilliance but the nation's sympathy.

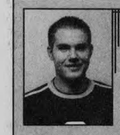
Many athletes and teams have been afflicted with the wretched epidemic of "seconditis" over the years—far too many to include in a single column. There's Sammy Sosa, who's hit over 60 home runs in three different seasons—enough in each case to have eclipsed Roger Maris' old record—yet did not even lead the league in home runs in any of those three years. As far as teams go, perhaps no squad is more unfortunate than the Buffalo Bills, who made it to, but lost, the Super Bowl four years in a row, one time by one point in the final four seconds.

The list goes on and, of course, will continue to grow. There's always somebody forced to cope with heartbreak, the unfulfilled dreams or the faulty whims of justice. But that's just how it goes.

There's a story that goes with Haddix's tale that goes as follows: In the wake of his heart-wrenching stumble from perfection, he was inundated with sympathy—the usual prize for those who falter on the verge of great accomplishments. He got one letter, though, upon which was jotted only four words: "Dear Harvey, tough sh-t."

The 34-year-old lefty eventually came to peace with the realization that those four words laid out for him. There will always be losers, and sometimes in the process of losing they will be subjected to great agony. But if they are lucky—and most of them *are*—they will be fortunate enough to step back out on the mound, the field, the track or wherever they belong, and have the pleasure of trying again what they failed to achieve the first time around.

For the price of a 37-cent stamp, maybe someone should let Barry Bonds in on this little secret.



Scott Kloss
Senior Writer

Looking ahead

Let's start with some encouraging news out of the NBA for future Olympic basketball teams. On Tuesday night swingman Kobe Bryant of the Los Angeles Lakers agreed to play for the U. S. Olympic basketball team in 2004, citing how "world order" needs to be restored after the United States debacle this past summer in the World Champions, failing to even reach the Final Four. (If you remember, most American basketball stars took the summer off to recover from the NBA season, so the United States was not properly represented.)

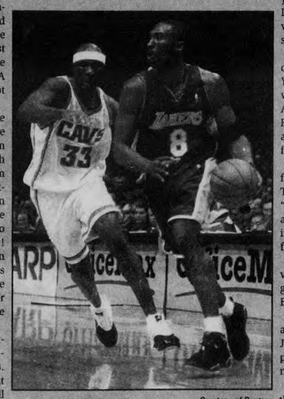
Kobe's presence will open the floodgates to what should be a true All-Star cast and a comparable team to the original Dream Teams. With Jason Kidd, Kevin Garnett, Tim Duncan, Shaq and Bryant anticipated to be the American starting five in 2004, competing countries have already begun to fight over who looks better in silver or bronze! How about Vince Carter, Allen Iverson, Tracy McGrady, Chris Webber and Ben Wallace off the bench to spare the spent players for a minute or two? I can hear the American anthem playing already.

How about some college football? Let's begin with the No. 1-ranked team, the Miami Hurricanes. Hmm, wait a second, it seems that they are ranked No. 2 in the AP poll while ranked No. 1 in the USA Today/ESPN poll.

Did you see Miami last week going yard-to-yard with the New Jersey Rutgers juggernaut football program? Actually, it was actually quite amazing to see the Scarlet Knights putting up quite a fight, holding to a 17-14 lead with six minutes to play. Then everything fell apart and Miami realized that they are the No. 1 football team in the country and started to play like it (28 points in 6 minutes).

The Hurricanes, led by quarterback Ken Dorsey who already has 20 touchdowns, and running back Willis McGahee with over 1,000 yards rushing and 16 touchdowns of his own, usually dismiss opponents before the first half whistle, but Rutgers held strong. Hobbes is sporting a healthy 13.5 yards per catch with 19 receptions on the year, and Carty is working the WR/special teams' role very well.

and attend the No. 19-ranked Penn State vs. Illinois football game. We had no idea we were in for a landmark occasion. Once we found some hot chocolate and wrapped blankets around us, we witnessed a record setting performance by running back Larry Johnson. Johnson, who rushed for 279 yards and a touchdown, broke Ki-Jana Carter's previous record by 26 yards. With 107,000 other Nittany Lion fans forming a sea of blue and white, the experience was extra sweet.



Courtesy of Reuters

Kobe Bryant of the Los Angeles Lakers has agreed to play for the 2004 U.S. Olympic team.

Switching to the field of dreams, baseball announced its Cy Young award, given to the most valuable pitcher in the league. Arizona Diamondback hurler Randy Johnson won the prestigious award with a clean sweep of all 32 first place votes.

The 6-foot-plus giant with a fastball almost as feared as "Wild Thing's" fastball in the movie "Major League," has won the award in all four seasons since signing with the Diamondbacks as a free agent.

Johnson was modest about his victory, commenting mostly on his golf trip planned on the Pebble Beach Golf Links.

"I've got them in my office, and they're displayed nice," Johnson said. "I'm a very simple person, and I work hard, and I push myself, and this is the reward."

Finally, I'd like to share a story that should make even the most secure professional athlete cringe in fear. Czech Republic soccer team Sigma Olomouc's is currently sporting a dismal 2-5-5 record placing them 13th in a league of 16. Apparently embarrassed by a sub par performance and fearing a huge "Decker Effect" newspaper sighting, a team official came up with the brilliant idea to encourage their players to play to their potential.

"We were wondering how best to punish players who are paid royally but play lousily," Club Chairman Jiri Kubicek told the *Mlada Fronta Dnes* newspaper. "Then a club official came up with this idea."

The Sigma players favored this suggestion and one said, "We hope the stadium will be packed. We want to get the fans back on our side.'" As my grandfather would say, "Well then play better!"

I was extremely privileged to join a few friends last week

Me Like Sports tuw

Aaron DeRosa
Sports Editor

The best of

On this auspicious occasion, i.e. too busy to be original, I thought it might be nice to take a step back and look at the dumber things I've said over the course of my time with this column and even, as a special treat for you, pre-"Me Like Sports" snippets. So kick your heels off, grab a glass of merlot and some cheddar Goldfish and relax as I take you back to a much simpler time, when I was more naive.

"For this inaugural column I thought it wise to share some sort of anecdotal explanation for why I approach sports the way I do. A rationale for the pissiness, the resentment, the laughter, the mayhem and the romance ... however, despite the wisdom in the aforementioned approach, I'd rather leave it up to your imagination and perhaps you'll keep reading, and <forced cough> enjoying, my articles. So without further ado:"
—Jan. 25, 2002

On Michael Jordan's return to the NBA ... for the second time: "It's funny to watch him now. It's like slow motion, but everyone else is moving at regular speed. They say the first step is the most important one, but for Jordan, the first step is the only one he can muster without getting winded ... If he has anything in his favor this year against the younger talent, it's that the noises his muscles and bones make must sound remarkably similar to the squeaking wheels of a 'Radio Flyer' wagon, deafening his opponents out of the paint ... And he'll rebound—just that chances are it will be from hip surgery."
— Nov. 2, 2001—"This wizard still has tricks up his sleeve"

On the Patriots' Super Bowl victory: "Deciphering who among the country's sports analysts actually gave the Pats a fighting chance, as opposed to the well-wishers and those who yearned to be 'that genius' who picked the victorious underdogs, is more prickly than a liberal-feminist porcupine at a pro-life banquet hosted by spiky-haired hipster Sid Vicious circa 1978."
—Feb. 8, 2002—"Analysts, Patriots and Madden, Oh my!"

On sportsmanship: "... Athletic competition does not function without the constant sportsman-whiner paradigm. Without such a system in place, games would go smoothly, athletes would enjoy themselves, my complexion would clear up, Kobe Bryant wouldn't be allowed on television, water would cease to flow, hell's smoldering fires would fizzle and Saint Valentine would not be the wretchedly abhorred meddler he has become."
—Feb. 15, 2002—"Sportsmanship is overrated"

On faux Yankee fans: "When I think about it though, I use Yankee 'fans' just as much as they use me. They use me to make them feel better about themselves because they're insecure about their parentage or the size of their sexual organs. I use them as a season marker, like leaves falling in autumn, when these 'fans' start popping up like insufferable weeds in wasteland barren of credibility, dignity and self-respect, I know it's October."
—Nov. 9, 2001—"Desti-NY? Desti-NO"

On being asked to play in a national wiffleball tournament: "With over $2,000 at stake, I began my grueling training regime that very night. A combination of 10 pushups, 10 situps, four dorm room shuttle sprints (approximately 10 feet each sprint) and a voice preparation lesson where I yell at myself in the mirror saying 'COME ON! Pick up the pace! Leave your 'B' game at home, you bring your 'A' game to work ...'
—Sept. 28, 2001—"Major League... Wiffleball?"

On Roger Clemens and Barry Bonds: "[Clemens] is a fierce competitor who gets this fiery look in his eyes whenever he plays. Remember when he threw that broken bat shard at Mike Piazza in the World Series? Man, 'The Rocket' was unstoppable. I haven't seen competitive nature so strong since Mike Tyson, and HE was a role model... [And Barry Bonds] was born under Lyndon B. Johnson's administration. He lived through disco AND techno. If we can't worship him for his slugging prowess, then at least we can bow to his ability to survive two horrible decades of music. I wonder if he ever sported an Afro or got to meet Joe Piscopo. He deserves to have met Joe Piscopo."
—Sept. 14, 2001—"When the tie that Bonds becomes the knot that kills"

On the contraction of the Expos: "And now, 30-odd years after a bunch of stoned frat guys thought it would be cool to 'expand their world' by expanding baseball, the Expos find themselves voted off the island with no cruise liner to take them back. They are the ultimate lame duck. With the Damocles sword of contraction looming over their heads all off-season, the team begins the season knowing that come next April they'll be mowing lawns or placating shut-ins at the old-folks home."
—March 1, 2002—"You're from Canada, eh?"

On paying NCAA basketball players: "This is the most absurd malarkey I've heard in the sports community since the last time John Madden opened his mouth. Why on earth would we consider paying these students? They are students, not athletes. The concept is mind-boggling. It makes about as much sense as Dennis Miller's latest 'Monday Night Football' dithyramb on fundamentalist Hittite code of laws in reference to a Michael Strahan sack ...
"I'd like a free college education. How about you? But I can't shoot a layup over an oompaloompa with chronic fatigue syndrome and amyotrophic lateral sclerosis—does that hurt my chances of a free ride? Or what if I really excelled at bocce (which I do)? Where's my big contract? Someone get me Scott Boras."
—March 29, 2002—"Athletes demand respect ... and a healthy stipend"

On Tom Brady and Drew Bledsoe: "After all [Bledsoe] did for the Patriots, he was benched behind a 24-year-old fourth string quarterback who, against all odds, single-handedly saved the world from a malevolent strain of subcutaneous parasitic microorganisms using only a small paring knife, a rusted door hinge and three cubic feet of duct tape á la MacGyver, Drew simply sat with his clipboard and cheered him on like Mr. Miagi did for Ralph Macho."
—Apr. 26, 2002—"Drew who?"

On fantasy baseball: "The best is the waiver wire. Last season, at a friend's house, inevitably the conversation drifted to fantasy baseball and we decided to go check how our teams had fared that night. I logged on first and was discussing the fact that I wanted to sign a player off the waiver wire.
"My friend's face went taut and he became agitated, trying to divert my attention to other matters. But I was undeterred. Needless to say, there was as struggle, there was biting and gnashing of teeth which ultimately resulted in him pulling the plug out of the wall.
"It being a slow Macintosh computer, I thought I stood a chance. I promptly said goodnight, ran to my car, raced home at an average of 50 miles per hour through Suburbia, N.Y., signed online and promptly signed the man (Mark Buerhle for those who care) while an agitated friend sat waiting for his computer to boot back up. It was the most glorious moment of my life."
—April 19, 2002—"Where are you going with my keyboard?"

On pushing yourself to the limit: "When I play sports now, I know that I'm buying into a gender stereotype; I understand that I have nothing to prove to anyone but myself; I know the needless sacrifices we make for glory, respect, honor and pride. But my intensity is just as strong as it was that day I broke my hip. And sometimes I can feel the remaining muscles get caught on the unnatural edge when I walk or exercise or if I'm just tossing the football around with my cousin. But I'd take another one for the team in a heartbeat, and I'd do it all again if I thought I could have gotten one more touchdown ... or one less snicker at role call."
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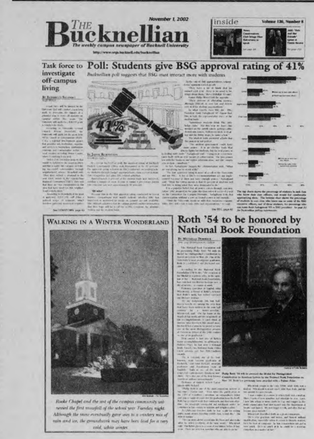
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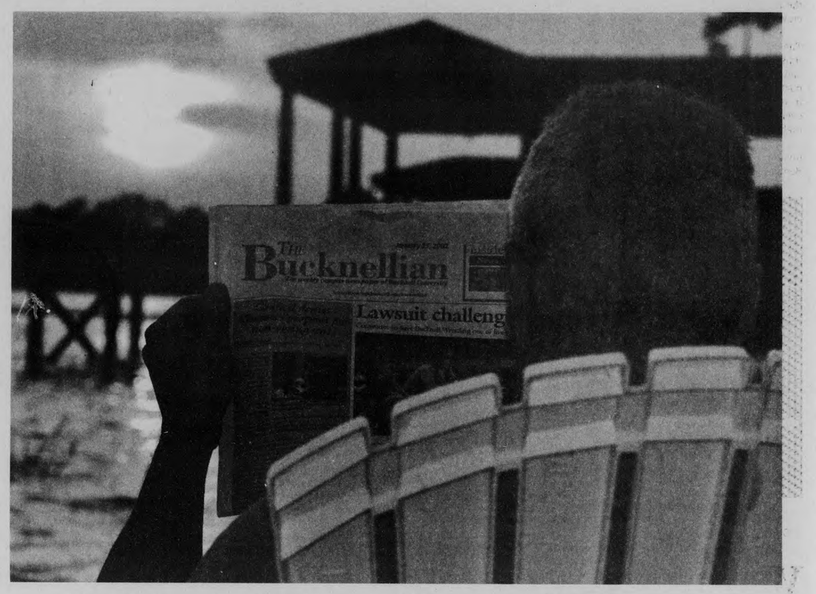

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Sports

Men's crew team finishes fall season

By Ashley Maliken
Writer

The past two weeks the Bucknell men's crew had a series of good races. On Saturday, Nov. 2 the team competed in The Head of the Occoquan Regatta in Fairfax, Va. The regatta represented the final race of the fall season for the squad. The crew did not leave the regatta disappointed.

The Novice men came out in impressive form. The Novice "A" boat medaled with a third place finish in the Collegiate Novice event behind Army and George Washington respectively. The "B" boat came in with a respectable 16th place finish in the field of 23. Meanwhile in the Varsity club event, the Men's varsity crew came in a very reputable 8th place in a field of 24.

"We passed four boats and were only a half a boat length from two more," Robert Bentinck–Smith '05 said. "We had a really strong showing, and I am very pleased with the outcome."

On Saturday, Oct. 26 the men's team traveled to Philadelphia to compete in the Head of the Schuylkill Regatta. That is one of the largest regattas in the country, and the team showed what Bucknell crew was made of by placing with strong finishes throughout the regatta. The men's varsity crew made an impressive showing by placing 7th in a field of 34.

The competition is very fierce at the Schuylkill Regatta and a 7th place finish is very respectable. The novice men pulled out an impressive performance, with the "A" boat coming in 21st and the "B" boat coming in 35th. This was the Novice teams' first race, and they were able to defeat all of their Patriot League competition.

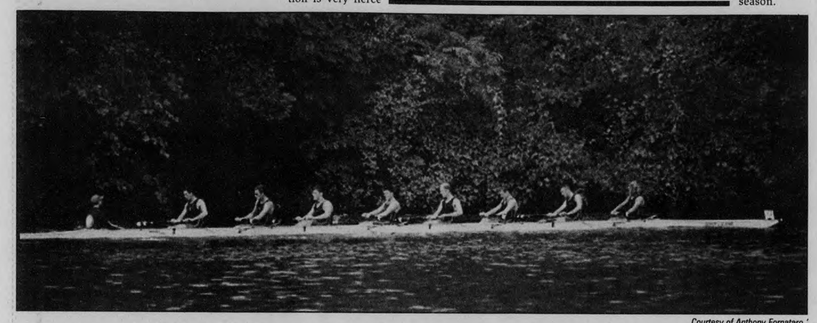
The men's Crew now looks forward to a long winter of land training and conditioning as they prepare for the upcoming spring sprint season.

Head of the Occoquan Regatta

Bucknell Novice A boat – 3rd overall, 15:34.8
Bucknell Novice B boat – 16th overall, 17:23.9 23 total boats
Bucknell Varsity – 8th overall, 15:06.0 24 boats total

Head of the Schuylkill Regatta

Bucknell Varsity 7th overall 13:56.19 34 boats total
Bucknell Novice A Boat - 21st overall, 14:59.59
Bucknell Novice B Boat - 35th overall, 16:16.76 49 total boats


Courtesy of Anthony Formataro '

The varsity squad placed 7th in the Schuylkill Regatta on Saturday Oct. 26. From right to left the varsity club Eight (Above) includes Trevor Gibson '03, Steve Patak '05, Brian Albert '03, Aaron Bates '03, Matt Albrecht '04, Raf Crowley '04, Jeff Dasch '03, Aaron Casagrande and coxswain John Watereman.

Field hockey falls 1-0

By Ashley Hall
Staff Writer

The Bison field hockey team battled Georgetown on Sunday, Nov. 3, to come out of the game with a 1-0 loss. Georgetown's Lauren Galbally scored the only goal of the game with only 8 minutes, 39 seconds remaining in the second stanza to capture the win. The goal was scored off a penalty corner with assists from Shelby Samperton and Beth Gagnon. This was the final game in the regular season for both teams.

Bucknell totaled six shots on goal, while Georgetown recorded 18. Sonja Wettergreen '03 had nine saves in her final regular season game.

On Saturday, Nov. 2, Bucknell was out-scored 4-0 against American University in the final Patriot League conference game of the season.The first goal of the game was scored by Shannon Goans at only 8:30 into the match.

The score by Goans, with assists from Maranzano and Magdalena Aguilar, put American ahead at the half.

In the second stanza, Aguilar scored three goals to hand Bucknell a 4-0 loss. Her total goals for the season sailed to 15. Wettergreen had nine saves for the match while American goalkeeper Laura Miller recorded eight. American had 15 shots on goal and Bucknell had eight.

The Bison finished their regular season with a record of 7-11 overall, and 3-3 in the Patriot League.

"It was a tough season with a lot of emotional ups and downs. Adjusting to losing eight starters was really hard, but we're a young team with an enormous amount of potential, and we can only get better," Lindsay Kroll '05 said. "Despite all the odds against us, we play so hard every game and get the results. Nobody expected us to win, but there's no doubt that we can." The leading scorer for the 2002 field hockey season was Meiko Boynton '05 with seven goals. Kirsten Nilsen '06 and Kelly O'Brien '06 both added five goals each. Amy Marvel '03 had four goals this season; while Carli Cataldo '06 and Cara Turner '05 added three and one respectively.

Wettergreen had 125 saves in the goal this season. Liz Jordan '06 had eight saves. Bucknell will now advance to the Patriot League tournament for the first time since 2000. They play Lafayette on Friday, Nov. 8 at noon. Lafayette is the top seed in the league, and Bucknell is the No. 4 seed.

The Patriot League championship game will be held on Saturday, Nov. 9 at 1 p.m. at Rappolt Field in Forks Township, Pa.

Womens soccer completes their season with a 2-0 loss

By Dave Cohen
Senior Writer

The Bucknell women's soccer team completed its 2002 campaign on a losing note on Nov. 2, dropping its third consecutive game to Navy by the count of 2-0.

Like the predominance of the Orange and Blue's games this year, this one was a defensive dogfight. The ball was moved around the field at a fierce pace and the Midshipmen scored their first goal of the game in the fourth minute. Bucknell was unable to respond with a goal of its own, and Navy struck again in the 39th minute. Lauren Schwarz '03 believes that the team's inability to counter with a goal occurred continually throughout the season and does not indicate failure to fight and compete.

"This season has had its ups and downs. I think, this year, the fact that we were a young team caught up to us. A lot of times this season we lost games based on inexperience and simple errors that a team can't afford to make at the college level," Schwartz said.

"Despite that, the team never gave up during the season and that is the No. 1 quality of this team that will carry them to the top again. It has been disappointing not getting back to the tournament, but when it came down to it, we couldn't put the ball in the back of the net."

Schwartz also spoke about the Navy loss specifically, and how badly the team wanted to complete the year on a winning note.

"Although we had hoped to finish the season with a victory, it was also important for us to finish the season strong and leave everything on the field," Schwartz said. "When we play Navy it's always a battle, and I don't think the score reflects how many chances we actually had to tie the game and even get ahead, which is very frustrating. Although we didn't win the game, the entire team played hard for 90 minutes."

The Orange and Blue outshot Navy 10-7, with senior Emily Keber's two shots a team-high for the afternoon. As one of the team's leaders, Keber said that the team battled until the end against the Midshipmen and that the season's ending did not sink in immediately.

"I thought we had moments of greatness on the field, but we just couldn't put one away," Keber said. "It seems to be a pattern for us. It hasn't really hit me yet that [the season] is over. It just feels like a day off today. Once the week gets going without practice is when I will probably realize it is over for good. That will be sad."

Unlike Keber, Tara Uchel '03 felt the effects of a college season and career ending instantly.

"Emotionally, this season was difficult to handle especially coming off of last year's championship. I'm frustrated with the outcome, but I am nowhere near disheartened with the team," Utchel said. "We worked day in and day out with passion. We put our heart and soul into each game regardless of the outcome. We never gave up. That collective conviction and commitment of the team is what makes college sports so special. It has only been a few days since my soccer days at Bucknell have ended, but I already miss it."

"Although we had hoped to finish the season with a victory, it was also important for us to finish the season strong and leave everything on the field."
—Lauren Schwartz '03

Laurie Purse '03 had three saves for the squad, which fell to 6-9-2 overall and 1-5-1 in the Patriot League following the loss.

Schwartz believes that the Bison can return to success. She provided words of wisdom for next year's team.

"My advice for the team next year is to continue to believe in each other and believe in themselves. A great strength of this team is the bonds and friendships between players. They must use that to their advantage because other teams may have talent but they don't have the heart," Schwartz said. "Additionally, you have to love the game. Whether it's in practice or a game, you have to be willing to give it your all day, in and day out. The team has a lot of paybacks to make next year, so I think they will be fired up to get back on top."

Courtesy of Athletic Communications

Women's soccer midfielder, Tara Utchel '03 was named to the second-team All-League in the Patriot League.

Justin McCarthy
Senior Writer
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NFL PREDICTIONS

Atlanta (5-3) at Pittsburgh (5-3)
The Steelers, at 5-3, have the largest division lead in the AFC, and are one of the hotter teams in this season of streaks. The Steelers have won four in a row, but so have their opponents from Atlanta. Atlanta has the 3rd-ranked rushing attack in the NFC, led by quarterback Michael Vick. But Vick may be forced to go to the air against a Steelers' defense that is ranked 2nd in the NFL against the run, allowing less than 82 yards a game. The Steelers may have rushing issues of their own if Zereoue has to fill in for Bettis, who has missed the last two games with a sprained knee. With Zereoue getting his first 100-yard rushing game and recording 173 total yards last week, he has proven himself. The Falcons have only beaten the Steelers once in history, and that stat will remain the same.

Kansas City (4-4) at San Francisco (6-2)
The Chiefs enter San Fran leading the NFL in scoring 32.4 points a game. They also bring with them the league's worst scoring defense, which is allowing 30 points a game. The Chiefs have major defensive concerns, which will only be exploited by the Garcia-to-Owens connection that is backed up by a very solid running game. The Chiefs definitely have offensive power comparable to Niners, especially in their rushing game led by Holmes, the league's leading rusher. As in their previous four losses, defense will lead to the fall of the Chiefs.

Miami (5-3) at New York Jets (3-5)
I think there can be no doubt that Fiedler is Miami's MVP, after leading them to a 5-1 record the Dolphins are winless without him. Now with backup quarterback Lucas suffering from an injured shoulder, third-string quarterback Sage Rosenfels (who?!?) may have to start. The Dolphins need to just run the ball with Ricky Williams, and use that premier running back in their backfield. The Jets lost in week 3 to the Dolphins 30-3; that was a Fiedler-led Miami team and these Jets have improved in recent weeks. I'm going to say the only way the Jets lose is if Williams beats them, which is of course very possible. My pick goes to the Jets.

Houston (2-6) at Tennessee (4-4)
The current Houston team versus the former Houston team. The Titans have won three in a row and finally their defense is playing up to its potential. After allowing 114 points in a three-game span of losses, they have allowed only 53 in their past three games. That stat doesn't help the chances of the Texans pulling off a third win considering they are the lowest scoring team in the NFL. The Texans offense will also have trouble considering they have allowed a league leading 45 sacks, and will be facing a Titan defense that ranks 4th in the AFC in that category and is looking to get a boost from the possible return of Jevon Kearse. In this matchup the old beats the new.

Oakland (4-4) at Denver (6-2)
After starting 4-0 the Raiders looked like the team to beat in the league. After dropping to 4-4 you have to ask the question, "Is this team maybe just too old?" After averaging over 40 points a game in their first four contests, the Raiders haven't scored more than 21 and are averaging a meager 16 points in their past four games. At the halfway mark of the season many people have called the Broncos the best team in the AFC, some even say the NFL, and this Monday night will be a perfect venue for Griese to prove them right against the Raiders who are better than 4-4 and will be playing to keep pace in the division. Denver is playing better football now, and that's all the matters when they get the win.

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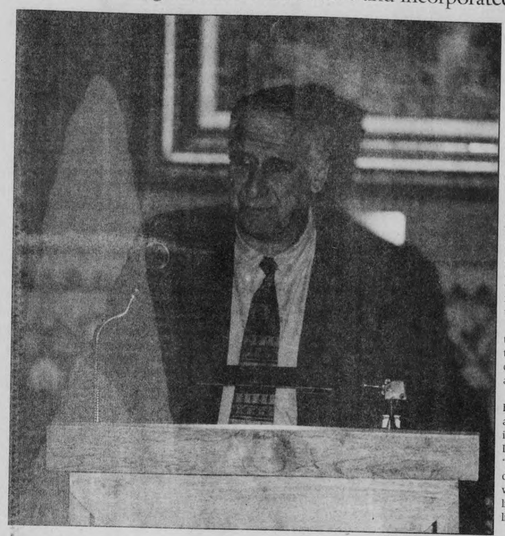
Arts & Entertainment

Nationally renowned poet reads

Hirsch's reading addressed erotic love and incorporated historical elements



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Edward Hirsch reads his poetry in Bucknell Hall. During his reading, Hirsch used two different speaking voices. One voice he was comical and casual, while the other was serious and paced.

By David Allen
Staff Writer

Last Sunday evening, nationally renowned poet and critic Edward Hirsch gave a poetry reading in Bucknell Hall in an event sponsored by Professor of Biology Gary Sojka and his wife Sandy in recognition of the Stadler Center for Poetry and the University Press.

Associate Professor of English and Director of the Stadler Poetry Center Cynthia Hogue gave a brief introduction in which she mentioned a few of Hirsch's many accolades. He is the recipient of a MacArthur "genius" grant for his work, and was recently appointed head of the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation. Hirsch is the first poet ever named to that position.

Hogue also praised Hirsch's work, stating that she is most struck by "his erudition, which he wears lightly" and the "depth of wit" in his works of poetry and prose.

Hirsch gave a short prose reading taken from his work, "How to Read a Poem and Fall in Love With Poetry." He described his first encounter with a poem at the age of eight—stumbling upon one of his grandfather's books in the basement, discovering an unattributed poem that struck him very deeply and assuming his grandfather was the author.

Years later, after this poem "opened an unembarrassed space ... that would never be closed," he found that the poem he attributed to his grandfather was actually written by Emily Brontë.

The pairing of Hirsch's reaction to the poem as a youth and the unpleasant realization of a misguided assumption provided a humorous effect. This lighthearted approach characterized many of his direct addresses to the audience throughout the evening.

Hirsch read poems from several of his published books, including 1994's "Earthly Measures" and 1999's "On Love." His poems were both intellectual and accessible, with many allusions to other famous writers, classical myths and scriptural elements of the Bible and the Torah. The subject material varied greatly, but every work had a similar mood—containing very intense and rich with images and descriptions, but not heavy.

What seemed most striking about Hirsch's reading was the difference between his two speaking voices. The one with which he prefaced his poems and bantered with the audience was joking and casual, almost like that of a stand-up comedian. The voice with which he delivered his poems was much more serious. He seemed to labor at a steady pace as he placed careful stress on certain words.

Though each of the 15 poems he read was very well-crafted and effective, several stood out as incredibly unique and innovative works of poetry. Two love poems near the end of the reading were constructed as one lover addressing another in the setting of a classical text.

"The Sentence," based on Canto Five of Dante's "Inferno," depicted two lovers tossed by circling winds in the second circle of the Inferno, forever kept separate. "In the Mourning Fields" was set in Book Six of the "Aeneid."

One lover states, addressing the fate they share in the underworld, "it is written we were consumed by love on Earth/ a pitiless world above." These two poems were part of a larger section of poems constructed around allusions to classical mythology, all of which involved symbolic journeys into the underworld.

Tommy Vance '06 commented after the reading that allusions of this magnitude "might seem very difficult to pull off, but he [Hirsch] made them seem like a breeze."

References to other writers within Hirsch's poems were also very striking and effective. "In Memoriam Paul Celan" is a poignant elegy dedicated to the poet. It is filled with funeral images, such as "beheaded roses" and "flowering blood drops," as well as references to the writer's dead body, particularly the eyelids and lips. It closes powerfully with the line, "Let God pray to us for this man."

"Simone Weil: A Year of Factory Work 1934-1935" is bracketed with images of food going cold on the table as the great 20th century philosopher, after whom the poem is named, sits exhausted by her work, unable to eat.

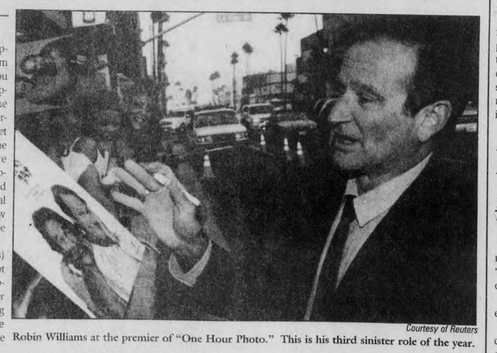
Hirsch addresses the topic of erotic love in guise of a famous French novelist in the poem "Colette." This last poem comes from his book "On Love" and is part of a series of imagined lectures on love by a wide variety of famous writers and philosophers.

Hirsch also incorporates broad historical elements into his poems. In "My Father's Childhood," he weaves tales of Jewish life in post-World War I Europe into a pensive, lamenting narrative. "The Poet at Seven" also includes imagery of war-torn Europe and the Holocaust, distorting the image of his younger self on the baseball field into one of "an exile ... a refugee ... a victim." "Ocean of Grass" tells the story of American pioneer women and their deep feelings of loneliness on the journey west.

Hirsch closed his reading by emphasizing the critical role that poetry has played in every great society throughout history and the importance of paying "attention to the language ... to the one-on-one encounters between poem and reader." He praised the efforts of the Stadler Poetry Center and the University Press to keep poetry present in the University community. The near-capacity audience's copious and appreciative applause and the long lines to purchase books and have them signed were indicative of poetry's strong presence and Hirsch's inspiring presentation.

"One Hour Photo" is poorly developed

By Jessica Cortese
Senior Writer



Courtesy of Reuters

Robin Williams at the premier of "One Hour Photo." This is his third sinister role of the year.

Movie Review 2.5/5

Do you ever think about what happens to your pictures when you drop them off at a photo finishing shop? Or do you mindlessly hand over the canister of memories, returning an hour later believing that the negatives have magically turned into 24 perfectly developed pictures? It is easy to forget that in order to get those pictures, someone has to study and cut the negatives, prepare them to be developed, set the length of exposure and finish the prints in the lab. Good developers give each roll plenty of personal attention, because they know just how important those glossy pieces of paper can be to a person.

Seymore "Sy" Parrish (Robin Williams) makes sure to give all of his customers a lot of attention when he's working on their photos in the dark flick "One Hour Photo." After working at the one-hour photo finishing stand at the same SaveMart for over nine years, he starts to enjoy the photos of some customers more than others.

Sy's favorite customer is the Yorkin family. Nina Yorkin (Connie Nielsen) has brought in pictures documenting her relationship with Will (Michael Vartan) since before their son Jake (Dylan Smith) was born. Jake calls Sy "Sy the Photo Guy" and the family treats the elderly man kindly as he makes comments about its personal family moments. It all seems a little weird, but not nearly as weird as seeing Sy make triple copies of the Yorkins' photos in order to keep a set for himself. "Sy the Photo Guy" may seem harmless, but seeing his walls plastered with another family's photos and his daydreams of being "Uncle Sy" turn this happy family's life upside down.

The characters are all a bit underdeveloped in this first film by Mark Romaneck. Nina's loving mother act appears to be, well, an act, although there is nothing in the script to warrant that. Will is a hard working but absent father, but that doesn't mean he should lack a personality. Jake shows the most complexity of character as he deals with feeling bad for Sy and feeling as if he should not trust a stranger.

As Sy falls deeper into his delusions, the script continues to depict him as a harmless, lonely, abused old man who genuinely cares about the Yorkins. The progression is needlessly dragged out, and the ending is somewhat anticlimactic, although undeniably creepy.

Williams seems to be on a dark, sinister movie kick after roles in "Insomnia" (2002) and "Death to Smoochy" (2002), which is an exciting and broadening opportunity for him. Maybe next time he should make sure the movie has a *good* dark, sinister plot before signing on.

Lutz is dedicated to music

By Stephanie Nickse
Senior Writer

Neal Lutz is a senior who stands out from his classmates for his dedication to the University's music programs. His primary instrument is the saxophone, but he is by no means limited to it. He is skilled in playing the oboe and can teach most instruments.

Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian

Neal Lutz '03 is a music education major. A very active student, Lutz co-directed the football/baseball pep band and volunteers at the Harrisburg Symphony.

Lutz came to the University determined to become a music education major. Not only has he focused on obtaining a degree in music, but he has also proven his interest in enhancing various music groups on campus.

Lutz has performed with a number of performing ensembles on campus. He is a member of the symphonic and jazz bands. He also plays in the wind ensemble and is a member of the University orchestra.

Lutz joined the football/basketball pep band during his first year here. By his sophomore year, he was appointed co-director of the band. He took responsibility for selecting music for each performance, leading band rehearsals and directing the band at various school events. He said that co-directing the pep band "has been a fun, enjoyable and educational experience."

Lutz has met his position's requirements with success. Since he and another student became directors of the band, the number of members has more than doubled.

Lutz has also found individual success in the world of music. During his first and second years, he played the baritone saxophone in the Opus Saxophone Quartet.

"Membership in this group was my first significant experience playing chamber music, and I loved every minute of it," he said.

The quartet performed at two recitals and two receptions on campus.

"[Chamber music is] a dichotomy of dependence and independence," Lutz said. "On the one hand, each performer must be secure in his part. He must understand when to be in the background and when to move to the foreground. On the other hand, he must work closely with his fellow performers. He must listen acutely for intonation and blend."

After this group dissolved, Lutz formed a new group—the Saxophone Quartet. The group performs various musical pieces, ranging from those of the French masters to ragtime to string quartet transcriptions. Lutz plays the alto and soprano saxophones for the group and is also responsible for administrative work and directing rehearsals.

Lutz has been invited to perform as a member of the Pennsylvania Intercollegiate Band for the past two years. The band is comprised of approximately 120 students from colleges and universities across the state.

Lutz also finds time to volunteer in the community, sharing his ability and expertise with others. He is a volunteer at the Harrisburg Symphony, visiting schools to prepare students for the symphony's concerts by teaching them about the music they will hear and about proper concert etiquette.

"Most recently, I taught two movements of Shostakovich's 'First Symphony' to six classes of middle school [students] at a small Catholic school in Mechanicsburg, Pa.," Lutz said.

As if this wasn't enough work, Lutz still finds time to assist in the direction of the Mifflinburg Area Marching Wildcats, act as the orchestra librarian—a position he has held for the past three years—and assist in teaching music theory at the University.

Last summer, Lutz found that working for a summer day camp geared towards teaching elementary students about visual art, music, dance and theater was very satisfying.

"I realized that teaching music was something I still wanted to do," he said.

He enjoyed the opportunity to work with other music teachers and to design school lessons to the ages, abilities and interests of students.

Lutz currently is preparing for his senior recital, and he knows that he ultimately wants to make a career out of music.

"Music started out as a hobby, but has now grown into a future career," he said.

He will graduate from the University in May with certification to teach general, choral and instrumental music to grades K-12. Lutz is certain that he wants to teach after graduation but his long-term goals are still up in the air.

"The ideal job would be a high school band director," he said. "Eventually, I would like to pursue a master's degree."

Lutz's senior recital will be held in the Natalie Davis Rooke Recital Hall of the Sigfried Weis Music Building on Sunday, Nov. 17, at 2:30 p.m. He will perform four alto saxophone pieces with piano accompaniment, one piece by the University Saxophone Quartet and a solo alto saxophone piece.

"The perfectionist in me worries about every single note and rhythm, and the musician in me worries about effectively communicating a musical thought to the audience," Lutz said.

The dedication that he has shown in his pursuit of music at the University will surely pay off for him in his performance.

Hoyle a unique individual

By Melinda Kummer
Senior Writer

The man who breathes fire, eats glass, jams nails in his nose and sometimes juggles says he is "very careful." Jonathan Hoyle '04 doesn't at first come across as being careful.

"I like to think that there's something different about me than everybody else," he said.

Long hair pulled back, whiskered face and clothes without J. Crew labels, he gives off vibes of artistic rebelliousness.

A complicated paradox, Hoyle is a double major in geology and theater. Most interested in lighting design, geology occupies the time he does not spend in the theater.

His geology roots partially stem from his hometown of Willow Grove, Pa., where he works during the summers at the Pennypack Trust nature reserve. He said he works particularly in the land management department, which roughly translates to mowing the grass.

Performing the role of president of Bucknellians for Peace consumes the rest of his waking hours. Free time is a commodity he does not remember.

Progressing from lighting design for two showcases in his first year, Hoyle co-designed the lighting for "Fefu and Her Friends" this semester. Other projects for the year include lighting design for two pieces in the fall dance performance and lighting design for the theatrical showcase "Oleanna."

Preferring lighting design for dance pieces as opposed to theatrical shows, Hoyle says it gives him "a lot more freedom ... I can design with less restrictions and really utilize the light by sculpting it as a medium."

"Jon has a well-developed artistic sense backed with strong technical skills that allow him to bring his design ideas to fruition on the stage," Lighting Designer and Technical Director Heath Hansum said. "He is excellent at problem-solving and likes challenges involving design and technology. He's the type of student I really enjoy having in my program."

Hoyle worked with Hansum over the summer at the Bread Loaf School of English in Vermont. He worked under Hansum as a Master Electrician.

Looking forward, Hoyle is unsure of what the future holds. Whether he goes on to graduate school, internships or freelance work, Hoyle's goal is to enjoy his time at the University.

"This is the last time I've got where I don't have any worries," he said

SPECIAL FEATURE

Body piercing: the hole story

By Leah Cunningham
Staff Writer

Many value the art of body piercing as a form of self-expression, an approach to creatively garnishing the body with a work of art. Others simply associate piercings with pain. Though older generations view body piercings as rebellious and impulsive, students think differently and encourage their peers to get a piercing if it suits their bodies.

"There seems to be this dark circle around the idea of body piercing, and people still think it is an unsanitary thing performed in 'dirty basements' with 'dirty needles,'" said Christina Sullivan, owner and piercing manager of Timeless Image Tattoo Studio and Body Piercing in Williamsport, Pa.

Timeless Image is a popular piercing and tattoo parlor where University students frequently go for their piercing needs.

According to Sullivan, Timeless Image "does anything from top to bottom," including navel, tongue, lip, eyebrow, labret, nose, ear, inner ear, genitals, nipple and various cartilage piercings. Prices vary from the most expensive piercings at $60 to regular ear piercings at $20.

Sullivan explained that the concern of students and adults alike is always the pain factor—"How much is this going to hurt?"

"I tell everybody to liken it to a shot, giving blood—it's all the same needle stick. Sometimes people make things worse by stressing out. Everyone has a different tolerance," Sullivan said. "A piercing is nothing someone cannot work through. I've had sunburns more painful than piercings!"

Sarah Saunders '06 contends that out of all her piercings—including ear and cartilage—getting her nipples pierced was the most painful.

"It wasn't unbearable and I would do it again," she said.

Saunders explained that she waited until she was 18, but her initial interest sprung when she was 16.

"I would say to just do it and not worry about it. They're cool and they're fun … I even convinced someone on my rugby team to go do it!"

Lauren Lombardo '05 has a total of eight piercings, five in her left ear and three in her right.

"I had virtually no pain from cartilage piercing, and I was able to sleep on it two days after," Lombardo said.

Lombardo explained that one of her more painful piercing experiences involved her bellybutton, which she decided to take out.

"My belly button took a lot longer to heal," she said. "It probably took a month for me to be able to put pressure on it without feeling pain."

Searching for a unique look as well, Ryan Ford '06 has a lip ring he got done in Ocean City, Md.

"I don't have anything to compare it to, but it hurt really bad," Ford said. "When I first got it, I used Bactine and mouthwash. I'm sure there are worse things to get pierced, and it was only temporary pain. I could still eat, and it didn't swell up or get sore."

Students should remember to not overlook researching a piercing. Sterilization of needles and other health precautions are important to keep in mind when researching a piercing.

"We do our own sterilizing on-site because we decided that trying to trust someone else sending pre-sterilized needles would not be reliable. We have two sterilizers on-site and brand new needles," Sullivan said.

She said that every patient is given the necessary information about the needles.

"I give every new patient a little speech, show them the needles, explain how the package works, which involves a really easy sting sterilizer arrow on the back of the needle, which changes color when the process is completed. I give everyone the opportunity to inspect the package and dispose of the needle in front of the person."

Sullivan's best advice for anyone contemplating a piercing is to research.

"If you walk in somewhere and you don't feel comfortable, it's not a good idea. If you don't get help the way you want, don't do it. It's not a bad experience if you have a friendly atmosphere where you can feel at ease and not add to an already nerve-racking experience."

It is also important to know that most piercing parlors use 316 LVM surgical steel and that different people respond differently and may need titanium, nickel-negative or other various metals, depending on their body.

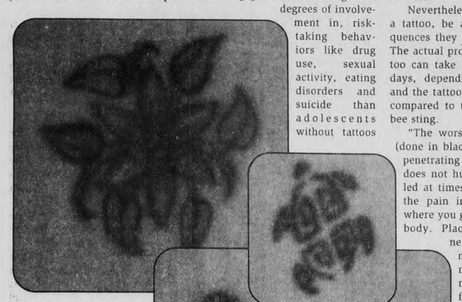
Body piercings are becoming more and more popular among younger generations, and students are investing more time into taking the right safety precautions to feel comfortable with their decisions. From tongues to lips, bellybuttons to eyebrows and nipples to noses, piercings are not solely the ear lobe decorations they used to be. If a body piercing is for you, then do the research, brave the pain, pick a place, know the price and pierce away.

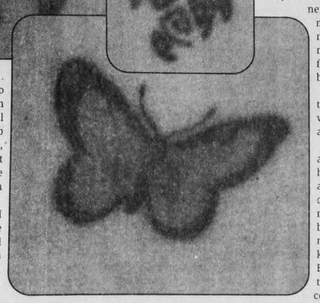
The art of tattoos: more than meets the eye

By Josie Cetta
Features Editor

In the past 10-20 years, tattoos have become more socially accepted. Although they are still not yet mainstream, tattoos are now looked upon as a form self-expression, with a deeper meaning than just what the eye can see.

When choosing a tattoo, it makes sense to look for unique symbols that will have some personal meaning for you. The pain of having a tattoo removed is far greater than getting one and a scar will also remain. According to www.Howstuffworks.com, tattoo removal can cost between $400-$1,000. The tattoos alone only cost from $50-$100, for smaller ones.





"I love both of mine. I picked designs that have meaning behind them,therefore; I know it is something that I will always like," Jenica Asadorian '03 said.

Other University students agree.

"Thinking back on the tattoos I have, I'll never regret getting them or having them displayed on my skin. They are something I wanted, and they sort of reflect upon my personality and beliefs. I'll also always be young at heart, so when I'm 60 years old, I won't mind telling my grandchildren stories of the good old days!" Brandon Jackson '03 said.

Not everyone in today's society is quite as enthusiastic. Some are skeptical of tattoos being "just a phase" or a form of rebellion. In a Brown University survey done this summer on adolescents with tattoos and/or piercings, it was shown that they are more likely to have engaged in, and have greater degrees of involvement in, risk-taking behaviors like drug use, sexual activity, eating disorders and suicide than adolescents without tattoos and/or piercings. The survey involved 484 adolescents ranging in age from 12-22 years old.

"Some people tell me I won't want the design when i'm older and that it will make people look down on me," Asadorian said.

Greg Fitzgerald '03 said, "I frequently get the question, 'You know those are permanent, right?' People just don't understand how you could want to get one done."

For some, criticism is not even an issue.

"No one has ever told me that I shouldn't have gotten a tattoo, but even if someone did, it would not detract me from getting another one. A tattoo is something you get for yourself, and part of the fun in it is the shock factor," Sara Roth '05 said.

Nevertheless, when considering a tattoo, be aware of the consequences they bring—such as pain. The actual process of getting a tattoo can take hours, or sometimes days, depending upon the artist and the tattoo. The pain has been compared to that of a continuous bee sting.

"The worst part is the outline (done in black and with a deeper penetrating needle). The color does not hurt and actually tickled at times. Keep in mind that the pain involved depends on where you get the tattoo on your body. Places where bone or nerves are concentrated more are likely to be more painful than mostly muscular or fatty areas of the body," Jackson said.

Perhaps it is a tedious chore, but worth it in the end, according to Roth.

"My tattoo took about an hour to an hour and a half, so although the pricks didn't hurt that much, having your body pricked with a needle for an hour kind of wears on you. But I kind of figured that any pain was completely worth it; it was only an hour of moderate pain for something that would last a lifetime," Roth said.

What about issues of disease transmission? Non-sterile practices can, after all, lead to serious bacterial and viral disease transmission, such as hepatitis B, syphilis, tuberculosis and HIV.

An additional consequence to consider is that the American Red Cross will not accept blood donations within the year of your tattoo date.

Besides all of that, tattoos are addicting.

"I would definitely get another tattoo, but I want it to be meaningful, so I'm waiting until I find something that is. My friends who have tattoos say that it's addictive. Once you get one you have to get another and I totally agree," Roth said.

Others are more hesitant. "If you don't run out of places to put tattoos you definitely run out of cool or meaningful ideas. Case in point, my friend's second tattoo is a cowboy hat on her foot because she likes country music—at least last year she did," said Julie Anthony '03.

As for those against tattoos, Roth has a plan. "I can always cover it up if I want to," Roth said.

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A closer look at the tattoo process

By Josie Cetta
Features Editor

1. Usually, the tattoo process begins with filling out paperwork and showing valid proof of age. According to www.tattoo.about.com, most studios require payment before service is rendered.

2. The location of your future tattoo is then cleaned, usually using rubbing alcohol, and the hair in the area is shaved. Once again the tattoo area is cleaned to ensure a smooth transfer.

3. The next step is creating a stencil. Many studios use a machine called a thermal-fax, which transfers the tattoo design onto a special thermal paper. Soap, water or sometimes deodorant is then applied to moisten the skin and make for a clearer transfer of the design to the skin. The thermal paper is then pulled off leaving a blue-colored outline of the future tattoo. An autoclave (a heat, steam and pressure unit also used in hospitals) is used to sterilize the needle bars and the tubes.

4. The artist adds ink, placed in tiny "ink caps," to the tattoo machine and sets the needles and tubes in their place. Water is used to clean the needles from one color to the next. Ointment is added to ensure that the transfer design will not rub off and to allow the needle to move with ease.

5. The line work is then placed, followed by the shading and coloring. The needle goes about one millimeter into the skin, shooting ink into the second layer of skin called the dermis (seen through the transparency of the first layer, or the epidermis).

The movement of a tattoo machine is compared to that of a sewing machine. After the artist's work is completed, a hot towel is usually applied to the area. The tattoo needs to be treated as a wound, covered with ointment and a bandage for at least three hours.

SPECIAL FEATURE

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Eating right

By Alyson Walker
Features Editor

With winter rapidly approaching, doctors and nutritionists are warning people to watch their diets, according to CNN.com. Getting recommended amounts of vitamin C will help people fight off the winter sniffles.

It is especially important for students who live in communal housing where the flu runs rampant. In order to stay healthy, it is also recommended to wash hands regularly throughout the winter months.

"That's one of the most common ways for spreading germs from one individual to another—skin-to-skin contact," Paul Lyons, a family physician with Temple University School of Medicine said, according to CNN.com.

To help keep away the colds, maintain a healthy diet that will boost the immune system. Lyons stressed getting daily amounts of vitamins through foods like citrus fruit rather than taking dietary supplements.

According to American Dietetic Association spokeswoman Heidi Reichenberger, breakfast is mandatory for good nutrition.

"Skipping breakfast gives you the munchies later on and slows your metabolism down," Reichenberger said, according to MSN.com.

"I always eat breakfast because otherwise I'm hungry 20 minutes into class. My metabolism is high, and if I don't eat breakfast, I would need to eat more at lunch and dinner, and that's not healthy," Adam Turbett '04 said.

For other college students, breakfast is a grab-and-go—or more often, a skipped-meal.

"I don't like to have to get up any earlier than necessary to eat breakfast. Also, most days my classes are later in the day, so I don't feel like getting up to just go get food," Tamara Lapman '05 said.

Sometimes students feel that the grab-and-go meal is better for their time management, but it can be devastating to their health. Grabbing pizza and a soda every so often isn't bad, but it would be helped by adding salad or vegetables to the meal.

The USDA recommends following its Dietary Guidelines for Americans as well as the Food Pyramid, which was created after much research.

It isn't always easy to follow the guidelines, and for students it can be even more difficult either because of lack of transportation to a grocery store, not knowing what is used to prepare the food they consume in a cafeteria or trying to find the most convenient meal rather than the healthiest. Often, students gain the "Freshman 15" through their fast food selections.

Luckily for University students, there are several options that will help them balance their meals more. The a la carte options at the Bison currently include pre-made salads, fruit and vegetables in easily-carried containers for the student on the go, as well as a salad bar and fruit stand similar to that offered in the cafeteria.

"The Bison's recent decision to serve strawberries on occasion was awesome. It's better than just apples and bananas, that's for sure," Lauren Scott '04 said.

Even if you are in a rush, there is always a healthy option available. Combining good diet and exercise can help you stay fit all winter long.

THE DIETARY GUIDELINES FOR AMERICANS

Eat a variety of foods to get the energy, protein, vitamins, minerals and fiber you need for good health.

Balance the food you eat with physical activity—maintain or improve your weight to reduce your chances of having high blood pressure, heart disease, a stroke, certain cancers and the most common kind of diabetes.

Choose a diet with plenty of grain products, vegetables and fruits which provide needed vitamins, minerals, fiber and complex carbohydrates, and can help you lower your intake of fat.

Choose a diet low in fat, saturated fat and cholesterol to reduce your risk of heart attack and certain types of cancer and to help you maintain a healthy weight.

Choose a diet moderate in sugars. A diet with lots of sugars has too many calories and too few nutrients for most people and can contribute to tooth decay.

Choose a diet moderate in salt and sodium to help reduce your risk of high blood pressure.

If you drink alcoholic beverages, do so in moderation. Alcoholic beverages supply calories, but little or no nutrients. Drinking alcohol is also the cause of many health problems and accidents and can lead to addiction.

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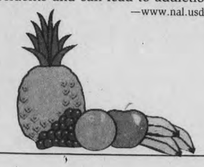

Staying fit

By Alyson Walker
Features Editor

Maybe the mention of the gym brings back old junior high memories of smelly uniforms and the shuttle-run, but recent trends in exercise have brought variety and technology together for efficient and fun workouts.

Recent research by Harvard University School of Public Health showed that the more intense the workout, the more benefits the person receives. The study also demonstrated that combining aerobic exercise with weight training can reduce a person's risk of heart disease.

"We found that the amount, intensity and type of exercise are all important when it comes to reducing the risk of heart disease," researcher Frank Hu, MD, Ph.D, said, according to MSN.com.

The study focused on how different exercise practices affected risks of heart disease for approximately 45,000 men. It is one of the first to demonstrate the effects of combining weight training and aerobic exercise to lower risk of heart problems. The study's more specific findings can be found in the Oct. 23-30 issue of *The Journal of the American Medical Association*.

Exercise can also help keep away winter weather blues, according to CNN.com. Continuing a regular routine will keep a person's immune system active and help to fight off colds and flus. It is not recommended to work out with a chest cold for personal safety reasons.

Technology has also increased safety at gyms. ProSpot, a new line of exercise equipment, uses special touch sensor technology, according to CNN.com. The sensors send a signal to the cables of weight equipment to catch the weight if the person drops the weight, taking the place of the spotter.

"It's the best breakthrough in technology we've seen in ages," said General Manager of G&G Fitness Equipment Mike Grant, according to CNN.com. "I've never seen anything like it. The second you let go of the bar, it locks up in midair."

ProSpot was invented by Michael Slawinski, a former semipro football player and now company chief. His purpose was fitness safety.

"An average of six people [are] killed every year from dropping weights on themselves," Slawinski said, according to CNN.com. "With [ProSpot's] many safety features, weight lifters will not have to be worried about being benched for life."

Other safety devices of ProSpot include an automatic lock, which locks the bar in place in case of either the cord being unplugged suddenly or a power outage occurring.

While this technology is primarily for safety purposes, others supposedly produce a better workout by informing the person of heart rate and calories burned. Some speculate that soon people will only purchase equipment offering these features in addition to distance and time measurements.

"In terms of cardio equipment, the interactive console is the most innovative technology to come out," Grant said, according to CNN.com. "The computers take your biofeedback, and if you had a stressed day, it'll react on the biofeedback. Most people don't understand the biomechanics and physiology of exercising, but you can just tell the machine what to do and it'll figure out the rest for you. If you want to know how much fat you're burning, or your target heart rate, just press a button and the machine will tell you."

This technology can be informative, but can also be an overload for the average person, who spends most of the day dealing with some form of technology, especially computers.

For those people, an aerobics class might be the perfect option. The new trend is for these classes to be thematic and different from the average workout class. One offered at Mission Viejo Crunch Fitness in California is Cardio Striptease—a class where the students work in stripper style, using sexy dance moves to keep the heart rate pumping for a full hour.

"The women have so much fun. The want to come out and be more sexy," Rob Glick, group fitness director at Mission Viejo Crunch Fitness said, according to MSN.com.

Other alternative classes include police and fireman fitness workouts based on training routines, boxing and a circus workout that includes a trapeze.

Although the University does not offer a flying trapeze, there are many options for students to choose from to vary their fitness routines. From lifting weights to the many types of cardiovascular machines, students can use the Recreation and Athletic Center individually, or join a class. The classes include step aerobics, cardio-kickboxing, pilates and aerobic dance.

"I teach a dance aerobics class because it is a nontraditional form of aerobics," Julie Schmidt '05 said. "People that enjoy dancing, but do not have the time commitment that other dance functions require, now have the option to involve themselves in not only something they enjoy, but also an activity that gets them moving!"

Finding an exercise that is enjoyable is the first key step in keeping a fitness routine said Daniel Lavan, MD, spokesperson for the American Heart Association, according to MSN.com.

"It probably won't surprise many people that regular exercise is good for your heart," Lavan said. "The problem is that few people are doing it. I would like to have a nickel for every piece of exercise equipment that is gathering dust in someone's bedroom."

With the different options available at the University, students should be able to find a way to keep in shape while having a good time.

"In a culture that thrives on youth and well-being, fitness is critical both physically and mentally. Fitness is not about having the biggest muscles, but rather control that one has over his or her own body," Schmidt said.

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Abroad perspective: Zanzibar, Tanzania

By Gina Conenello
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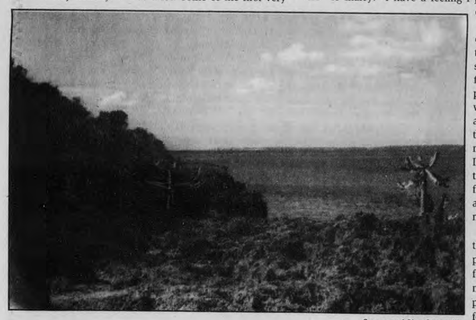
Imagine yourself in a market on a tropical island off the coast of East Africa. It is your first day on the island and you have major jet lag. You have just been dropped off with a girl who you met this morning. The two of you have a list of things to buy and places to go. No problem, right? Wrong! The things on the list you have to buy are in Swahili, a language you can't speak, let alone read and pronounce. You have money to buy what you need, but you have no idea how much things cost and how much your money is worth. The second set of problems you have relates to your total lack of knowledge of where you are. Now you have four hours to navigate around a town and complete your list of tasks and somehow make it back to the guesthouse where you are staying, the name of which you don't really remember. My official tasks were as follows:

Find the following locations: the academic adviser's house, the post office, the Zanzibar Medical Group and the Old Fort

1) Buy an ndizi. How many different kinds are there?
2) Where is the Anglican Church? What's its history?
3) Where would you go to get a boat to Pemba or Dares-Salaam? How much would it cost?
4) Where is the fish market? Find out the Swahili names of two types of fish.
5) Where is the Ngome Kongwe? What activities take place there?
6) Buy two different kinds of matunda.
7) What is a daladala and what are they used for? Where are they found and how much do they cost?

Welcome to my first day abroad in Zanzibar, Tanzania. It was a tad stressful and a bit scary, but mostly just exciting. My experience abroad was definitely not a trip for the faint of heart. That first assignment was tough, but we got almost everything on our list accomplished and learned that ndizi are bananas and a daladala is the Zanzibar equivalent of a public transportation system. I will never forget the feeling of total ignorance when we were first dropped off. I didn't know the language, and knew that most people in the market didn't know English. I had no idea where I was and I was afraid to ask.

Over the next few days the seven other girls on my program and I learned a lot about Zanzibari/Swahili culture. We learned the basic Swahili greetings, how to dress, how to act, how to carry our money and what we needed to do to stay healthy. It was a lot. Some of the first very



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A view of the Indian Ocean and Stowe Town from Chango Island. Conenello learned to surface dive to see well-preserved reefs in East Africa, found in Mafia Island Marine Park.

important lessons I learned were: how to properly tuck a mosquito net into my bed; how to properly eat with my right hand (left hands are used for bathroom duties); how to take a shower from a bucket and most importantly; how to stay safely hydrated when it is 100 degrees out and you have to keep your knees and shoulders covered (Zanzibar is a Muslim island).

The next hurdle we had to overcome was learning a new language in three weeks. Our intensive Swahili course started about a week after arriving on Zanzibar. We met in one of our rooms in the guesthouse for four hours a day (two in the morning and two in the late afternoon) with our Zanzibari Swahili teachers. Luckily, we all looked forward to our classes because we all felt a great urgency to learn to communicate with people on the street and eventually with our home stay (host) families.

My only drawback in communication was the pronunciation of my name, which sounds like the Swahili word for "name." Every time I introduced myself it was like an Abbot and Costello act. Example of a typical introduction: "Hi, my name is 'name.'" Reply: "Yes, your name, what is it?" Me: "Name." This could go on for quite some time until I eventually gave up and told the person that my name was Aisha (the Swahili name given to me by the academic director to help us acclimate ourselves to the culture).

Living with my home stay family was one of the best experiences on my trip. At first I was a little let down because I didn't have any little brothers or sisters. All I had was a 21-year-old sister, Halem. In the end, it turned out to be the best thing for me because I became very close friends with Halem's friend Ashuu. As for the little kids part, there were plenty of those. I was like a local circus attraction, the weird, new, white, American girl who couldn't even speak Swahili. I was an oddity; that and my home stay family thought that I was a complete idiot. That was probably a reasonable assumption though considering I could only make basic sentences like, "I went to the market today" and "I have to go to school tomorrow at 8 a.m." I even had to be walked to school for a week and a half because I got so lost walking around town, even with a map.

My family instructed me on how to do everything. They taught me how to eat. They told me when I needed to shower, how to dress, how to greet people properly, and translated the best they could when the two 5-year-olds across the street, Dule and Yoo, came to talk to me. Luckily, I had an open mind and I was willing to learn all that I could. I found their instruction extremely useful and only slightly demeaning (but what can you expect when your vocabulary is less than a 5-year-old's). All in all, I made a lifelong friend during my homestay in Ashuu, to whom I still write.

Now I would like to share a few favorite stories that sum up many of my experiences in Zanzibar.

Pemba: the island of marriage proposals

In Zanzibar culture it is apparently quite common for men to approach young women on the street and ask their hand in marriage. We were warned about this by our academic director, but were really in disbelief about this phenomenon. I was the first person to experience this uniquely flattering situation. My first proposal happened as I was walking by myself on the outskirts of Chake Chake (a main town on Pemba Island).

Courtesy of Gina Conenello

Conenello being taught how to cook Swahili food from Ashuu's mom. Ashuu (sitting) is with her sisters and other girls that live on the same street. Conenello and the seven other girls in the program learned about the various aspects of Zanzibari/Swahili culture.

While walking, I stopped to talk to an old man pushing his bike full of firewood. This man had to be at least 65 and had about three teeth. I was chatting with him in Swhahili and, while I didn't understand everything he said, I thought that we were talking about school and why I was visiting Pemba. Boy was I wrong! I came to the realization that we were not on the same page when he asked me in English, "You husband?" At which point I tried to explain to the old man that I wasn't going to get married until after I graduated college. The hitch to that was that I didn't know the words for until, after, graduate and college. To make matters worse, I used the male form of the verb "to marry." I have a feeling I just left the old man quite confused.

After that little experience, I decided to come up with a standard reply to any future marriage proposals. My reply would be, "Hapana, asante lakini ninahitaji kumeliza kusoma na bado nitaolewa." In English, "No, thank you. I need to finish my studies first and then I will get married."

It was a good thing I practiced this phrase because just a few days later I got more marriage proposals while waiting for a daladala in a rural down called Mchangamdogo. I visited the town to try and get a casual interview with the clinician of the "hospitali," or clinic. After talking to the "doctor," as everyone called him, I went back to the road to wait for transportation back to my "hotel room" (and I use that term very loosely). I created a slight spectacle waiting by the side of the road (because I was probably the first white woman to ever show any interest in the small Mchangamdogo clinic). It seemed that almost all of the men in the town were now gathered around sipping Arabic coffee wanting to know what I was doing there and whether I was married because they had plenty of young men in the village that would love to marry me. I was talking to the one man who knew English, even though I was speaking in Swahili, and then the question came. "These boys (what looked like nine 16-year-old boys who just came from a soccer game) would like to ask you to marry them."

I must say I was a little confused. Did they all want to marry me at the same time, or was each one asking, hoping that he would be the one I would pick? Whatever the case was I recited my practiced marriage proposal rejection and laughed it off. Luckily a daladala came very shortly and I quickly got out of what was a mildly awkward situation. Never in my life could I have imagined that I would go abroad and get proposed to on a regular basis, but it definitely made the trip a lot more interesting.

Fish and Snorkeling: the education of a biochemistry major

So now you are probably wondering if I actually did any real studying while studying abroad, and I am happy to report that I did, although it might not have been the most relevant course work for a biochemistry major. One thing that my friends have noted since my return from abroad is that I have a strange and extensive knowledge of fish. This is because I took a coral reef ecology course, and studied fish and coral. I must say that this is a topic that I would never really pick to study, but it came with the program so I had no choice.

Our "class" involved a three-hour interactive lecture on coral and fish biology and behavior and then a two-hour snorkeling session on some of the most well-preserved reefs in East Africa. The class took place in the Mafia Island Marine Park. In our first snorkeling session we learned how to surface dive to approximately 30 feet, this was essential seeing as the program forbids scuba diving, and the reefs are at least 15 feet down at high tide. For the rest of the week, the other seven girls (plus or minus a few who had malaria) and I snorkeled our brains out. We learned how to identify fish, find fish cleaning stations (think fish car wash), identify different kinds of swimming methods found in fish and a slew of other amazing things that fish do.

After every dive we were all amazed by the color and complexity of the reef system. Through discussion with locals, we also learned its importance for human subsistence. Everything we learned from snorkeling was used to better understand how people and the marine park could better interact in a non-destructive way. This was all because our program was focused on ecology, and when you think of ecology you have to consider the people who live in the ecosystem as well as all the plants and animals.

We conducted interviews with local fishermen, fisherwomen and old men who liked to reminisce about better fishing days. None of this went flawlessly.

Here is an example to show how clueless we were: While talking to the older men and questioning them about fishing methods, we practiced some new Swahili words that we had picked up for fishing line, fishing boat, spear fishing, etc. Unfortunately, we found out afterwards that instead of saying fishing line (mshipa), we were saying "mshipe," which means testicles. Yes, that's right while talking to important older men of the local village, we asked them if they used to fish with their testicles. We were not as slick as we thought.

Luckily, I think the men just laughed it off as one of the silly mistakes the peculiar white girls made. By the time we left the marine park we really had a good understanding of how ecology, people and the government interact in Tanzania (and many other Third World nations) to try and preserve and live off marine ecosystems.

Malaria Drug Resistance

The last month and a half of my stay in Zanzibar, I worked on my independent study project. My topic was local understanding of malaria and malaria drug resistance. This is an especially important issue since malaria is endemic to Zanzibar and is a major health and economic issue. Without knowledge, prevention and treatment of malaria is difficult.

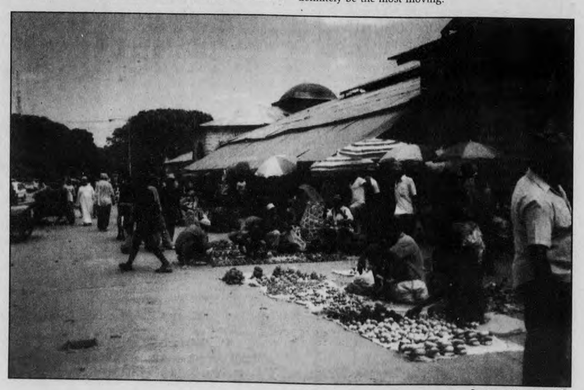
My study aimed to find out what mothers of children under 5 knew about malaria and malaria drug resistance. I chose to question mothers of children under 5 because those children are the most at risk for getting malaria, and do so many times a year. They are also the majority of the patients at the clinics in Zanzibar.

In order to do my study, I had to get permission from the ministry of health to conduct my survey. This turned out to be one of the most difficult and frustrating jobs of my life. Not only did I get the runaround from almost everyone in the department of health, but my project was delayed two and a half weeks, giving me seven days to conduct my study and about four days to write my 30-page paper.

After two weeks of waiting around offices (and getting more mosquito bites than I care to remember), I finally tracked down Mrs. Mwanapenda, who gave me a letter of permission to visit all of the clinics I wanted. My study was then underway, and I traveled around on the back of my translator's scooter to seven different clinics all around Zanzibar. It was then that I realized I didn't even need the letter to do my survey; just having my translator (who was an employee of the malaria prevention department) was enough to get me into any clinic.

I conducted my surveys inside very crowded clinics and hospitals with screaming and vomiting babies. The experience of being in the clinics has really changed how I view medicine. The clinics were cement buildings with practically no medical equipment except for needles, chloroquine (a malaria drug that is ineffective for 60 percent of the population) and a sterilization pot. The nurses who staffed the clinics worked hard and truly did their best to help their patients. On my visits I saw one boy die, a 12-year-old girl carry her 5-year-old sister outside to vomit, a 4-year-old girl get an IV of quinine (another, more effective, malaria drug) and a slew of screaming crying children, as well as a bunch of calm, bleary-eyed, tired children.

Every mother I talked to was doing her absolute best to care for her children, and they surprised me with their sometimes extensive knowledge of malaria and malaria drug resistance. The experience of relating to these mothers and understanding what they needed from the department of health really moved me; because of it, I have changed my career goals. In the future, I hope to become an international public health specialist. As for now, I just want to share my experience with anyone who is willing to listen. Encourage everyone to go abroad some time in their life and visit a Third World country: It might not be the most relaxing vacation you will ever have, but it will definitely be the most moving.



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The local market where Conenello was first dropped off in Zanzibar. Conenello had to shop with a list in Swahili, a language which she could not speak or read, and navigate the unfamiliar market in four hours.

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Trustees to vote on faculty merit system

By Michelle Dombeck
Arts and Entertainment Editor

The trustees will vote on the faculty's proposal for merit salary determinations next week. Although this proposed system is nearly identical to the old merit system, it includes a different rating scale and the addition of an annual teaching review.

Assistant Professor of Chemistry Alison Draper is a member of the task force that has examined this issue. According to Draper, tenured faculty were formerly reviewed triennially.

"The merit system in place from 1998-2001 reviewed all tenured faculty every three years in the areas of teaching, scholarship and service on a scale from 0-4. That sum was used to determine how much merit pay a faculty member got," Draper said.

This old scale was quota-based.

"There were quotas applied to each of the scores in teaching, scholarship and service. Two was said to be the common score, 1 and 3 were uncommon and 0 and 4 were rare. Faculty had to be compared to one another in order to decide which category to put them in," Draper said.

Some faculty members were unhappy with this quota-based scale.

"A score of 2 out of 4, even though it was determined to be the common score, may indicate to some faculty members that they have failed. There was some psychological impact that hadn't been anticipated," Draper said.

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—Stephen Bowen, *provost and vice president for academic affairs*

The new proposal would have faculty evaluated on a non quota-based scale of 1-5. Without the quota, faculty members would focus less on competition and more on their individual work.

"In this proposal, faculty would not be compared to each other. Instead, their work would be compared to objective standards of accomplishment," said Stephen Bowen, provost and vice-president for academic affairs. "This approach is much less competitive and much more focused on recognizing and rewarding the very high quality of work that is done by the faculty of Bucknell."

According to Michael Payne, professor of English and chair of the faculty, this new system would, like the old one, examine teaching scholarship and service triennially.

"The three-year cycle is intended to recognize and affirm long-term projects, such as the perfecting of a new course or the completion of a book-length manuscript," Payne said.

One change to the old system is the addition of an annual teaching evaluation, which is not tied to salary.

"Each year every faculty member will submit to the department chair the record of teaching evaluations for the year immediately past," Payne said. "The purpose of these annual submissions is to enable the chair to advise colleagues who are having difficulty with a particular course of the availability of developmental support (such as course-development grants or summer teaching institutes) or other forms of assistance. This annual part of the process, in other words, is intended to emphasize development rather than evaluation."

Although this annual review could catch potential problems more quickly than the old system's triennial review would, Draper feels that there are few problems that go unnoticed.

"We, the members of the task force (which included the two deans and the provost) suspect that there are very few cases that we will

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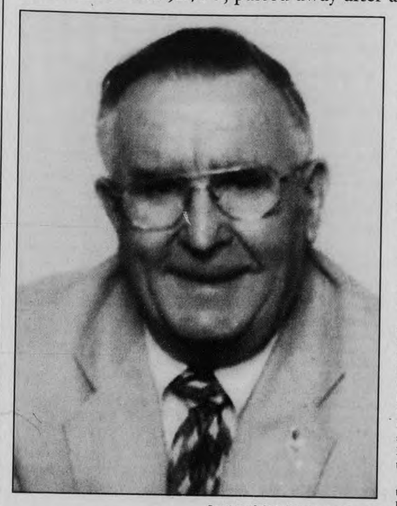
Longtime mayor Hendricks dies

Lewis Hendricks Jr., 75, passed away after acting as Lewisburg mayor for over 30 years



Courtesy of The Milton Standard Journal

Lewis Hendricks Jr. will be remembered fondly by residents of Lewisburg for always having a big smile on his face and for serving the town as mayor for over 30 years. He died last Thursday at Evangelical Community Hospital after falling ill at his home.

By Rachel Laskow
Editor-in-Chief

Lewis Hendricks Jr. passed away on Nov. 7, after serving as mayor of Lewisburg for over 30 years. According to *The Daily Item*, Hendricks, 75, fell ill at his home and died at Evangelical Community Hospital.

Borough Council President John Baker met Hendricks in the 1960s, when Hendricks was Borough Council president and Baker was mayor. Hendricks became mayor after Baker.

According to Baker, Hendricks was very effective and well-liked.

"He always had a big smile on his face and was always willing to help," Baker said.

One venue in which Hendricks devoted a lot of time was the police department. Police Chief William Neitz Jr. met Hendricks in 1973, and Hendricks was on the hiring board when Neitz began working with the police department. In 1999, when Neitz took over as head of the department, Hendricks became his direct supervisor. According to Neitz, Hendricks helped to improve the technology of the police department.

"He was the biggest advocate of the police department and he was our best friend. He was upbeat on every thing he did," Neitz said.

University General Council Wayne Bromfield also saw Hendricks' contributions to the police department. While Bromfield was judge, Hendricks was mayor and in charge of the Lewisburg Police Department.

"In that capacity, he demanded and supported a proud, honest and thoroughly professional department. To achieve that, he encouraged training, technology and modernization of the force. I am sure his leadership will be missed by all those who worked with him," Bromfield said.

Borough Manager David Clouser also worked closely with Hendricks while developing the Purple Heart Monument, creating Sept. 11 remembrances and planning other community events. Clouser worked closely with Hendricks at Borough Council meetings and will remember Hendricks gentle and warm spirit.

"He was always eager to communicate with everyone on a friendly note," Clouser said.

According to Peter Bergonia, University utilities supervisor and Ward 3 Representative of the Borough Council, Hendricks always had Lewisburg as his main goal and helped out whenever he could. Bergonia also believes Hendricks looked to improve the relationship between the University and the town.

"He was looking at communication to be better between the town and students. Students are here and we have to work with them," Bergonia said.

Before last year's election, Hendricks told *The Bucknellian* that

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Lewisburg residents protest proposed supermarket

Suspected GIANT food market provokes safety and light pollution concerns

By Sandi-Jo Galati
News Editor

Concerned Lewisburg residents recently formed the Rural Route Neighbors, a steering committee established to express community safety concerns over the reported development of a 54,500 square foot commercial food retailer, suspected to be a GIANT food store, and two other unspecified commercial buildings by the RVG Management and Development Company.

According to steering committee member Violet Gallagher, RVG Management and Development Company submitted a sketch plan to East Buffalo Township, but this plan was withdrawn once townspeople were informed of the plan and began protesting.

"We first learned about the plan from the *Lewisburg Journal* and also from a realtor, who was telling clients that a GIANT was coming to the area," Gallagher said.

The sketch plan was initially submitted as a Conditional Use Plan, a requirement when more than one building is proposed, to the East Buffalo Township zoning officer, who reviewed the plan and submitted it to the township planning commission. The planning commission then makes a recommendation to the township supervisor and a hearing is held.

The planning commission recommended that the township supervisor accept the plan, but the plan was withdrawn before a public hearing could be held once the townspeople learned of the proposal.

Residents were immediately concerned with the safety issues surrounding the construction of the store, particularly the increase in traffic volume.

"Currently, the University's main concern is the adverse impact of lighting on the observatory. We will be interested in seeing the results of any environmental impact studies that are conducted."
—Jo-Anne Lema, *vice president for finance and administration*

The sketch plan submitted by RVG Management and Development Company also anticipated an increase in traffic volume, including a proposal for the addition of a traffic light on Route 15 by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDot).

One year ago, the proposed building site, at the junction of Route 15 and Beagle Club Road, was partially zoned as residential and highway/commercial land.

The developer has since submitted the application for highway/commercial use, the only document currently under review.

In a letter to the East Buffalo Township supervisors, PennDot District Engineer James L.A. Kendter said, "there are numerous engineering, traffic operation and safety concerns that need to be considered

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University's position remains strong in *U.S. News*

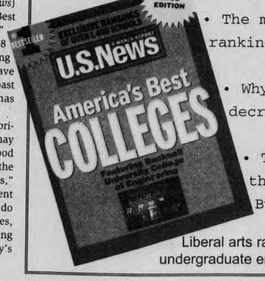
Despite slight drop in *U.S. News & World Report* rankings, University still at top

By Jason Rubinstein
Associate Editor

The University's position fell slightly in the rankings published by *U.S. News & World Report* (*U.S. News*) in September. The ranking for "Best Liberal Arts Colleges—Bachelor's" fell from 28 to 29, and from 4 to 8 for "Best Undergraduate Engineering Programs." While the rankings have somewhat fluctuated over the past few years, the University has remained fairly stable in its rating.

The University identified two primary areas as to why the ranking may have decreased, despite "all the good things that have happened to the University over the last ten years," according to University President Steffen Rogers. The first had to do with a clerical error in SAT averages, and the second are low annual giving figures relative to the University's peer institutions.

The story behind Bucknell's ranking among best colleges



- The meaning of the rankings
- Why the rankings decreased
- The future of the rankings at Bucknell

Liberal arts ranked at 29 and undergraduate engineering at 8.

The meaning of the rankings

Richard Folkers, director of media relations for *U.S. News*, said that while the rankings are an important tool for prospective college students, they are not the only tool.

"It's important to note that you'll not hear U.S. News talking about schools that are up or down in a given year. Because we believe there is no such thing as a perfect methodology, we have—and will continue to—make adjustments to our methodology," Folkers said. "Consequently, we don't make year-to-year comparisons, simply because doing so would be meaningless."

Kurt Thiede, University vice president for enrollment management, has a similar reaction to Folkers.

"Because the staff at U.S. News regularly changes the methodology by which schools are measured and ranked, the longitudinal analysis of these rankings can lose meaning," Thiede said. "The schools within Bucknell's classification are all striving on a continual basis to enhance their market positions. These 'moving targets' and the changing methodology make it difficult to make strong data-based comparisons."

There are also some fundamental differences between the liberal arts and engineering rankings. The liberal arts rankings are quantitative (that is, the ranking is determined from a formula using several numerical inputs) and the engineering rankings are based on an opinion poll compiled by academic administrators.

Dean of Engineering James Orbison '75 feels that the College of Engineering's rankings are solid, and the accuracy of the rankings are not guaranteed because they are based on an opinion poll. Two of the college's primary competitor institutions, Lafayette and Villanova, are ranked at 16 and 10, respectively.

"It's fair to say that our ranking has remained very stable over the past several years. We trail, in these rankings, four schools with financial scholarship programs well beyond anything we're able to offer [the three

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Greening Task Force revived to address ecological concerns

Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian

The science quad opened this fall with the completion of the O'Leary Psychology and Geology Center. The University Greening Task Force was established in the early 1990s by former University President Gary Sojka to address environmental issues, such as increasing campus green space.

By Jaclyn Carr
Staff Writer

Beyond the aesthetic surface of the University's lush grass quads and brick buildings lay many concerns about the environmental welfare of the campus. For this reason, the Bucknell University Greening Task Force, a committee that aims to establish an environmentally safe campus, has been recently renewed by University President Steffen Rogers.

In the early 1990s, Professor of Biology and former University President Gary Sojka began answering environmental concerns on campus with the for-

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News

Public Safety Log

Wednesday, Nov. 6

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—Public Safety responded to Vedder Hall for the report of an intoxicated male attempting to gain entry to the building. Upon arrival, Public Safety located the individual and determined he was a student and had consumed alcohol, although under the age of 21. A citation was issued for underage consumption.

MISSING PROPERTY—An employee reported to Public Safety that food and personal items were missing from the custodial break room in Freas Hall. No witnesses or suspects were located. The incident is under investigation.

INFORMATION / EQUIPMENT MALFUNCTION—Public Safety responded to Dana Engineering for a fire alarm activation caused by a piece of equipment that overheated. No damage to the structure occurred. Physical Plant responded to repair the equipment.

VEHICLE STOP / POSSESSION OF FALSE IDENTIFICATION—Public Safety stopped a vehicle on Fraternity Road for failure to stop at a stop sign. Upon investigation, Public Safety identified the driver as a student who had a false identification in his possession. Citations were issued for failure to stop at a stop sign and false identification. The false ID was confiscated.

Thursday, Nov. 7

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—Public Safety responded to a fire alarm activation at Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity and discovered that unknown person(s) activated a pull station for no reason. The incident is under investigation.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—Public Safety responded to Smith Hall for the report of a student with a possible broken wrist. A Student Health Services driver responded and transported the individual to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment. The student later returned to campus.

Friday, Nov. 8

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—Public Safety responded to Roberts Hall for a fire alarm activation. Upon arrival, Public Safety determined that a fire alarm pull station had been activated by unknown person(s) for no reason. The incident is under investigation.

Saturday, Nov. 9

HARASSMENT BY COMMUNICATION—A student reported to Public Safety that she received an e-mail that may violate the University Acceptable Use Policy in her Swartz Hall room. The incident is under investigation.

INFORMATION / FIGHT—Public Safety responded to the Upper Stadium parking lot for the report of a fight in progress. Upon investigation, Public Safety determined the altercation involved a group of alumni that threw a can of beer on a visitor's car. All parties involved agreed to leave the area without further incident.

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—Public Safety responded to Kappa Delta Rho Fraternity for a fire alarm activation. Upon arrival, Public Safety determined that a fire extinguisher had been discharged by unknown person(s) for no reason. The incident is under investigation.

INFORMATION / POSSIBLE INTRUDER—Public Safety responded to Kress Hall for the report of an individual climbing into a window. The individual was identified as a visitor with personal belongings in an employee's room. A warning was issued reference entering a University room through a window.

CARRYING FALSE IDENTIFICATION—Public Safety conducted a party check at the Chi Phi Fraternity House and were provided with a false Maine driver's license by a visitor. East Buffalo Township Police were contacted and issued the visitor a citation for a false ID.

PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS / UNDERAGE DRINKING / MEDICAL TRANSPORT—Public Safety responded to Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity for the report of an ill person. Upon arrival, Public Safety found a highly intoxicated visitor in need of medical attention. The individual was transported to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment. East Buffalo Township Police cited the individual for public drunkenness and underage drinking.

Sunday, Nov. 10

ASSIST POLICE / PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS—While on routine patrol, Public Safety observed an intoxicated alumnus lying on the road at the Seventh Street House. Lewisburg Police responded and the male was transported to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment. A citation was issued for public drunkenness.

PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS / UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—While on routine patrol, Public Safety observed a student with a can of beer, who urinated on a tree and fell against the tree. While Public Safety transported the student to his Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity room, the male spoke to the Public Safety using obscene language. Citations were issued for public urination, public intoxication, underage consumption, open container violation and obscene language.

UNDERAGE DRINKING—During a routine party check, Public Safety observed a student consuming alcohol at Sigma Chi Fraternity. Upon investigation, it was determined that the individual was under the age of 21. A citation was issued for underage drinking.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed $250 in cash from her wallet in her unlocked, empty Vedder Hall room. Lewisburg Police were contacted. The incident is under investigation.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student requested transportation to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment of an eye injury. A Student Health Services driver responded and transported the individual, who later returned to campus.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—An employee reported to Public Safety that a student was transported by a friend to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment from a fall, in which she struck her head. The individual later returned to campus.

Monday, Nov. 11

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—An employee reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) poured beer and placed toilet paper and beer cans on the floor of a Library restroom. The incident is under investigation.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) entered his unsecured room at Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity and removed his hockey jersey. East Buffalo Township Police were notified. The incident is under investigation.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—An employee reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) smashed the sign light located at the front of Newman House. The incident is under investigation.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student requested transportation to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment of flu-like symptoms. The student had been treated the previous day for the same symptoms and her condition had not changed. A Student Heath Services driver responded and transported the student, who later returned to campus.

Tuesday, Nov. 12

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student contacted Public Safety and requested transportation to Student Health Services for a hand injury that occurred at the Art Barn. Public Safety transported the student and she later returned to the Art Barn.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed two silver rings from an empty private carrel in the library. East Buffalo Township Police were notified. The incident is under investigation.

Hendricks

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he would encourage residents, business and University and Borough officials to have quarterly meetings to discuss problems and issues for the betterment of all concerned.

"Meetings with Bucknell Student Council members, the chief of police and the mayor would be exceptionally productive for all parties concerned," Hendricks said.

In last year's election, Hendricks defeated Democrat Mike Molesevich and Nathan Sorber '02.

"It was the most exciting race in my 30 years as a public official. It was the best one I've ever had. It was a good win," Hendricks told *The Bucknellian* after last year's election.

Baker, who knew Hendricks for about 32 years, is currently acting as mayor and Borough Council president until the Council fills the vacancy. According to Baker, elected candidates for mayor will possibly be presented to the Council at its Nov. 19 meeting and the council members will then vote on the new mayor.

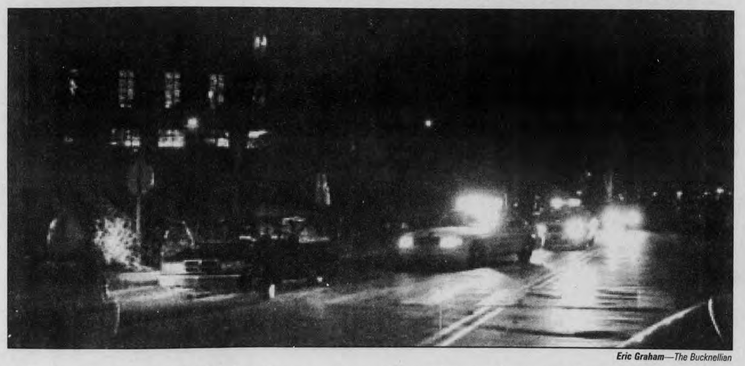
Hendricks served on the Lewisburg Borough Council from 1970-77, acting as president from 1972-76. He was mayor of Lewisburg from 1978-1993 and from 1996 until his death last week. Hendricks was also a Council member from 1996-97.

Hendricks also worked as a Wal-Mart greeter and worked at Pennsylvania Power and Light until his retirement in 1990.

According to many of his co-workers, Hendricks's energy and dedication will be missed.

"As a mayor and citizen, he personified his vision of the spirit of Lewisburg—welcoming, helpful, good-humored and dedicated to the betterment of the borough," Bromfield said.

Police arrest two in robbery case



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Two men were arrested Wednesday evening on Moore Avenue in connection with an armed-robbery that occurred at Bison Beverage earlier that night. Though the men were taken into custody by police on University property, they are not suspected to be University students.

Risk of meningitis increases on college campuses nationwide

Law requires that Pa. college students be given choice to receive vaccination

By Chris Styers
Senior Writer

All Pennsylvania colleges and universities are now required to "provide to students and parents detailed information on the risks associated with meningococcal disease and the availability and the effectiveness of any vaccine ... prior to the student residing in a college owned dormitory or housing unit." These institutions must also provide a wavier to students, verifying which students have received a vaccination, which students intend to do so and which ones have made an educated decision not to be vaccinated.

Shortly after the law was passed, Bucknell sent out information packets to incoming first-year students, as well as upperclassmen. The packets included a copy of the state's requirements, information on the meningitis disease and information on how to receive a meningitis vaccine.

According to WNEP-TV, a fifth grader attending Valley View Intermediate School in Lackawanna County, Pa., died last weekend from a rare form of meningitis.

Absenteeism increased five-fold on Tuesday in the Valley View School District, as parents of the almost 700 students were concerned enough about the risk their children had of contracting meningitis to keep them home.

The concern displayed by parents is the same concern facing many first-year college students and their families. For the first time, many students enter an environment with potentially elevated risks for contracting meningitis.

Many state legislatures have been responding to the increase in meningitis concerns. Over the summer, the Pennsylvania state legislature took steps to disseminate information on the dangers of meningitis and promote the meningitis vaccine. First-year college students in particular were targeted, in accordance with recommendations made by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the American College Health Association (ACHA).

"I feel that raising student awareness about diseases is good, though these notices should not be limited to just meningitis. It is important that the University allow the student to make the decision to be vaccinated for any disease. I think that informing students and allowing them to decide is the key to developing informed, responsible citizens who understand personal freedom," Steve Connor '04 said.

There has been such a surge for the meningitis vaccine that some pharmacies are hard-pressed to meet the demand.

During the fall semester, Student Health Services has encouraged receiving the immunization, which is good for four years, and set up four weeks in which students could get the immunization for $85.

Assistant Director for Student Health Services Nancy Shuck said that the majority of student have had, or want to have, the immunization. She also said graduate students have not expressed as much interest in the vaccination because most of them no longer live on campus, therefore lowering their risk of contracting the disease.

According to the CDC's Web site, meningitis can be caused by either a virus or a bacterium, an important difference in determining the type of illness and the appropriate treatment. Viral meningitis is often less severe, while bacterial meningitis poses a number of risks, including death. Neisseria meningitidis is the main cause of bacterial meningitis in children and young adults in the United States. This form of meningitis causes inflammation of the meninges, the membranous layers surrounding the brain and spinal cord.

According to the ACHA, about 3,000 Americans contract the meningococcal disease annually, and about 10-15 percent of the cases are fatal. Of the 3,000 Americans that contract the disease, approximately 100-125 of these cases are found on college campuses, with 5-15 of those cases proving fatal. For those that survive, the disease has a number of adverse effects, such as permanent brain damage, hearing loss, learning disabilities, limb amputation, kidney failure or death.

Meningitis Facts

—First-year college students living in dormitories run a risk six times as great as other college students to contract the disease

—Meningitis can be viral (generally less severe) or bacterial (sometimes fatal)

—Meningitis is airborne and can be spread through coughing or sneezing, or through close contact with an infected person

Symptoms

—High fever, headaches, neck stiffing, confusion, nausea, vomiting, lethargy and rashes

The people at the highest risk are those with upper respiratory infections, those with compromised immune systems and people traveling to parts of the world where meningitis is a major problem. College students are also at a higher risk, especially those living on campus in dormitories. Further research made by the CDC suggests that first-year students in dormitories have six times the chance of contracting the disease than other college students.

According to ABC News, what puts students in dormitories at a greater risk is not completely known. Some reports suggest that the crowded living arrangements, stress and indulging in behavior such as smoking and drinking increase risks of contracting the virus. The most recent CDC study suggests that first-year student risk factors are higher because students are exposed to the disease more often.

The bacteria responsible for meningitis are transmitted through the air by respiratory secretions (coughing or kissing, for example) or through prolonged contact with an infected person. According to the CDC, meningitis is not as contagious as the common cold or the flu. Anybody who comes in close contact with an infected person is encouraged to be examined and treated with antibiotics to prevent the spread of the disease.

Sometimes meningitis can be difficult to diagnose because its symptoms closely resemble symptoms of the flu. Symptoms can include high fever, headaches, neck stiffing, confusion, nausea, vomiting, lethargy and rashes. A physician should be immediately contacted at the onset of these symptoms, because the disease can work rapidly and result in death within hours.

A meningitis vaccine is readily available and has been proven to vastly improve chances of avoiding infection. Over the last several years, educating the public about the problems associated with meningitis and publicizing the availability of a vaccine has been a national prerogative.

News

World Briefs

Compiled by Andrew Burr
Courtesy of MSNBC.com

FCC approves AT&T-Comcast merger

WASHINGTON—The $29.2 billion merger of Comcast and AT&T Broadband was approved by federal regulators Wednesday, clearing the way for creation of the nation's largest cable television company.

U.S. bishops give OK to revised sex-abuse policy

WASHINGTON—Rejecting criticism that the proposal was watered down by the Vatican, U.S. Roman Catholic bishops on Wednesday endorsed a revised sex-abuse policy that aims to rid the clergy of molesters. The bishops voted 246-7 with six abstentions to approve the new plan, which stipulates that priests should be removed from public ministry—celebrating Mass, teaching in Catholic schools, wearing a Roman collar—after "even one act of sexual abuse of a minor."

Iraq accepts U.S. weapons resolution

UNITED NATIONS— Iraq, facing a Friday deadline and the threat of war, accepted a tough new U.N. resolution that will return weapons inspectors to the country after nearly four years, the country's U.N. ambassador said Wednesday. Baghdad's approval of the resolution means inspectors should be on the ground in Iraq within a matter of days, although testing Saddam Hussein's compliance could take months.

Experts believe bin Laden tape is authentic

U.S. intelligence officials have determined that the voice on an audiotape broadcast on an Arabic television network is that of Osama bin Laden. The disclosure, during the runup to a possible U.S. military campaign in Iraq, highlighted one of the most significant loose ends from Afghanistan, the first stop in the war on terrorism and the last known location of bin Laden. On Wednesday, President George W. Bush bristled when asked if the leader of al-Qaida should have been captured sooner. "We're making great progress on the war on terrorism," he said. "Slowly but surely, we're dismantling the terrorist network."

Democrats choose Boston as next convention city

WASHINGTON—A political center since Colonial times, Boston won its first presidential convention Wednesday after rigorous lobbying by state Democrats and the promise of millions in corporate cash.

American businesses flock to China

SHANGHAI, China— For the first time ever, China has surpassed the United States as the most attractive destination for foreign direct investment. Those investments are expected to top $50 billion by the end of the year. U.S. firms alone invested $35 billion in the middle kingdom last year. These days you'll find many American corporations represented in China. But while U.S. companies have been eager to capitalize on China's economic growth, some have been more successful than others.

Palace probe being called a coverup

LONDON—British royalty was accused of orchestrating a coverup Wednesday as critics scorned a new inquiry into claims of rape, fraud and impropriety by palace staff as a whitewash. Royal secretary Sir Michael Peat is to head the internal investigation into alleged irregularities by Prince Charles's retinue in the worst scandal to hit the House of Windsor since the family's marriage bust-ups in the 1990s.

West Nile virus found in Florida alligators

MIAMI—Epidemiologists found the West Nile virus in three farm-raised Florida alligators, marking the first time the potentially deadly virus has been found in a U.S. reptile species, health officials said on Wednesday.

U.S. to protect Florida reefs from ships

WASHINGTON—Marking the first such protection in U.S. waters, the Bush administration on Wednesday created an internationally recognized protective zone around 2,600 square miles of coral reefs, sea grass meadows and mangrove forests off the Florida Keys. The zone aims to shield the area from large ships, which can do considerable damage via collisions, groundings and even the simple act of anchoring.

Oil slumps after Iraq agreement

LONDON—Oil prices slumped to eight-month lows on Wednesday after Iraq accepted a United Nations resolution on disarmament, easing fears of an imminent assault by the United States against the oil exporting country.

Greenspan: Economy has hit a "soft spot"

Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan said Wednesday he expects the economy to emerge from its current "soft spot" without further stimulus, but he cautioned that business prospects remain depressed by war worries and falling stock prices.

Holocaust survivor speaks about forgiveness

Kor addresses campus about experiences at Auschwitz, lessons she learned

By Elisabeth Salemme
Staff Writer

Holocaust survivor Eva Mozes Kor spoke to the University community last Wednesday about her experiences in the Auschwitz death camp. Kor and her twin sister, Miriam Mozes Zeiger, were deported to Auschwitz when they were 9 years old, and Dr. Joseph Mengele, a Nazi doctor, experimented on them.

"In 1944, my sister and I became human guinea pigs," Kor said. "I am going to tell you about my journey from tragedy to triumph, from hell to healing."

In 1944, Kor and her family were living in Transylvania before the family was taken by the Nazis to different concentration camps. Eva and her sister were immediately separated from their family and taken to Auschwitz because they were twins. During the Holocaust, twins were experimented on for scientific and medical purposes. The Kor twins joined a group with eight other sets of twins.

"We were only kept alive because Dr. Mengele wanted to use us as experiments," Kor said. "I did whatever was in my power to ensure Miriam and I didn't die ... I focused all my power on survival, but it took up every ounce of energy to survive one more day and one more experiment. In this situation we were totally at the mercy of the Nazi doctors."

At one point during her imprisonment in Auschwitz, Kor became ill after an experiment and was sent to a hospital. According to Kor, if patients in the hospital did not recover within two weeks, they would be killed.

"I refused to die," she said. "I made a silent pledge that I would survive. I was not given food, water or medication. I kept telling myself, 'I must survive.'"

Kor describes most of the experiments performed on her and her twin as "not very dangerous, but they were unbelievably demeaning. The experiments made me feel like a piece of meat."

According to Kor, one type of experiment that did pose a threat was a blood lab, when blood was taken out of the twins' bodies and they were injected with germs and chemicals.

Despite the horrors Kor endured, she said she learned three important life lessons.

"The first lesson I learned is to never, ever give up. No matter how difficult your circumstances are, they could never be as difficult as ours. I know growing up is very difficult, but if you keep hammering away at your problems, you will triumph," Kor said.

The second lesson Kor said she learned is to treat all human beings with respect and to judge humans only by their actions and by the content of their characters.

"Hatred and prejudice were the reasons the Holocaust was possible," Kor said.

Finally, Kor has forgiven the Nazis for what they had done. Justice, Kor said, is never possible, and forgiveness is the only realistic form of healing.

"I now realize that I have the power to forgive, and no one can take that away from me," Kor said.

> *"I now realize that I have the power to forgive, and no one can take that away from me. I say to everyone, forgive your worst enemies. You will save yourself."*
> *—Eva Mozes Kor*

"I say to everyone, forgive your worst enemies. You will save yourself. My latest thoughts on how to heal pain from the past is to try and keep the world at peace. Facilitating people to forgive their enemies is an act of self-healing. I hope in some small way you find a message of forgiveness, peace, hope and healing."

Her message of forgiveness was one of the deciding factors in inviting Kor to the University.

"Hillel decided to invite Kor first because she is a Holocaust survivor with an unusual story—that of being part of the twins experiments by Joseph Mengele, and secondly because she has an unusual message for survivor forgiveness," Rabbi Serena Fujita said.

"Her story was important so that we do not forget the terrible things that were done to the Jewish people as well as to other marginalized people in the Third Reich. I think what was even more interesting to our students was her second part—the part about forgiveness. She recounted how she came to forgive her tormentors—a long and difficult process and something she came to after many years."

Kor said many of the other twins who have been located, and with whom she has spoken, are angry at her for her decision to forgive the Nazis. Kor said it is difficult for any of the Holocaust survivors to forgive, but she believes they will benefit from trying to do so.

"This is not an easy message for many to hear, since it is so very different from what most of the survivors feel. Even someone as well-known and well-published as Elie Wiesel in his writings and speaking engagements, says he cannot forgive the Nazis for what they did to him, his family and the Jewish people. She shared that her message is not one that is welcomed among other survivors," Fujita said.

The primary reason Kor chose to begin a process of forgiving is because she met a Nazi doctor who expressed extreme remorse for what happened.

"I respect that Ms. Kor can look at her tormentors and forgive them. I do not think she would have been able to do this without the kindness of the particular doctor whom she contacted who was very tortured by what he had done during the war. Had she encountered a doctor who was not troubled by what he had done, I think her story would be quite different," Fujita said.

Kor said her decision to forgive was in part a way of coping with some of her pain.

"Now I don't feel as a victim—I feel as an equal. I am a lot stronger. People who are seeking revenge are the ones with anger and hatred. If you do or don't do something, you still have pain. The ultimate question is: How do you get rid of that pain?"

Kor founded the group "C.A.N.D.L.E.S.," which stands for "Children of Auschwitz Nazi Lab Experiment Survivors," in 1984. Kor and her sister, who is now deceased, attempted to find and reunite the twins of Auschwitz. It was from that hope that C.A.N.D.L.E.S. was formed and through the organization, 125 of the Mengele twin survivors were reunited in Israel.

Also through C.A.N.D.L.E.S., a museum was set up in Terre Haute, Ind., with the purpose of telling the story of the Holocaust and the stories of Auschwitz and the Mengele twins. The C.A.N.D.L.E.S. museum is supported through donations and through the sale of Kor's biography, "Echoes from Auschwitz," and her children's book, "Little Eva and Miriam in the First Grade."

Kor's speech at the University will be part of a PBS documentary about herself and the other Mengele twins.

"They have already filmed Kor at Auschwitz, where she told her story among the buildings that were her prison for the time she was there. There is also footage of the German government apologizing to the victims of the twins' experiments," Fujita said. "There are also testimonies from other surviving twins about how they have been shocked at Eva's document of forgiveness. It should be quite an amazing story."

Greening

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mation of the Bucknell University Greening Task Force. The committee was established to serve as a clearinghouse for ecological issues on the campus to make recommendations to the president for the short-term and long-term changes regarding the environment.

After relatively easy initial changes were made, the committee was faced with more difficult challenges, and in the past five years little progress has been made.

The task force, renewed by the support of Rogers and several faculty, staff and students, has recently been coming together to initiate plans to make the University a "greener" campus.

"When I first arrived, we had a false start," Rogers said. "But now I see that 10 years from now this could become a very comprehensive program."

The committee already has made some important adjustments to the campus that save money and have ecological benefits. They provided input and perspective for the University's $5 million cogeneration plant, a power plant that circulates the heat made as a byproduct of the production of electricity back into the University's heating system instead of dissipating it back into the atmosphere.

Under the committee, the campus also has purchased wind power and hybrid gas-electric cars, reduced the amount of chemicals in the pesticides the campus uses, increased green space around the campus and started the recycling program.

The task force still has many goals it wishes to see fulfilled, such as a marked increase in recycling, more walkways and less roads on campus, a reduction of paper use at lab printers, more ecologically aware buildings and less overall electricity used.

"All these actions will economically and environmentally benefit the University," said Ben Marsh, professor of geography and environmental studies and member of the greening task force. "And if we could reduce waste to begin with, we wouldn't need to invest the time and money that recycling requires."

In moving forward for the future, the task force is also looking into acquiring a composter for the University to save money on fertilizer and landfill waste expenses.

"I think investing money in short-term projects will pay off more in the long run," Warren Abrahamson, professor of biology and member of the greening task force said.

Most of the work done by the committee has been done largely on a volunteer basis. Unless a more structured approach is organized, the environmental welfare of the campus will not improve.

"The committee needs a formal connection to the institution where someone has the responsibility to answer to the committee's needs," Marsh said. "What we do with our campus says who we are, and treating the Earth correctly makes a statement about the responsibility of our University."

Evaluations

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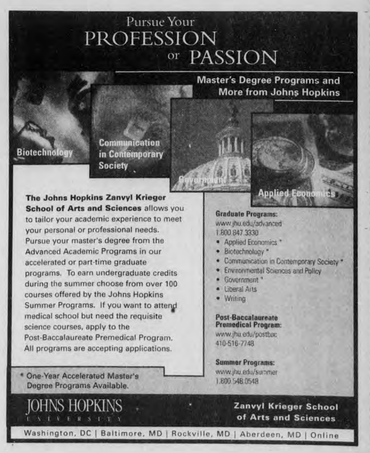
catch through this yearly review of teaching that we didn't already know about," Draper said. "Students are very good about reporting to department chairs and deans, and word gets around. If a faculty member is having a bad semester, generally people know about it. I don't know how much is going unnoticed at this point, but I guess it will take a couple years of the system to find out."

Bowen is fairly confident that the trustees will approve this proposal.

"I'm hopeful that the trustees will approve the proposal. It is very nearly identical to the program we had before, except that the criteria for evaluation are more appropriate to the expectations and aspirations that we have for Bucknell faculty," Bowen said.

Bucknellian Correction

On page A6 of last week's issue in the pic cap entitled "That's the spirit," the costumed employee was misidentified as working in the Admissions Office. The employee is actually Roxanne Armstrong, who works in Administrative Services.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News

University not ranked as high as last year

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service academies and Cooper Union], two technical institutes and a California school (Harvey Mudd)," Orbison said.

Why the rankings decreased

The University claims that there was a clerical error in filling out the survey that contains the inputs for the rankings. *U.S. News* evaluates SAT scores differently based on whether or not international students' scores are included. The University did not check the box that said its scores included international students' scores when completing the survey, which skewed the results so that the University's mean SAT score appeared lower than usual because it actually did include international students' scores. The end result was a 10 percent reduction in one of the "competition" indicators.

"The clerical error was an honest one that cost us a penalty of selectivity," Thiede said. "Follow-up conversations with the magazine's editor confirmed that because of the number of schools at the No. 29 position, it was unlikely that our overall rank among the Top 50 would have improved if this error had not occurred."

The University's selectivity rating was 35, a drop from 26 in the 2001 rankings. Selectivity includes SAT averages and acceptance rate, among other criteria.

While U.S. News Director of Data Research Bob Morse admits that the University would not have improved overall had the error not occurred, he said that it would have improved relative to other schools in the top 50.

"Technically, Bucknell would still have been 29, but the schools that it's tied with would now be 30," Morse said. "Bucknell would then be alone at 29, or possibly improved enough to be tied at 28."

Thiede claims that the "situation has been remedied for the future."

According to Rogers, annual giving is a category that could boost up the University's rankings because it is below what it should be and below its peer schools.

Last year, gifts from alumni, parents and friends totaled $24.6 million, nearly $6.3 million of which was raised through the annual giving program. Annual gifts offset tuition increases and are used for current operations at the University.

"It's very important for our alumni, parents and friends to know that all gifts, at all sizes, are essential to the University," said Ann DiStefano, director of annual giving and parents giving programs. "Last year a little over 38 percent of our alumni made a gift to Bucknell."

DiStefano believes that the University can do better with annual giving, and will need to continue educating alumni of the importance of giving back each year.

Annual giving is one of the only "output," or satisfaction, variables used in the rankings, which makes the assumption that satisfied alumni will donate more.

Washington Monthly has criticized alumni donations as an unreliable measure of satisfaction because it "depends in large part on alumni wealth and how many pesky sophomores man phone banks in exchange for pizza and T-shirts" and less on the true satisfaction of alumni.

The future of the rankings

Senior members of the administration, including Rogers and Thiede, believe that only 20 percent of prospective students actually read the rankings. According to the *Chronicle of Higher Education*, "only 20 percent of students who planned to enroll at four-year colleges looked at any college rankings, and only a small fraction of those considered those rankings in choosing an institution."

"Even the *U.S. News* staff in public presentations have cited research that indicates the magazine's limited impact on college choice," Thiede said.

Although there is no plan to "chase rankings," the administration will continue to do its best to market the University to its full potential.

"I believe that Bucknell must be diligent in reporting its information to U.S. News and make certain that all our marketing communications enhance and strengthen the University's reputation among its various constituencies," Thiede said.

Otherwise, the administration is very confident with the University in general.

"Personally, I'm convinced that our engineering programs provide an engineering education that is as good as the very best in the country," Orbison said. In fact, the College, in its own assessment process, surveys the "end users," or employers, of its graduates, which have yielded encouraging results.

"I do believe the rankings are important, but we don't want to chase them," Rogers said. "However, we have a wonderful story to tell and we need to do a better job of telling it."

"The clerical error was an honest one that cost us a penalty of selectivity."
*—**Kurt Thiede**, vice president for enrollment management*

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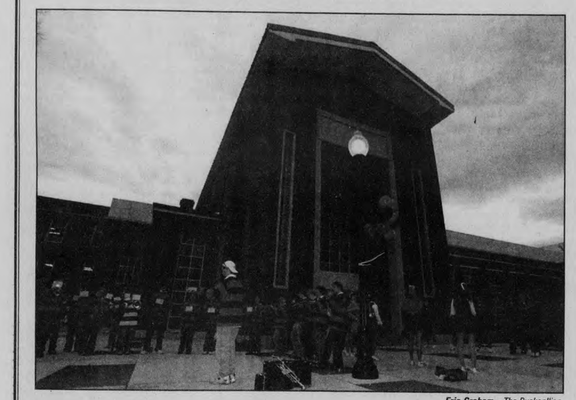

Eric Graham—*The Bucknellian*

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Aside from regularly-scheduled Homecoming activities last weekend, the University celebrated the opening of the new Athletics and Recreation Center (top) and dedicated McDonnel Hall, which opened fall semester of 2000. Visitors were welcome to tour the new athletic facility during an open house. Only portions of the new facility are currently open, but the rest is expected to open in the near future.

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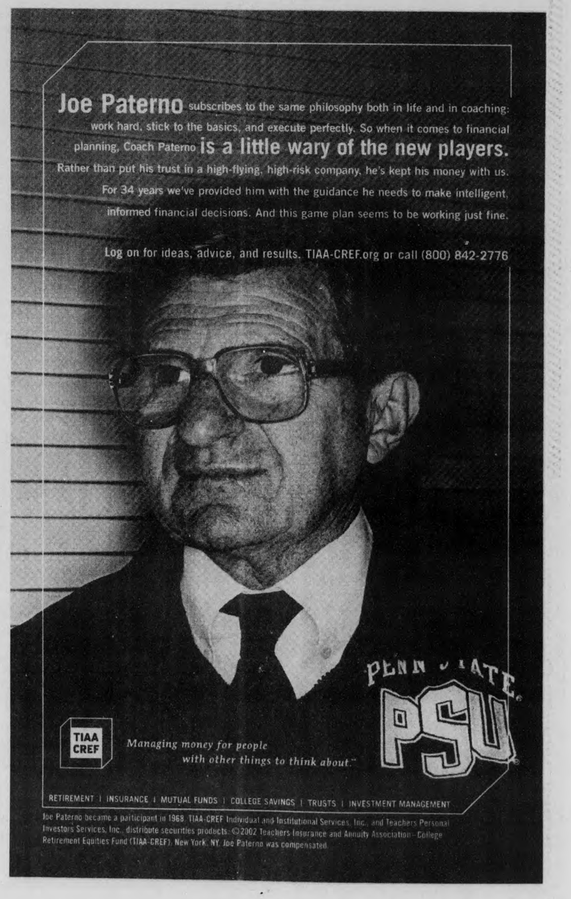
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News

Proposal for new stores draws concern from University and town

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prior to the issuance of a Highway Occupancy Permit for any development at this location."

According to Gallagher, Frank Lewis, the owner of the land, previously assured residents that should a commercial building be constructed on the site there would be no access points to the site from Beagle Club Road.

The sketch plan submitted by RVG Management and Developing Company depicted two entrances to the store from Beagle Club Road.

Residents are concerned that tractor-trailers servicing the store from Beagle Club Road to these entrances will be a hazard to area residents due to the narrow, curvy nature of the road.

Illumination of the 24-hour store is an additional concern, both by residents living in Fox Hollow, a development only 200 feet from the site, and the University.

The proximity of the development to the University is a potential problem due to the light pollution that the store would generate, affecting the observatory.

According to Vice President for Finance and Administration Jo-Anne Lema, the University has not taken an official position on the store, but is concerned about the impact on the observatory.

"Currently, the University's main concern is the adverse impact of lighting on the observatory," Lema said. "We will be interested in seeing the results of any environmental impact studies that are conducted."

The physics department wrote a letter to the East Buffalo Township supervisors expressing concern about the limitations they may result from the store.

"Poorly designed lighting may reduce our ability to observe in the direction of the development (southwest, from the observatory,) and may limit some of the labs we conduct as part of the curricular program in astronomy," Associate Professor of Physics Ned Ladd said.

According to Ladd, the problem could be alleviated with cooperation between the University and the builder in installing special lighting.

"Responsible lighting installations are only marginally more expensive than traditional lighting, and much if not all of the cost of such installations is made up in reduced energy use over subsequent years," Ladd said.

Due to the location of the site at peak of a hill, water runoff is another potential problem. According to Gallagher, residents are concerned that the ground will not be able to support the increased water runoff from the hill due to the amount of land that will be covered with asphalt.

According to Gallagher, residents expect that their initial protest was not enough to deter the project and suspect that the RVG Management and Development Company soon will submit the second plan.

Gallagher anticipates that this plan, unlike the first, will be a Development Plan, which does not require a public hearing for approval.

In preparation, the members of Rural Route Neighbors are waiting for the results of ground-water and traffic-impact studies and organizing a course of action for once the second plan is submitted.

"We are staying alert and doing what we can," Gallagher said. "We would be much more amenable to a project that does not draw as much traffic."

According to East Buffalo Township Supervisor Henry Baylor there has yet to be an application for a GIANT supermarket. Although rumored to be a GIANT, there has been no official confirmation of the retailer, only that it is a grocery store.

"This is a concept," Baylor said. "The developer is only requesting approval to put something on the land."

The Rural Route Neighbors believe differently based on the sketch plan.

"GIANT keeps saying they are not coming in, but our reason for believing that they are is that GIANT is written on the sketch plan," Gallagher said.

Baylor explained that although the supposition is logical that plan is for a GIANT, but he stressed that the plan is in its "infancy" and suggested that the developer was simply using a sketch from a previous plan.

"The only thing I can say is that there was a sign on the plan that could have been anything," Baylor said.

According to Gallagher, both GIANT and RVG have firmly denied that the plan is for a GIANT supermarket.

Public Relations Representative Denny Hopkins admitted that a GIANT food store in Lewisburg has been a topic of research by the administrative office.

"We have been interested in the Lewisburg market or several years," Hopkins said. "There is a gap that we fill between the Shamokin Dam and Selinsgrove store and the store in Williamsport."

Hopkins denied that any final plans had been made for a location or building plan in Lewisburg.

Bucknellian Calendar

Nov. 15 FRI

CDC Jumpstart (Taylor 210) **1-2 p.m.**

Jim Campbell: "A History of Professional Football in Pennsylvania" (O'Leary Building, 201) **3 p.m.**

Hilltop Film Series: "French Can Can" (Vaughan Lit. Auditorium) **4:30 p.m. & 8 p.m.**

Shabbat Service and Dinner (Center for Jewish Life) **5:30 p.m.**

Luiji Fiji (Phi Delta Gamma Fraternity House) **5-8 p.m.**

Susquehanna Valley Mall Shuttle (Downhill LC) **6 p.m.**

Christians in Action (McDonnell Hall) **6-10 p.m.**

Alcohol Workshop (LC 213) **7-11 p.m.**

Comedy: Alexandra McHale (Bison) **9 p.m.**

Pete Francis (Uptown) **9:30 p.m.**

"The Score" (LC Forum) **10:30 p.m.**

Skott Fredman (7th Street Café) **11 p.m.**

Nov. 16 SAT

King of Prussia Mall Trip (Downhill LC) **8 a.m.**

Susquehanna Valley Mall (Downhill LC) **3 p.m. & 6 p.m.**

Anime Society Viewing (LC 301) **4-6 p.m.**

Luiji Fiji (Phi Delta Gamma Fraternity House) **5-8 p.m.**

Catholic Mass (Rooke Chapel) **5:30 p.m.**

Burmese Light Festival (Larison Dining Hall) **6-8 p.m.**

Bucknell Orchestra (Weis Center) **8 p.m.**

"Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood" (Gallery Theatre, LC) **9 p.m.**

Hypnotist CJ Johnson (LC Forum) **9 p.m.**

Open Mic Night (Uptown) **9:30 p.m.**

"Spider-Man" (Vaughan Lit. Auditorium) **10:30 p.m.**

BU After Dark (Fieldhouse) **11 p.m.**

Nov. 17 SUN

Interdenominational Service (Rooke Chapel) **11 a.m.**

Anime Society Viewing (LC 301) **4-6:30 p.m.**

Catholic Mass (Rooke Chapel) **4 p.m.**

BSG Meeting (LC 272) **4:30-7:30 p.m.**

Circle K Meeting (LC 302) **6:30-8:30 p.m.**

Poetry Reading: Sonia Sanchez (Bucknell Hall) **8 p.m.**

Neal Lutz: Saxophone (Weis Center) **2:30 p.m.**

Sunday Night Prayer (Taylor 115) **9-10 p.m.**

Catholic Mass (Larison Dining Hall) **10 p.m.**

Nov. 18 MON

Zen Meditation (Meditation Chapel) **4 p.m.**

CDC Jumpstart (Vaughan 202) **5 p.m.**

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Nov. 19 TUE

Parviz Morewedge: "Love and Mysticism in the Islamic Tradition" (Bucknell Hall) **7:30 p.m.**

Christians in Action (McDonnell Hall) **6:30-7:30 a.m.**

Meet The Judges: Snyder and Union Counties (LC Forum) **7:30 p.m.**

LGBT Film Series: "Torch Song Trilogy" (Gallery Theatre, LC) **8 p.m.**

Bucknell Medieval Caucus Film Series: "Aleksandr Nevsky" (Coleman 221) **8 p.m.**

Nov. 20 WED

Episcopal Service (Meditation Chapel) **12 p.m.**

CDC Jumpstart (Taylor 210) **5 p.m.**

ACE Film: "Insomnia" (Vaughan Lit. Auditorium) **10:30 p.m.**

Nov. 21 THU

Dr. Daniel Katz: "Rediscovering Sacred Music; The Musicology of Judaism" (Bucknell Hall) **5:30 p.m.**

Fourth Sunday Choir (Meditation Chapel) **5:30-7 p.m.**

Harry Wolcott Robins Lecture: John Rickard '75—"The Body in Jane Austen's Last Works" (Smith Library, Vaughan Lit. Auditorium) **7 p.m.**

"the well" (LC 213) **8:30-11 p.m.**

The information on these events is subject to change. Some events are open to members of an organization only.

The sporting event calendar continues to run in the Sports section, this week on page B2.

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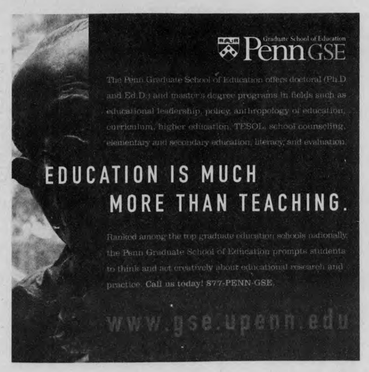
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The Bucknellian Editorial

Commercial development could have negative impact on University

Recent reports of a supermarket, suspected to be a GIANT food store, and two other unspecified commercial buildings by the RVG Management and Development Company has created concern among Lewisburg residents, as well as the University community. Although another grocery store would provide more options, it is not necessary for the development or success of the area.

One of the biggest concerns that residents have is safety. The stores would potentially be built at the junction of Route 15 and Beagle Club Road. The addition of these buildings would be likely to increase the amount of traffic, and therefore the addition of traffic lights.

The safety issue extends to the University. The potential store would not be too far from McDonnell Hall and Swartz Hall. These dorms house primarily first-year students, and because first-year students are not permitted to have cars on campus, they might be tempted to cross Route 15 to go grocery shopping. This could be very dangerous because of the amount of traffic and because cars traveling on Route 15 will not be able to see students due to of the dramatic incline in the road. Also, if the store were open 24 hours, students might attempt to cross Route 15 during the night, when cars would have difficulty seeing pedestrians.

The University has witnessed tragedy in the past because of the dangers of Route 15, resulting in the construction of the underpass leading to Bucknell West. Students who might be traveling to the proposed construction site are not likely to use the tunnel though.

Currently, most residents of Lewisburg and University students use Weis to complete their grocery shopping. Although an additional grocery store would provide another option so that savvy shoppers could compare prices and have more variety, it is not essential. The community is already self-sufficient and does need another grocery store to survive. Perhaps the land could serve a more beneficial purpose.

A 24-hour store may potentially interrupt use of the observatory as well. The physics department has expressed concern because the light from the store could hinder people's ability to clearly see the night sky in that direction. This could also impact the physics department's curriculum because it would not be able to hold the same night labs as it currently does. We encourage the new development to use responsible lighting to minimize the negative effects it could have on the observatory.

Besides interfering with the night sky, a grocery store would put a damper the area's beauty. The area close to the construction site is currently residential. The new buildings will detract from the small town atmosphere of Lewisburg. Also, the University prides itself on its beauty. By creating these stores, people coming to the University would see the commercial development rather than the current quaintness of the area.

Although commercial development has promise for the area because it will provide more options for residents and students, RVG Management and Development Company should really consider what should go in the allotted space.

The proposed construction will impact academics and, most importantly, the welfare of students at the University. It is imperative that the University takes a proactive role in opposing the development plans to preserve the function of the observatory, the safety of the students and the aesthetic character of the University.

Letters to the editor

Muppet helps children to learn about reality of AIDS

To the Editor:

Elisabeth Salemme's opinion piece entitled "World's First HIV Positive Muppet Makes Appearance" greatly disturbed me. It is ironic that it was printed in the same edition that carried a front-page story on "The Real World." Please allow me to share with fellow Bucknellians a bit of the real world live from South Africa.

South African pre-school children are surrounded by HIV/AIDS. They cannot hide from it. Kami, the world' first HIV positive Muppet on "Sesame Street," is not prematurely exposing children to anything they don't know.

Pre-school children in South Africa may not know what to call it, but they know something is taking their parents and friends away from them. They are scared. Nobody will talk about it, except for Kami.

For many children, Kami is the probably the only person who tells the truth. Kami tells children that it's OK to play with a friend who is living with HIV.

It's OK to be sad when you lose your mom. You don't have to hide anything. You can talk about it.

Congratulations to "Sesame Street" for bringing Kami into the lives of South Africa's children. The more we are honest with ourselves, and our children, the better we will be able to cope with this devastating situation.

Facts (1):

Over 3.5 million people in South Africa are infected with HIV (equal to the population of Connecticut). This number is expected to double in the next decade.

By 2005 there will be more than 800,000 orphans (equal to 225 times the University's student body). The number of orphans will be more than 1.95 million in 2010 (equal to 550 times the Bucknell student body).

Some more facts from a survey of 700 families affected by HIV/AIDS (2):

More than half the affected families do not have enough food and are forced to watch their children go hungry.

Almost a quarter of all children under 15 in the survey had already lost at least one parent.

In 12 percent of households, children were sent away to live elsewhere; in 8 percent, children under 18 were the primary caregivers; and 25 percent of the caregivers were over 60.

Only about 50 percent of the respondents acknowledged publicly that the sick person they were caring for had HIV/AIDS; one in 10 reported hostility and rejection.

Sincerely,
Jeanne Hoerter (Platt, '92)

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Write a letter to the editor.

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Management 101 much more than a 'group of solicitors'

To the Editor:

The LC mall has been overwhelmed these past two weeks with Management 101 companies urging students and faculty to buy their products. Whether it is BU scarves, T-shirts, playing cards or Nalgene bottles, many people look at these companies as nothing more than a group of solicitors trying to make a profit. Behind each business product, however, lies a service project that is in need of community service. This year's MG 101 Company "A Bottle for Ronald" has decided upon a mission to help the families of Ronald McDonald House (RMH) in Danville through the sale of BU Nalgene bottles. Due to massive renovations occurring at the house during the months of October and November, families currently living in the house will be without a functioning cooking facility for this time period. To meet the needs of these families, our company prepared and served a series of six meals for RMH during the first two weeks of November. Providing a warm-felt home-cooked meal, not only took away the additional expense and time commitment needed to prepare a meal, but allowed families to spend as much time with their loved ones as possible.

The Ronald McDonald House in Danville provides a "home away from home" for the parents and families of children hospitalized or undergoing treatment of cancer and other serious illnesses. While their children are receiving treatment at Geisinger Medical Center in Danville, families are provided with not only the opportunity for affordable lodging and warm meals, but also a nourishing environment where families in similar situations can receive additional support and strength from one another. It is amazing to see families walk in the door, drained after a long day at the hospital, and have their faces light up when they see a warm dinner already prepared for them. On behalf of our entire company, I would like to give a special thanks to Dining Services, Wal-Mart and Weis for their generous donations as well as Bucknell students and faculty for their support. Dining Services, especially the help of General Manager of Dining Services Timothy Tenon, Mark Wirtz and Rick Slear, has been a tremendous help in donating food and cooking facilities for our use. Beyond the wonderful donation of food for two meals to Ronald McDonald house, Mr. Tim Tenon and the rest of the Dining Service team has been absolutely amazing in their cooperation with our company.

Sincerely,
Christine Hebling '05

Bill Kenny a hidden gem at University

To the Editor:

If you missed last Friday night's concert—"Music of America, Pennsylvania and Bucknell" you missed one of the finest concerts that my wife, Elizabeth '59 and I have ever attended at the University.

We have been coming back to University for every Homecoming for the past 12 or more years and attended almost every Parents Weekend, when our son, John '94 was on campus and we just can't ever remember a more stirring performance by any group. And to top it off, it was free.

University has a real hidden gem in Director of Bands and Associate Music Professor Bill Kenny. The program that was a part of the performance gave an outstanding explanation of the music. The presentation of our "Star Spangled Banner" was outstanding. The students performed with energy and zest; you can see how Bill brings out the absolute best in each and every performer.

Great concert Bill—let's have more of the same.

Sincerely,
Steve and Betsy '59 Foster

BUCC just wants freedom

To the Editor:

Jacksy Jiang's article, "Conservatives Club's attention-getting mechanisms similar to Eminem" hits one of the key points the Bucknell Conservative Club (BUCC) has been arguing for: freedom. Whether it be freedom of choice or freedom of speech this club stands for all the freedoms that the United States' foundation for existence. Towards the end of his article, Jiang states, "If the BUCC irritates you, why not just ignore it?" This small, yet extremely powerful sentence defines our freedom of choice. If you don't like something, don't give it any attention, and especially don't run to the dean of students to fix the situation. In the real world, a "dean of students" figure does not exist to solve your problems, so you should simply ignore it. In the real world, people can say whatever they want, so you must learn how to deal with racist idiots without administrative help.

Thank you for showing the University they have the freedom of choice. As for your reasoning behind your argument, that is, the BUCC makes arguments "not for the sake of arguing, but purely for the sake of drawing attention," you couldn't be more wrong. If you knew, or even talked to, cause it is apparent by your article you haven't, BUCC President Denise Chaykun '04 or "Counterweight" Editor Charles Mitchell '05, you would learn all they want to do is create a political dialogue on this campus including conservative thought. As for "drawing reactions," you must be referring to the Swastika drawn on a BUCC member's door last year, or the other numerous character defaming acts against the individuals of the BUCC that have happened over the last few months. My guess is they do not like this, nor do they act to encourage more of it.

Finally, as for what you claim is "strange, somewhat illogical, radical and offensive arguments," you should realize the conservative viewpoint is none of these, as America's voters turned out in mass to give the Senate back to the Republicans, and maintain the Republican advantage in the House and in the governorship. The American public must be strongly embracing conservativism if they GAVE power to the president in the midterm election. Granted, you may laugh at conservativism if you want, you may call it a "source of comic relief"; it is your choice to do so, but do realize it is for real.

Sincerely,
Andy Findlay '03

Opinions

Democratic Party needs to improve political agenda

By Michael Niebauer
Senior Writer

This last election was not the end of the world for those of the Democratic Party or those aligned with the many causes closely connected to political left in this country. Before Democrats begin to assess the nature of their post-election blues and replenish themselves for the next challenge in two years Democrats and liberals must admit a few things about President George W. Bush.

Bush has succeeded in this off-year election in loosening himself from any doubts that his presidency is not legitimate and has the added aspect of historic popularity among the voting public. November must have become Bush's favorite month in recent years.

The simple facts that the Republicans have added to majorities in the House and won the Senate are proof enough. A troubled economy complete with corporate scandals amid trillions in losses in the stock market is proof that Bush also knows how to take advantage of adversity, which came with the 9/11 attacks. Knowing that the American people rally around the president during national crises the Republicans have pushed many measures through Congress that would not have made it otherwise.

The seeds of the Democratic losses this fall were in the bi-partisan nature of the too swift passage of tax cut legislation and other measures that passed congress with too little consideration in the nervous weeks after the attacks.

The table was set and the Republicans ate their fill as the president received the credit and public approval for effectiveness in the war on terror. The recent election success began in this time, with fear that still has not worn off. The bill we will all have to pay has yet to arrive from that expensive banquet of defense spending increases and tax cuts targeted for the well off top 5 percent of the population.

The president had an approval rating of 49-50 percent before Sept. 11. Democrats should accept their temporary fate as the minority and embrace the opportunity by remembering the pre-Sept. 11 approval rating. Now, in victory, the president and Republicans will have to produce measurable results. In this new political environment, Democrats should respond by taking political advantage of new strategies and opportunities in the face of the new Republican preeminence.

The economy and the disappearing budget surplus linked together will be a drag in the second two years of the Bush presidency. The embarrassment of the Harvey Pitt resignation from the Securities and Exchange Commission and the general ineffectiveness of the Bush administration's economic team are targets to be exploited by any opponent that was ever awake in an economics class. If economic stimulus was a prescribed drug for the economy the needle must be firmly attached to an entire fleet of oil tankers and it is still missing the needy vein.

The Federal Reserve is running low on the interest rate reduction drug and must soon be ready to send interest rates rising once again, which will be another economic drag to our anemic economy. The president still wants to look into partially privatizing social security and making permanent last year's badly targeted tax cut. These are all problems or opportunities depending on how you look at them. The advantage for Democrats is that they all are possible net losers for the White House if all does not go well politically for the Bush administration.

Politics is a game of tough societal hardball and this president has been very lucky for two years and has learned to win at the game. Democrats are due to win in this game and will win their share if they are ready with imaginative alternatives and properly propose them.

Democrats must remember that they must not be seen as against the president or Republicans personally, only on a general political basis. Democrats must be for "something" politically as well, and not slip into conspiracy rhetoric on issues. Smart and heeded Democratic leadership should control views, keeping people on message and maintain party discipline. Whether the new Democratic leadership is tilted toward the left or the middle of the political spectrum they should get out of Washington and seek answers from the public and them address their concerns. The Republicans have an easier time of this because the well-connected, religious fundamentalists and business interests they represent are vocal about what they want, need and demand of their.

Democrats must re-establish their political roots, values and desires from those millions disgruntled, displaced and generally appalled after the recent election. Only by embracing their inputs and viewpoints should Democrats strive to become once again their clear advocate. Social and economic equality should be the goal of the Democrats' period and they should be as clear in their agenda as the Republicans are in theirs. Getting large contributor money out of the electoral process should be a priority as well. Republican Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., would be a willing ally in this work so essential for replenishing trust in the political system among the voting public that has lost much faith in politics and politicians.

It is a small "d" democratic imperative for the Democrats to clearly define themselves within the political process. Our democracy, with all its flaws, needs balance through a focused oppositional force of at least two vibrant political parties. The forceful views of third parties should be consulted as well. Ralph Nader has many views that deserve listening to and serious consideration within the Democratic Party apparatus.

The wrong, loud and useless blaming of Nader for the loss in 2000 should stop. This only gives cheer to the Republicans and Democrats alienate a fine intellectually honest ally in Nader. The imbalance currently endangering our national political process is not a healthy one. Any honest Republican operative would agree since political imbalance only breeds eventual political instability where both sides lose. So, Democrats lost this time ... so what! The Iowa presidential caucus is only 13 months away and Democrats have work to do. It is time to make the Democratic voice of the loyal opposition heard once more ... just a bit louder this time. It really is necessary for the good of the political process because political balance demands it.

Negative political ads may educate voters on issues

By Aaron Hanlon
Staff Writer

Bill Mahr, the laughably unfunny host of the show formerly known as "Politically Incorrect" (and now known as "canceled") who suggested that Americans are cowards for defending themselves with cruise missiles, seems to have pried himself away from praising the reckless, self-destructive "bravery" of the Sept. 11 terrorists and discovered a new pet cause.

Naturally, Mahr has redirected his criticism from such trivial issues as self-defense against al-Qaida sociopaths flying planes into sky-scrapers to the more pressing and pertinent issue of negative campaigning, sounding off about it on major networks during election night. Conveniently, this is one of the few issues on which Hollywood-types like Mahr are actually in synch with a sizeable portion of Americans.

Even the invalid negative ads are compelling, humorous and entertaining. And they just might help draw someone out of his apathy and toward the voting booths.

The mere mention of negative campaigning causes people to recoil with indignation similar to that which results from calling someone out on wearing the horizontal-striped J. Crew sweater with last year's color scheme. Negative campaign ads are certainly not in vogue. But are they really as deplorable as everyone thinks they are?

Critics of negative campaigning have argued that negative ads should be banned because they often reference candidates' private lives. "Congressman A is a bad person because she cheated on her husband. Don't vote for her." Granted, half of the country has been brainwashed into thinking that Clinton's shortcomings were "just about sex" and any inquiry into the private lives of politicians is roughly the equivalent to stalking outside of Brittany Spears' bathroom window.

But we must bear in mind the fact that politicians are public servants who voluntarily place themselves in the public eye, often at the expense of some privacy. Campaign ads that investigate the personal lives of politicians can tell voters a great deal about their characters. Such ads may be deemed "negative" because they expose opponents' shady dealings and moral disasters, but they provide voters with important information. How many modestly responsible Clinton fans would have still voted for him had they known about his propensity to somehow (who knows?) get himself implicated in a handful of unrelated rape charges?

Is anyone surprised that he made a mockery of the presidency when he sodomized an intern and then lied about it in court? Maybe the GOP should have implemented more negative ads. This is not to say that irresponsible ads and libelous/slanderous statements are in any way beneficial to the campaigning and voting processes. Rather, valid negative ads can act as whistle-blowers that give voters a heads up about the negative things that some candidates have actually done in the past. Because politics is largely dependent upon ethical standards and accountability (and perhaps the lack thereof is the reason for our frighteningly low voter turnout), negative ads are helpful in that they can expose things about candidates that cannot be exposed by simply looking at a candidate's voting record or bragging about accolades. Pointing out the opposition's mistakes is just as important as lauding one's own accomplishments. Just ask the Democrats after our most recent midterm elections; they might have a bit more to criticize than they do to laud—but that's an instrumental part of our democratic republic.

The best thing about negative campaign ads is that they have their own built-in method of weeding out distasteful, ad hominem attacks and irresponsible messages (I would say "foolproof," but then again some people in Florida had difficulty deciphering complicated ballots that maliciously included more than two candidates).

When we see good negative ads, we recognize something about the attacked candidate that we find unfavorable. When we see bad ones, we laugh or sneer at the guy with the husky voice talking about how Congressman B most certainly hates children and goes out of his way to step on puppies and cut down trees. Anyone with enough brainpower to vote responsibly could recognize when a campaign is going too far with a negative ad and consequently take that ad as a strike against the campaign that paid for it. For this reason, we need not argue over the effectiveness of negative ads in general because it is clear which ones are valid and which ones are shameful.

It has been suggested that negative ads themselves are the reason for low voter turnout. In my experiences, however, comical or attention-grabbing negative ads have sparked political interest in some deadbeat citizens who care more about smoking weed in the here-and-now than electing the people who will hopefully allow them to do so legally and without putting towels under their doors. Even the invalid negative ads are compelling, humorous and entertaining. And they just might help draw someone out of his apathy and toward the voting booths.

There is a multitude of campaigning and voting issues of far greater importance than negative campaigning. We should address morality, accountability and civil responsibility instead of putting negative ads to the grindstone. And of equal importance: we must not overlook their entertainment value.

U.S. Democracy will die under the two party system

By Tim Hinkle
Staff Writer

I just voted in my first election. Looking at my absentee ballot, I was extremely disappointed. In every one of the races besides two, I had to decide between either a Republican and Democratic candidate. You may think there is nothing wrong with this. But I do.

Is this not America? Surely we have a wealth of opinions enough to justify having more than two candidates on the ballot. In one of the races, the Democratic position was listed even though there was no Democrat running. Knowing how extremely hard it is for third parties to get themselves on the ballot, let alone succeed over the propaganda machines that our two main parties run flawlessly, I find this absolutely deplorable. In America, we should not have to settle for merely two candidates in any race.

The only way the system will change is if we, the people, want it to.

I see too many issues that are not being addressed by either the Republican or Democratic parties: the rampant destruction of our environment, corporate domination of the political system, a never-ending and futile drug war and a foreign policy that directly contributes to terrorism, poverty and slave labor to name a few. As Americans, we constantly proclaim our superiority because of our fantastic democratic system.

Well, I think it is time to wake up and smell the toxic sludge that is our heinously corrupted democracy. The Democratic and Republicans parties both control the vast majority of our political offices in this country, not to mention the outlets of opinion. I believe that we need more breadth and diversity of thought in America if we are to have a true democracy.

If you look at America's last election, you will begin to see that America's commitment to democracy has seriously faltered. We had two candidates, neither of which most people were that exited about. This is America. We should have the best presidential candidates in the world, hands down.

Look how President George W. Bush and former Vice President Al Gore barred Ralph Nader from joining the televised debates, simply because he would have questioned them on their increasingly similar views.

Both the Democratic and Republican parties are awash with campaign contributions from corporate special interests whose desires dominate government policy. We vote with numbers, they vote with dollars. Whose opinions do you think our politicians care about? And look at the serious problems with the actual voting process. Voting machines all over the country proved to be inaccurate and faulty, especially in Florida. Here we are, two years later, and still many of those deficiencies have not been corrected. What does it say about our commitment to democracy if we do not care even enough to make sure that our voting machines work reliably and accurately?

So I say, wake up, America. The only way we can begin to affect change is through forcing our leaders to shake their corporate chains and begin listening to the people. Since our leaders have shown repeatedly this is not a priority, especially when they have the monopoly on public opinion with our outdated two party system, we must lead the way to change ourselves.

So get out there. Join a protest. Voice your opinions. Vote, and convince others to vote for parties like the Greens or Libertarians. Break the trance of political and social apathy. The only way the system will change is if we, the people, want it to. America could be a great place, or it could be a place where the power is increasingly consolidated into the hands of a few.

I challenge you to help America reach its potential. As Ralph Nader said in his acceptance speech as the Green Party's Presidential candidate in 2000, "I hear you say often that you're not turned on to politics. Well, let me bring to bear the lessons of history. If you're not turned on to politics, the lesson of history is that politics will turn on you. So, let's start the countdown."

What is so great about Sweden?

By Tom Elliott
Senior Writer

Professors like to mask their radical political beliefs under euphemistic labels that avoid unpopular terms like "communist" or "socialist." For some reason they don't mind as much calling themselves Marxists or "neo-Marxists"; although they often avoid citing the title to his most celebrated work, "The Communist Manifesto."

A natural by-product of this tendency is to invent terms like "social capitalism" to label the political-economies to which they favor most. Pressed with the unfortunate circumstance of having no historical examples of leftist economies that actually work in practice, their rhetoric is robbed of due substance. Inevitably, they will sermonize on their most celebrated socialist institution: Sweden. Indeed, Sweden is every American professor's dream come true.

Sweden has a centrally-controlled economy with a large system of social handouts, such as health care and education. It has traditionally had centralized control over the workplace as a means to facilitate whatever the politicos are seeking to achieve. Sweden is in fact known for a high quality of life. But as of late, Swedes have experienced intense recession since 1991, which has made them reform some aspects of this welfare state.

"If Sweden left the European Union and joined the United States we would be the poorest state of America" writes Swede Jonah Norberg, and author of the book, 'In Defense of Global Capitalism.' "The median household income in Sweden in the late 1990s was the equivalent of $26,800 compared with a median of $39,400 for U.S. households—before taxes. And then we should remember that Sweden has the world's highest taxes."

Some may be surprised to learn that the average income for an African-American family in the United States (which earns the least) is higher than the average for all families in Sweden. This alone should drive any Marxist crazy; black families in America—which are supposedly oppressed—earn more than the average family in socialist Sweden. This goes against all their most basic intuitions.

In an article for "Tech Central Station," Norberg explains that free enterprise was the key to Sweden's previous high quality of life. Throughout the 20th century, their economy grew while the politicians let it be. While most of Europe's economies were ravaged by the effects of both world wars, Sweden profited by not getting involved, instead selling goods and industries to both sides. Before World War I, government spending on the public sector was a measly 5 percent. By 1950 it was around 25 percent, which was on par with the United States. The Social Democrats, who controlled the government, did not unnecessarily intrude in business because of the great economic rewards business was producing through trade. In 1970 Sweden was the fourth richest among the OECD-members, after the United States, Luxembourg and Switzerland.

These great financial bounties soon became plagued once the public sector began to grow like an undefeatable cancer. From 1950 to 1990—the year before the big depression hit—the private sector had not created a single net job, yet the public sector grew by more than a million workers.

"The Swedish public sector grew bigger, and more unproductive in the 1970s, and the labor market was regulated. From 1976-1982 public spending rose from 50 to 65 percent. At the same time we had to devalue the currency five times, by a total of 45 percent. The average growth rate was halved to 2 percent in the 1970s, and declined further in the 1980s, and that was before the big crisis in the 1990s," according to Norberg.

After 30 years of high tax rates, Sweden is now the 17th richest nation in the OECD. Those bearing the brunt of this downturn are Sweden's poorest.

"Between 1980 and 1999, the gross income of Sweden's poorest households increased by just over 6 percent while the poorest in the United States enjoyed a three times bigger increase," Norberg said.

Sweden, luckily, is learning its lesson. Since 1991, they have begun to enact a host of economic reforms. This includes a 10 percent reduction in civil service employment, cuts in social welfare spending, partial privatization of the state-owned sector and, most importantly, lower marginal tax rates for the people. Essentially, they are departing from their socialist welfare state in favor of what actually produces the best outcome for its people.

"In 1934 the two Swedish social democratic ideologues Gunnar and Alva Myrdal explained that there were extremely beneficial conditions for a welfare state in Sweden—considering our wealth, the homogenous population, the Protestant work ethic and the good education. If the welfare state didn't work here, it couldn't work anywhere in the world, they thought. The rest of the world should seriously ponder the fact that the Myrdals were right in that prediction," Norberg said.

Professors, please take note.

BUSINESS & POLITICS

U.N. Security Council condemns Iraq

Following Security Council resolution criticizing Iraq for failure to comply with U.N. weapons inspections, Hussein agrees to allow inspectors to enter country

By David LaRoss
Staff Writer

Yielding to pressure from both the international community and from the U.S. government, the United Nations Security Council passed Security Council Resolution 1441 on Nov. 8, which condemns Iraq for failing to "provide an accurate, full, final and complete disclosure ... of all aspects of its programs to develop weapons of mass destruction ... and of all holdings of such weapons." It also criticizes the Iraqi government for its restriction of access to suspected sites of weapons development by U.N. inspectors.

The resolution requires that Iraq grant U.N. inspectors full access to any site they choose to visit and the right to "remove, destroy or render harmless all prohibited weapons" or related systems.

It states that the "Council has repeatedly warned Iraq that it will face serious consequences as a result of its continued violations of its obligations."

The administration was encouraged by the resolution.

"Our message is simple: non-compliance no longer is an option," said John Negroponte, U.S. representative to the U.N. Security Council, according to *The New York Times*.

Negroponte emphasized that the resolution contains no explicit provision for an attack on Iraq.

If Iraq refuses inspections, it will only force another meeting of the Security Council, during which the Council will decide on a course of action.

"If the Security Council fails to act decisively in the event of a further Iraqi violation, this resolution does not constrain any member state from acting to defend itself against the threat posed by Iraq," Negroponte said. His statement follows the United States' recent perception of Iraq as an active military threat.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein waited until Wednesday to announce that he would comply with the resolution, although he stated, in a letter to U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan, "Iraq will not have any mass destruction weapons. So we are not worried about the inspectors when they will be back in the country."

According to CNN, the U.S. response to this statement was not positive.

"When Iraq must produce a list of its weapons of mass destruction, if Iraq produces no list and say it has no weapons of mass destruction, then what appears at this moment to be a diplomatic breakthrough could quickly turn into a military confrontation," Senior White House Correspondent John King said.

A White House representative said that if Hussein is discovered to have lied in this letter, it will be considered a breach of the resolution.

The Iraqi parliament passed a unanimous recommendation on Nov. 12 urging Hussein to go against the U.N.

According to MSNBC, Parliament Speaker Sudan Hammadi described the recommendation as "a message to the United States that the people of Iraq are united behind their leadership, and it also shows that the people of Iraq know that in the U.N. resolution ... there are major allegations which are baseless."

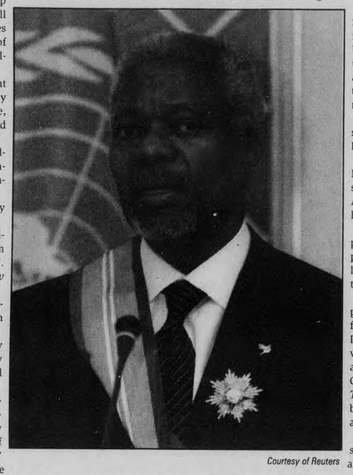
The only voice at the parliament session in favor of the resolution was Hussein's son, Uday Saddam Hussein.

"What is required from us as a National Assembly is to take clear decisions. We should, as a National Assembly, accept the U.N. resolution," he said, according to CNN.

Many sources see the rejection as a prelude to an acceptance by the Iraqi president, since the Iraqi Parliament has little actual power and would not be able to override Hussein's decision.

"I would imagine him saying that the people said no, but he sees the decision from the perspective of protecting the Iraqi people, and I think he can get away with it no problem," Muhammad Kamal, assistant professor of political science at Cairo University said to *The New York Times*. "He will say yes to the resolution because it is not about Iraq this time, it is about his own political survival."

U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan said to NBC that there would be no tolerance for a failure to comply on Iraq's part, and that "last-minute diplomacy" of the sort he employed in 1998, visiting Hussein personally in an attempt to prevent U.S./British air strikes, would not be considered.



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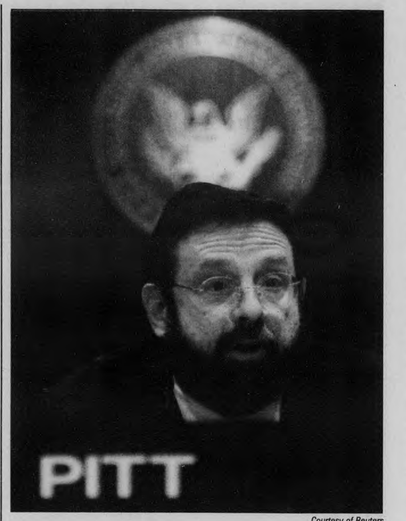
U.N. Secretary Iraqi General Kofi Annan, a primary negotiator with Iraq, said that President Saddam Hussein can no longer afford to refuse to cooperate with U.N. resolutions. The Security Council passed a resolution condemning Iraq for not cooperating with weapons inspectors.



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Harvey Pitt, chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission, speaks during a public hearing at the SEC in Washington. Under pressure from Congress, Pitt stepped down from his position.

SEC Chairman Harvey Pitt resigns

By Jim Leahy
Senior Writer

President George W. Bush's original choice as Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) Chairman, Harvey Pitt, finally met his match last week. Following an investigation into his appointment of William Webster to head a new accounting standards board, Pitt handed in his resignation on Election Day. The resignation brings to an end the short and volatile tenure of Pitt and opens many questions as to the future of the SEC.

Almost a week after Pitt's announcement, Webster also decided that it would be best to resign as well.

According to MSNBC.com, Webster wrote in a letter to the SEC, "I now believe my continued presence on the board will only generate more distractions which will not be helpful to the important mission of the board."

Webster is a former director of the FBI and CIA and held his position for only 18 days following a controversial appointment.

Pitt's 15-month tenure at the helm of the SEC came at a time when corporate wrongdoing were at the center of debate and public consciousness.

In a letter to Bush, Pitt wrote, "Unfortunately, the turmoil surrounding my chairmanship and the agency makes it very difficult for the commissioners and dedicated SEC staffers to perform their critical assignments."

"Mr. Pitt had a rocky tenure at the SEC from the beginning, mainly because his past employment as a lawyer for big accounting firms and other stock-market players engendered deep distrust from Democrats and others favoring tough oversight," reported *The Wall Street Journal*.

In the week following his resignation, Pitt defended his stay at the SEC and maintained that he did a good job. CNN reported that Pitt told a meeting of the Securities Industry Association that his handling of the Sept. 11 crisis and the way he forced company heads to certify financial results were just some of the many things his tenure brought to the SEC.

Pitt also said, "I hope my successor isn't greeted with the same climate of attack and partisanship."

Pitt faced numerous battles throughout his time as the head of the main regulatory agency for the securities business, many resulting from his own actions. *The Wall Street Journal* included in the list of his self-induced problems his private meeting with the CEO of KPMG while he was under investigation, asking Congress for a raise and for his position to be made Cabinet level, blasting top Democratic leadership in Congress and then walking into the Webster controversy.

Pitt was responsible for finding a person to lead a new accounting oversight board formed after the outbreak of corporate scandal over the past several years. The board was empowered over the summer following the passage and signing into law of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act.

The act "gave the oversight board a crucial role in the effort to restore trust in corporate financial statements. To replace the accounting industry's widely criticized system of self-regulation, it gave the board the power to make rules for auditors, inspect accounting firms' work, investigate suspected wrongdoing and discipline auditors of public companies," *The Washington Post* said.

Pitt concluded his search when he settled on Webster. The nomination process was a bitter battle that saw the SEC board divided along party lines. The Democrats on the commission sought to place John Biggs on the oversight board. Biggs is the head of the pension fund TIAA-CREF. Republicans opposed Biggs due to his historically tough stance on the use of outside auditors.

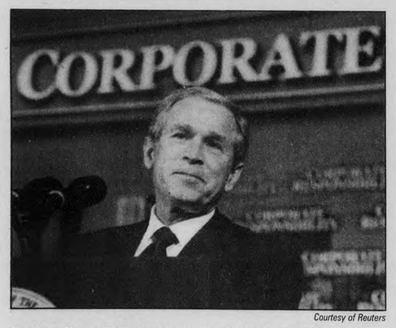
According to *The Wall Street Journal*, immediately following his 3-2 approval, Webster came under fire. Neither Pitt nor Robert Herdman (SEC chief accountant who also resigned last week) informed the other four SEC commissioners that Webster had disclosed that he had run the audit committee of a company, U.S. Technologies Inc., whose auditors quit. U.S. Technologies is currently under investigation for fraud.

"Two of the most important jobs in dealing with the aftermath of the corporate scandals—running the Securities and Exchange Commission and the new Public Company Accounting Oversight Board—now await filling in the wake of William H. Webster's resignation from the accounting board yesterday," Floyd Norris said in a *New York Times* article.

The people who will fill these positions will assume them at a time when many are out for blood.

Corporate America is presently at a low point. Bush will be looking to show that he really does care about the economy and that he does have a feeling for its pulse. Many Wall Street watchers will be paying attention to this issue until the next candidates for these jobs are tapped.

Economic concerns remain high despite Republican victory in recent elections



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President George W. Bush addresses business leaders on Wall Street. Many on Wall Street believe that the new Republican majority will lead to a new period of economic growth.

By Lindsey Gentel
Writer

The Republican sweep in the midterm elections did great things for President George W. Bush. It erased the blotch of the 2000 election photo finish, broke through the Democratic blockade in the Senate and solidified Bush's influence and leadership. Yet with power comes responsibility, and he now owns an unstable economy. Many from Wall Street believe that a Republican sweep is exactly what the economy needs.

Some believe the notion of an anti-business mentality that has existed in the Senate this past year, due to the corporate accounting scandals, including WorldCom, Enron and others, will subside.

According to CNN, it is difficult to create jobs if everybody is anti-business, and with this mindset on the back burner analysts reason that the country will head towards a stronger economy.

Bush's corporate-friendly nominees for regulatory agencies will move more quickly toward approval with a Republican-set Senate agenda.

Several pro-business bills will begin movement through the Senate. These bills include an energy bill that would be a boom to various power stocks; a terrorism insurance bill, benefiting insurance and construction companies and a liability lawsuit reform bill, benefiting the stocks of companies with exposure to asbestos, malpractice and other suits, according to CNN.

Moreover, many economists are thrilled by the likelihood of easier tax laws, due to the Republican sweep. For one thing, last year's $1.35 trillion tax cut has a much better chance of enduring under a Republican Congress.

Northern Trust economist Paul Kasriel said in an interview on CNN.com before the election, "If Republicans were to regain control of the Senate, the probabilities of some major tax cuts would go up quite dramatically. If those tax cuts were implemented, this would have a positive impact on both the economy and the stock market."

Despite Wall Street's outlook on a Republican Congress, the majority of Americans still believe Democrats are better at handling issues pertaining to the economy.

In a recent CNN/Time magazine poll that surveyed over 1,000 Americans, 44 percent thought Democrats were better at handling the economy, contrasted with just 39 percent who thought the Republicans were better.

Some analysts believe a Republican Congress could have a negative impact on the confidence of individual investors. Confidence lingers with a Congress that is not as assertive in keeping corporate leaders from running away with investors' 401k money.

Furthermore, fears of going back to deficit spending, which has represented recent Republican presidential administrations, could lead to a rise in interest rates because fixed-income investors might search for a greater return to coincide with their anticipation for higher inflation. Higher interest rates could put a restraint on economic growth. With the election night resignation of Securities and Exchange Commission Chairman Harvey Pitt, some of this unease may be calmed.

Democrats have been known to spend money as well. According to MSNBC.com, many economists thought Republicans might be more prone to reduce non-defense government expenditures.

Whatever the case may be, the majority in both houses of Congress is not overpowering and therefore it is improbable Republicans will be able to make excessive changes. Many economists think gridlock is a damaging occurrence during the current slowdown because tax cuts and other intensive measures are less likely to be pushed through Congress, according to MSNBC.com.

But gridlock hasn't always been unpleasant. In the late 1990s the divided government meant Democrats couldn't pass new spending programs and Republicans couldn't pass new tax cuts, therefore influencing one of the stock market's best periods.

"I don't think the economy is more likely to be better under the Republicans or the Democrats; a case can be made for each," said John Davidson, president and CEO of PartnerRe Asset Management Corp, in an interview with CNN. "The importance to the economy is really more with the Federal Reserve [interest rate] decision that takes place on Nov. 6."

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An interview with X-country runner Bryan Johnston

By Evan Honeyfield
Staff Writer

As the cross country season is rapidly approaching its climax with the Mid-Atlantic Regional meet this Saturday, I caught up with the Bison's top cross country runner this fall: Bryan Johnston '03. Johnston, the No. 2 runner last year, has been stepping up big this season since Greg Costello '03 was diagnosed with a stress fracture back in early October. (Incidentally, Costello finds out this week if his leg has healed enough to race Saturday.)

Bucknellian: How would you say the season has gone so far both individually and teamwise?

Johnston: Thus far, I would say that our cross country season has been somewhat perplexing. We all seem to respond differently to the training and have great races at different times. The experience of running a great team race has been eluding us. This challenge is something we are just going to have to plow through, and in the end I feel we will be strong for it. Individually, I am very pleased with how the season has played out thus far. I feel as though both my confidence and fitness level have been steadily increasing throughout the season. I hope to carry this momentum into mid-Atlantic Regional race this weekend in West Virginia.

Bucknellian: In your mind, compared to last year, how is your fitness right now?

Johnston: Compared to last year, I would say my fitness has improved significantly. My body has been able to handle a greater amount of mileage this year and I'm seeing a lot of improvement because of it. Workouts that I recall being really tough last year seemed a little less difficult this season.

Bucknellian: What kind of mileage do you run a week? In summer? Mid-season? Right now?

Johnston: In a high volume week I'll run between 90-100 miles, a medium week is approximately 80-90 miles and a low volume week is around 65-80 miles. I was running 10 miles a day in August, and a few weeks before we came back to train I started adding a second run on a few of the days. Mid-season this year was when I was running my highest mileage. This is the time when I got in a few 100 mile weeks. Currently, we are tapering off some since we are into the championship races. I'm running about 70-80 miles a week.

Bucknellian: To the person who thinks jogging 2 miles is tough, how do you explain why you train so much?

Johnston: Well, we train so much because we want to stay competitive at this level. There are some who are just born gifted at running, but those of us who don't have this gift have to train like hell to be competitive. A lot of people think that jogging a few miles is difficult, but you would be surprised how much abuse your body can actually take if you are willing to push it. I've always thought that you have to be a little crazy to be a distance runner or you'll never make it.

Bucknellian: What are your goals for Regionals this weekend, individually and teamwise?

Johnston: This weekend, my goal as an individual is to qualify for Nationals. I feel this is within reach and I'm willing to do whatever it takes to get there. Teamwise, I just want all of us to be able to walk away knowing that we gave everything we had.

Costello, a NCAA national qualifier last season, and Head Coach Kevin Donner, also believe in Johnston.

"Bryan is a grinder. He grinds through everything he can, even if it hurts. When he sets out to achieve something, he sticks to it and won't stop until he has achieved his goal. He is mentally one of the toughest runners on our team, he just needs to stay positive. If you sit down and

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Swimming and diving squad places third

Guskey and Freeman lead the Bison at the Sprint Invitational, the first meet in the new Kinney Natatorium

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Bucknell has traditionally been a solid force in the Patriot League, placing fourth last year and hoping to build upon that success this year.

By Jon Riskin
Writer

The Bucknell men's swimming and diving team hosted the first ever meet in the newly constructed Kinney Natatorium and seemingly enjoyed their new surroundings, placing third among five teams at this weekend's Sprint Invitational.

The Bison men were led by the first place finishes of Michael Guskey '03 and Adam Freeman '05. Guskey placed first in the 50-meter breaststroke with a time of 27.12 seconds and Freeman led the divers with two first place finishes, taking both the 1-meter and 3-meter events. Bucknell has traditionally proved to be a tough foe in the Patriot League, placing fourth last year and hoping to build upon that success in this year's competition.

Stelio Saffos '03, who also earned points in the 50 breast with a time of 27.85, was enthusiastic about upcoming meets and the abilities of his teammates.

"The men's breast-strokers are going to be a strong force in the Patriot League. We have a talented group of guys and we have been training a lot together. We want to take it to the next level this year," Saffos said.

Bucknell is coached by Jerry Foley, who enters his fifth year with the Blue and Orange. Foley has been extremely successful, as his athletes have accumulated 81 top-10 finishes in the past two years. The new Olympic size pool is much faster than in the past and the improved facilities should

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Men's soccer earns school record for wins

Men end season with a win against Army, surpassing the Bucknell school record for wins at 13

By Tara Utchel
Senior Writer

The men's soccer team completed its last two games of the season this past week. The Bison battled to a 1-0 home victory over Army last Sunday, redeeming themselves after dropping a 1-0 decision to No. 11 Maryland on Wednesday.

In front of a Homecoming crowd of 512, the Orange and Blue ended their season with a 1-0 win.

The first half started out slow for both teams. Neither team penetrated the 18-yard line because most of the action occurred in the middle of the field. Scoring opportunities were nonexistent.

"The first half was not very good soccer for either team. In the second half we started to play with more fire and started to dictate the flow of the game," Head Coach Brendan Nash said.

Bucknell picked it up in the second half. They had 18 shots on net, but only converted one of those shots with eight minutes left in the game. Eric Brunton '06 received a pass outside of the box from Brian Johnson '03. Brunton shot a curving ball passed Army's diving keeper for his fourth goal of the season, the first goal of the game and the last goal of the season.

The win was encouraging after a tough loss to Maryland on Sunday. The Terps dominated most of the first half, but the Bison held their own. The game was scoreless going into halftime.

Both of the teams' play mirrored that of the first 45 minutes. The score remained 0-0, until 26 minutes into the half. A scramble in front of Bucknell's net led to a Maryland goal. That would be the game's only goal.

Despite the loss, the last week was a positive finish to a superb season.

"We had a very good season. Defensively we did a great job as a team, but our back five were outstanding every single game.

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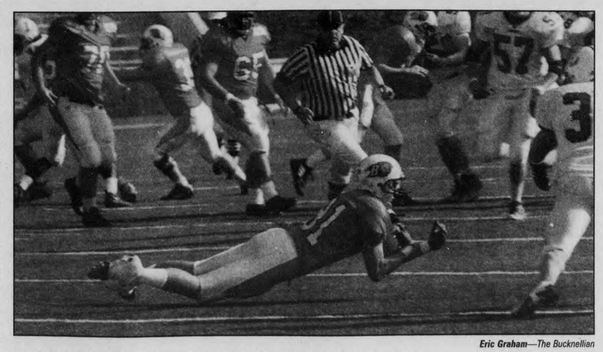
Adam Wilcox—The Bucknellian

Midfielder Otto Tancraitor '05 (above) has been an important part of the Bison this year. He has helped Bucknell set the school record for wins. The Bison beat Army last Sunday.

Homecoming doesn't change dismal plight

This weekend's Homecoming loss to Lafayette dropped the Bison football squad's record to 2-7



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Wide receiver Jim Horan (above) had six catches for 75 yards in the Lafayette game.

By Cory Nadler
Senior Writer

The Bison dropped to 2-7 on the season, following their lowest scoring output since the 1996 season, losing 19-3 to Lafayette last Saturday at Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium.

The Bison were playing catch up from the beginning. After receiving the opening kickoff the Leopards marched down the field in what seemed to be an effortless manner. After completing five of their first seven passes, the Leopards had to settle for a 22-yard field goal to cap off the 13-play, 61-yard drive, due to the stifling Bison red zone defense. Lafayette led 3-0 less than five minutes into the game.

Things did not get any better for the Bison when the offense took the field. On their second play from scrimmage, starting quarterback Cole Ciesnolevicz '05 fumbled the ball on a lateral attempt, and the Leopards regained possession on the Bucknell 10-yard line. The red zone defense of the Bison proved too much for the Lafayette offense yet again, and the Leopards settled for another field goal, this time from 26 yards out, to make the score 6-0 with 8 minutes, 15 seconds remaining in the first quarter.

On the ensuing Bucknell drive, the Bison offense showed some spark. The Bison began using wide receiver Daris Wilson '05 at quarterback, and put Ciesnolevicz out as a wide receiver on some plays. Wilson was an option quarterback in high school, and gave the Bison offense the addition they needed. Bucknell moved the ball

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Bison place 3rd in Invitational

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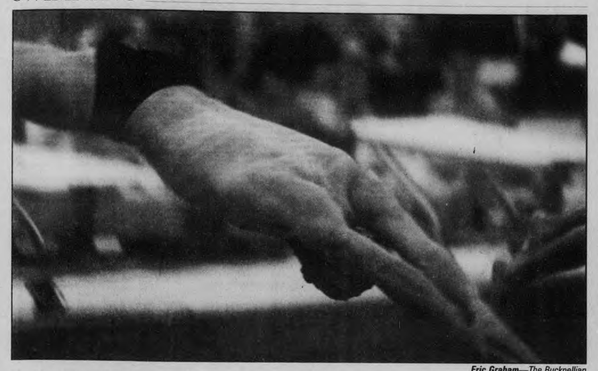

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The Bison placed third in last weekend's Sprint Invitational. It was the first meet in Bucknell's new natatorium.

only further the success of the program.

This year's team is also somewhat different from the past, as it is composed of a more balanced roster. Instead of being carried by one or two swimmers, there is a good distribution of talent and anyone could prove to be valuable on any given day. Jack Sheehan '04, who finished fifth in the 400 individual medley, said.

"We feel like our depth is really going to help us throughout the season, especially against teams like American that depend on just a few guys. We have the ability to consistently earn points in every event," Sheehan said.

> *"We have a talented group of guys and we have been training a lot together. We want to take it to the next level this year."*
> — ***Stelio Saffos '03***

The Bison won their last meet 168-132 against Drexel on Nov. 2, but have tough competition looming in the near future. American and Army both finished ahead of Bucknell last year in the Patriot League and will visit Lewisburg on consecutive weekends. You can catch the swimmers and divers in action tomorrow, Nov. 16, at 2 p.m.

Bison drop to 8-5 in the P.L.

By Brent Butler
Sports Editor

After a decisive 3-0 victory over Holy Cross on Friday, Bucknell fell to Patriot League foe Army last Saturday. With the loss the Bison have dropped to 8-5 in the Patriot League and have placed themselves in a precarious position for a possible playoff berth.

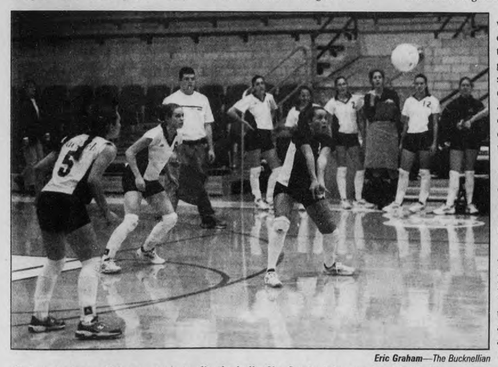
"We have to beat Colgate to keep our 3rd place position," Chelsea Anderson '06 said.

With the 3-0 victory over Holy Cross, the Bison have captured their 14th win of the season and their 8th Patriot League win.

This was the Bison's second 3-0 victory over Holy Cross this season. The first being on Oct. 11. The Bison defeated the Crusaders in the first game of the night 30-28. The Bison offense came out strong after the first match and beat Holy Cross 30-21 and 30-21 in the last two games.

"We played with a lot more emotion during the Holy Cross game," Anderson said. "When we come out strong and play like we can, then the win comes along too."

Melanie Ghiz '03 led the Bison on the night with 15 kills and hit .303, while Brandi Trapasso '04 added 10 kills and 12 digs to the Bison effort. Breean Trapasso '04 recorded a team high 18 digs and 35 assists, and Jennifer Wrigley '03



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Chelsea Anderson '06 gets ready to dig the ball. She finished the match with 11 digs in the libero position, as the Bison defeated Holy Cross last Friday.

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Athlete of the Week
Melanie Ghiz '03

By Josh Herwitt
Staff Writer

Courtesy of Athletic Communications

Melanie Ghiz '03 has stepped up this season to lead the Bison to a superb 14-2 record.

The many outstanding achievements of Melanie Ghiz '03 so far this year have given the Bucknell women's volleyball team a fight for the Patriot League title in this 2002 season. After losing six seniors from last season, Ghiz has stepped to lead the team night in and night out with her dominance on the court.

The team, 14-2 overall and 8-5 in Patriot League play, split the Homecoming Weekend with a solid win against Holy Cross and then tough loss to Army. Ghiz's consistent contributions at middle blocker have her often leading the team with team highs in kills with 15 in the win and 19 in the loss.

Ghiz grew up in New Caanan, Conn., a small, preppy town reminiscent of the life here at Bucknell. Although field hockey was one of the most popular sports, Ghiz enjoyed playing with her teammates on the volleyball team. Ghiz also played club volleyball, and the combination of her high school team and club team demanded much of her time outside of school.

She started playing volleyball in seventh grade, when she decided to choose it over swimming. Before attending Bucknell, she had always played middle blocker, but for the last two years she moved to the right side to play opposite setter due to the plethora of other middle blockers on the team and to stop some of the big hitters that the team would face.

Ghiz was not always a dominant player for the Bucknell squad.

"Melanie has made incredible strides in her offensive production as a member of the volleyball team the last two seasons. She has gone from a tall, above average high school player with great potential to an attacker who has the ability to dominate matches," Head Coach Cindy Opalski said.

The loss of six seniors had many believing that the team would not fair well. Ghiz's strong efforts complemented by the help of several underclassmen's play this season offered the Bison a chance to win the Patriot League Tournament.

"I think losing six seniors last year made people think that we wouldn't do so well this year, but we have a great group of underclassmen who have really stepped up, proving to people that we can win the tournament," Ghiz said. "For example, one of our starters was unable to play for a few weeks and a freshman was called upon to take her place in games, and she has really improved in the past few weeks to meet the challenge well."

The team hopes to win the Patriot League Tournament in two weeks at American and then move further on to the NCAA tournament.

"Fortunately other people on our team have stepped up offensively as we've progressed through the second round of Patriot League play," Opalski said. "This has given Melanie even greater flexibility in the front line to run patterns to maximize our offensive production. She'll be the primary 'go to person' in our team's mission to capture another Patriot League Volleyball Championship."

Aside from volleyball, Ghiz enjoys horseback riding and continues to train with her own horse Derby at Bucknell. After graduating from Bucknell, Ghiz hopes to move to the West Coast or the Washington, D.C., area to pursue a job in sales/marketing for a few years. Wherever she ends up, Ghiz hopes to have the opportunity to play some volleyball in a less competitive environment.

Field hockey falls in tournament

Courtesy of Athletic Communications

Kate Ruda '04 and Meiko Boynton '04 head off the field. The Bison fell to Lafayette.

By Ashley Hall
Staff Writer

Bucknell women's field hockey fell to the No. 1 seed Lafayette in the Patriot League tournament with an 8-1 loss last Friday. This was the first time since 2000 that the team has made it to the tournament.

"When we played Lafayette earlier in the season I thought they were one of the most explosive teams this league has fielded in my 11 years here at Bucknell. They did nothing to change my thoughts on Friday," Head Coach Heather Lewis said. "Simply put, they were the better team this year and I can applaud their execution on the field. I think their national ranking is a great thing for this league and it certainly brings credibility to Patriot League hockey. They have set the standard for the rest of the league and it's our goal to match them."

Lafayette is ranked 18th nationally with an 18-2 record for the season. Megan Monahan, the Patriot League Player of the Year, scored two goals for the team in this game, while Beth Gullota added three.

Carli Cataldo tied up the score 16 minutes, 56 seconds into the game. This was her fourth goal for the season. The Leopards came back with seven unanswered goals to win

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Statistics

Soccer
Men's

Bucknell	*1*
Army	*0*

Goals: Brunton
Assists: Johnson
Saves: Edwards 4

Field Hockey

Bucknell	*1*
Lafayette	*8*

Goals: Cataldo
Saves: Wettergreen 6

Volleyball
Women's

Bucknell	*3*
Holy Cross	*0*

(30-28, 30-21, 30-21)

Bucknell	*0*
Army	*3*

(30-27, 30-17, 33-31)

Football

Bucknell	*7*
Lafayette	*19*

Scoring: FG Lundberg kick
Rushing: Wilson 9-49, Kennedy 7-42
Passing: Cieslolewicz 9-18-1-91, Wenrich 5-7-1-25

Calendar

Women's Basketball
at Penn State
Friday, Nov. 15
7 p.m.

Men's Water Polo
at Queens
Saturday, Nov. 16
10 a.m.

Men's & Women's Swimming
vs. American
Saturday, Nov. 16
2 p.m.

Football
at Lehigh
Saturday, Nov. 16
12:30 p.m.

Volleyball
vs. Colgate
Saturday, Nov. 16
7 p.m.

Women's Basketball
at St. Bonaventure
Friday, Nov. 22
7 p.m.

Men's Basketball
at Notre Dame
Friday, Nov. 22
9 p.m.

Sports Ops

Cecily Cairns Classic Corner

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Sports Editor

Thrills, agony and ugly yellow blazers

"Monday Night Football" has provided a host of unforgettable moments over the course of its 32-year, 500-game history. Most football fans can recall with great ease their fondest and most lasting memories from the history of the weekly showdown.

For those with a taste for nostalgia, it might be the piercing drone of Howard Cosell's commentary cutting through the November air. For those who long to see last-minute miracles, it could be Montana's Mile High charge in 1994, or the Jets' astounding fourth-quarter effort in 2000. To those who love the spectacle of it all, it might be the ever-changing faces of celebrity guests or the timeless swinging melody of Hank Williams Jr. For those who take sadistic delight in the grotesquery of injury, it might be Lawrence Taylor reconfiguring Joe Theismann's leg in 1985.

But one thing is for sure—the mention of "Monday Night Football" won't cause a whole lot of people to well up and dote upon the smiling, freckled face of Roone P. Arledge. While the everyday football fan knows little of this gentleman, any connoisseur of sports broadcasting and the world of athletic entertainment will be more likely to give Arledge his due.

He is, after all, the greatest name in the history of modern televised sport. It takes a great man to turn a Monday into anything but the drab and tedious start to another dragging workweek for thousands of Americans. Arledge did that and a lot more.

His empire commenced quietly in 1960 when the American Broadcasting Corporation hired the 29-year-old from NBC to help produce broadcasts of NCAA football games. ABC, at the time, was limping along in the swirls of dust kicked in its face by monster networks NBC and CBS. The innovation-deficient network was on death's door. Then Arledge came along.

He didn't waste any time in revolutionizing the game of football as a small screen spectacle. Giving the game a technological makeover, Arledge planted remote microphones and hand-held cameras around the field and filled dull spots in the broadcast with prerecorded interviews and personality profiles, allowing armchair quarterbacks around the country to go where no couch potato had gone before.

In 1961, Arledge introduced the nation to "ABC's Wide World of Sports," a sports variety show that was as diverse in the spectrum of human emotion it showcased as it was in the smattering of under-published and often obscure sports it exposed to the public. The longest-running sports show in history, "Wide World" allowed fans to watch from home as stars like Wilma Rudolph, Muhammed Ali, Evil Knieval, Mark Spitz and Bobby Fischer hammered their way into the pages of sports lore.

In addition to his work on lesser-known sports, Arledge was at the helm of 10 different broadcasts of the biggest sports extravaganza in the world — the Olympics. As he had in football broadcasts and "Wide World," he gave the viewers a closer look at the personalities, the toils and the moments of ecstasy that mark the Olympic Games.

He described the appeal of sports as "the thrill of victory; the agony of defeat," a phrase that hung around "Wide World" for decades. Arledge had seen his share of thrills and more than his share of agony—he was there in 1972 to guide a shellshocked audience through the horror and disbelief of the Munich terrorist attacks.

It wasn't until 1970, though, that Arledge blessed the nation with a primetime show that would permanently change the face of ABC, Monday nights, television viewing and the entire sport of professional football.

"Monday Night Football" seemed destined to be a flop — pushing televised sports beyond the traditional boundary of the weekend was daring in itself, and the riskiness was magnified when Arledge decided to plunk the already-controversial Howard Cosell in the play-by-play booth and let him commentate on a loose rein.

With the benefit of hindsight, it isn't hard to see why the show took off like hula-hoops. It was flashy. It was a technological slap in the face. Sometimes it was even a little tasteless. What's not to like?

Courtesy of Reuters

John Madden (left) and Al Michaels (right) carry on the 'Monday Night Football" tradition that Roone Arledge established back in 1960.

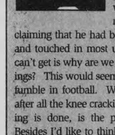
What set Arledge's spectacular show apart from any other sports program in history, however, was its ability to sensationalize the sport and, at the same time, revere and respect it. It never lost sight of football's core purpose and, as a result, has managed to maintain an enduring appeal.

Arledge changed football because he knew how to turn any broadcast into an armchair adventure for the average American, with innovative camera angles, stomach-jarring sound effects, painfully honest analysis and, of course, the invention that might have been his most earth-shaking brain-child—instant replay.

Thirty-two years after "Monday Night Football" burst into American pop culture with its plaster-haired yellow-blazered trio of Cosell, Frank Gifford and Don Meredith, it remains a staple of the United States sports diet.

When the show celebrated its 500th broadcast, there wasn't a tremendous amount of airtime afforded to the man who piloted its creation, but his impact resonated through every second of airtime. The 72-year-old Arledge couldn't be on hand for the contest because of health problems, but he can be assured that his presence was felt through every down of every series and every second in between.

Through every thrill and all the agony, Arledge's influence lingers on.



Scott Kloss
Senior Writer

Order in my court!

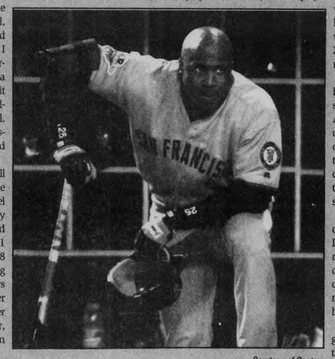
Opening remarks have begun in the Barry Bonds 73rd home run ball debate. Alex Popov alleges that he officially caught the ball, before being mobbed by a "mini-riot" and losing the ball. Feeling cheated, he sued Patrick Hayashi, the fan who ended up with the record breaking ball, claiming that he had been assaulted and robbed and touched in most unpleasant spots. What I can't get is why are we having all these trial hearings? This would seem rather trivial, similar to a fumble in football. Whoever comes up with it after all the knee cracking, poking and name calling is done, is the player that gets the ball. Besides I'd like to think that our civilian possession judges have more practical disputes to tend to.

Baseball wants to remind you that it's still around with its unveiling of its American League MVP (Drum roll please). The winner is Miguel Tejada from the Oakland Athletics. Tejada easily beat out Rangers shortstop Alex Rodriguez and Yankee second-baseman Alfonzo Soriano with 21 first place votes. "Mr. T" hit a career-high .308 with 34 homers and 131 RBI, while season-long favorite Rodriguez batted .300 with 57 homers and 142 RBI. In an era of hall-of-fame caliber shortstops, most analysts placed Tejada under Rodriguez, Nomar Garciaparra and Derek Jeter, but something caught the voters' eyes on Tuesday night.

"I don't think there can be anyone on earth more happy than I am right now," Tejada said. Indeed he is happy receiving a $100,000 bonus for winning, added to his $3.5 million salary. Pricewaterhouse Coopers has already begun its auditing of this luxury as you read this article.

I don't necessary support Rodriguez, but when you look at the numbers and importance to the team even I have a hard time seeing this one. Plain and simple, Rodriguez had no supporting cast and even his mind boggling numbers couldn't dig his team out of the depths of the division cellar. Even so, the goal in any professional sport is to do what it takes to assist the team in winning, so that should take precedence in the decision process. Echoing my thoughts, Ken Macha, promoted from Oakland's bench coach to manager said, "The person who helps you win the most games should be the MVP. The idea is to win games, not just put numbers up."

An obvious scarlet letter piercing from Rodriguez was playing on a non-contending team 31 games out of first place in the West division. So has a non-contending team player ever receive this prestigious award? I did some homework and dug up that the only time a player on a last-place team won the award was 1987, when Andre Dawson of the Cubs led the NL in homers and RBIs. Oakland will start the season with the AL MVP and Cy Young winner Barry Zito making the loss of Jason Giambi a distant memory.



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Barry Bonds' 73rd home run ball has garnered more than simple bickering. Alen Popov is suing Patrick Hayaski for assaulting him to obtain the ball.

The Decker Effect of the week goes to a hockey Dad from Canada. Micheal Croteau, sued the New Brunswick Amateur Hockey Association because it didn't award his 16-year-old son, Steven, the league's MVP award, despite leading the league in scoring. Instead the fourth-highest scorer took home this most coveted award. Stunned by the obvious injustice, Michael said "How do you justify that? My son is a hero."

While unwavering family love is important, don't they teach graceful losing to parents? Looks like his son is the mature one here. It's reports like this that make me want to sue my old high school basketball coach for keeping me on the bench during a state playoff game. I mean come on, my coach obviously was out of his mind.

Changing lanes to basketball, I'd like to give a shout out to the Dallas Mavericks and their franchise-best 7-0 start to the NBA season! Dallas, playing without injured Raef LeFrentz and Nick Van Axel, has not missed a beat, relying on their up-tempo, seat filling, "it's raining three's" style of play. Led by the "Flying Dutchman" Dirk Nowitzki, whose play earned him Western Conference Player of the Week for games between Nov. 4-10. Nowitzki averaged 21.8 points, 11.0 rebounds, 1.5 assists and 1.5 blocks during that span. Around the league, Gilbert Arenas, point guard for the Golden State Warriors and the revitalization of Toni Kukoc in Milwaukee have had impressive starts to the season and have made draft day signers in fantasy sports very respected. Also, have you seen Glenn Robinson with his new club The Hawks? It seems like a good fit with 22 points per game, 8 rebounds per game, and 4 assists have Atlanta fans singing Seether's "Fine Again."

Justin McCarthy
Senior Writer
(24-15)

NFL Predictions

Pittsburgh (5-3-1) at Tennessee (5-4)
These old AFC Central division rivals enter this game each unbeaten in their last four games. Maddox has been awesome for the Steelers. I ask, is it too early to call him the next Kurt Warner? After all, Warner was found in the arena league, Maddox in the XFL … I still don't know which I think is worse. Each team's defense is susceptible in the secondary, but with the Steelers possessing the superior passing game, look for Maddox to work his magic. Also, it will be interesting to see whether Bettis or Zereoue will be the starting running back. Zereoue has had back-to-back 100-yard games, which is one more than Bettis has had this season. Bettis did play in overtime last week and, after all, he is the starter. The XFL MVP will continue his unbeaten streak.

San Francisco (7-2) at San Diego (6-3)
It has reached the point in the season when we can actually spot potential Super Bowl matchups, and this California battle is surely one. The Niners and Chargers actually have rushed for the exact same number of yards and are tied for fifth in that category in the league. The Chargers possess the second-best rushing defense in the NFL, while the Niners defense is coming off a brilliant week. The Chargers have Tomlinson, the NFL's leading rusher, and I want to pick San Diego based on the stats, but the 49ers are more experienced and are playing better ball now.

New England (5-4) at Oakland (5-4)
There's nothing like a rematch of last season's playoff games, especially when one team loses on a really, really badly blown call. Both of these teams have had sustained winning and losing streaks this season already. Each depends upon a strong passing game; the Raiders rank first in that category while the Pats trail at fourth best. The Raiders have the better quarterback and running back and no one can stop Rice. Hopefully, the officials have gotten better and aren't from Boston. If so, Oakland wins.

Chicago (2-7) at St. Louis (4-5)
If the Rams continue to play as they have the past four weeks they will most likely become the first team ever to lose their first five games and still make the playoffs. Bulger has been so impressive that the Rams have decided to give Warner an extra week to heal his broken pinky. Bulger may be tested this week without Faulk, but it won't matter much because the Bears haven't won a game since their first loss earlier in the season. That trend won't stop this week.

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Aaron DeRosa
Sports Editor

The Mike Martz Manifesto

It had to be humiliating, skulking to the parking lot like a 14-year-old boy who just discovered he could tuck himself between his legs and walk around like a girl. Mike Martz, the St. Louis Rams' beleaguered head coach, offensive guru, ringmaster of the "greatest show on turf," Tsarina of disappointment and shogun of hubris, hit a low point somewhere around week four as the Kurt Warner-led Rams stumbled to a 0-4 record.

Last year's Super Bowl was hyped with the frenetic diligence of an ant colony servicing its queen as one of the biggest mismatches in recent history. Now this may not seem so grandiose, but I assure you, for Mike Martz whose offense sputtered like a Russian space expedition, the loss to the Patriots in the Super Bowl has to chafe like a wool brassiere.

The St. Louis Rams are regarded as the dynasty that ushered one millennium out and another in, yet in all that time they've held up the lofty sum of one Super Bowl trophy. Now I'm not suggesting the Rams are not a great team, but let us say that, at the very least, they have performance anxiety.

Now recently the NFL has become the ultimate bildungsroman, showing each year how long and how short the learning curve can really be. With everyone from Tom Brady to Kordell Stewart, Tommy Maddox to David Carr, football fans are given the ultimate tour of educational development in the United States.

And at the center of the current controversy lies a man, a cold, lonely and despondent man with an apple face, ruddy cheeks and a shock of gray hair. Mike Martz has been heavily criticized for depending almost entirely on his run-and-gun style offense, relying on Kurt Warner's arm to carry the team, hitting the same block that Bill Belichek and the world champion Patriots hit slightly later.

But when Kurt Warner went down with a broken pinky in week four, Marc Bulger, phenom extraordinaire stepped in and won his first four games, setting a franchise record for completions and coming in fourth in yards in a single game. Now with Kurt Warner a week away from taking the field, Mike Martz has a decision to make. Warner or Bulger? Martz seems to think there's no question. Martz isn't entertaining the notion of starting Bulger over Warner. That makes about as much sense as a xenophobic multiculturalist.

I say to you, Mike Martz … let the boy play. That's right, let the boy play. Let Warner sit for a few weeks and let's see how Bulger does. Where would the Patriots be if they sat Tom Brady? Where would the Steelers be if they sat Tommy Maddox? They'd be throwing empty beer bottles and hurling noxious epithets at the flat screen come playoff time as they run out of pretzel combos.

Let the boy play. Let him throw an interception and let him live and laugh and love. Let him grow jaundice and weary with the rigors of professional athletics. Let him grow a beard and let him watch Saturday morning cartoons with a bowl of Crispy Hexagons at the training compound. Let him weep and worry and wallow in every negative article written about his performance. Let him effuse and exalt and effervesce with the joy of every autograph he signs. Let him crash his jeep into trees and pull teammates from burning buildings. For the love of God, let the boy play.

Kurt Warner is doing about the only thing he can do, he's refusing to "get caught up" in the controversy, or lack thereof. Warner is the Green Knight to Bulger's Sir Gawain, waiting with a Damocletian sword for the bullock-befriending quarterback.

Bulger has said remarkably little on the subject, having the restraint of Plato after a Socrates brain fart makes 15 pages of dictation utterly incoherent. And what more is he supposed to do? Throw a hissy? I'd love to see Bulger send Martz a bouquet of dead roses or place Post-its with uncomfortable statements all over his office, or send him an e-mail showing one of those mapquest.com aerial photographs of Martz's home with a message saying, "I'm watching you."

I'm not saying that Warner doesn't deserve the job or that he hasn't earned it, but what's wrong with sticking with what works until it does not work anymore? Warner only got the job because Trent Green was injured. The next year, Green bolted for the Kansas City Chiefs. I say let the boy play.

And while we're on the subject of roles, what's up with referring to players by their jobs before they became athletes? Tommy Maddox, the former insurance salesman, Todd Pratt, the former pizza delivery man, Kurt Warner the former grocery bagger … Does anyone care? Does that mean if I ever become a professional writer they'll say, "Aaron DeRosa, former string instrument repairman, wrote a stunning pantoum this evening." How about we get a handle on the résumé listings and stick to the basics, OK? His name is X, his current position on the team is Q. Let's stop asking Y and leave it B. Thank U.

Let's just suffice it to say that if Warner comes back in a week and the Rams lose their playoff spot because of Martz's bituminous decision, I think it's high time they sent him packing because his hubris is getting ridiculous and Warner should understand that. It's not about who gets the start, it's about the Super Bowl ring. Biedsoe knew that well enough and he rode the pine and got his ring. Maybe the bell has tolled for Warner, at least in St. Louis.

Of course, he'd always be a welcomed addition to the editorial staff of a small Pennsylvania liberal arts college's weekly campus newspaper. Then he'd be a former grocery bagger and newspaper editor. Now who wouldn't hire a quarterback with credentials like that?

TRIVIA
By Justin McCarthy

1. Who is the only three-time N.L. Manager of the year?

2. How many single digit games has Michael Jordan had in his career?

3. Who holds the NFL record for the most consecutive games rushing for over 150 yards?

1. Dusty Baker; 2. Eight; 3. Marshall Faulk, three times over weeks 6-9 in 2002

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Sports

Men's soccer sets win record

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Adam Wilcox—The Bucknellian

The men's soccer team broke the most-wiins-in-a-season record with their 13th win over Army.

The guys work rate in practices and games was always 100 percent and the chemistry was unbreakable," Nash said. "As for the future, we need to find a way to create more chances. Once this happens I feel we can be the top team in the Patriot League."

The Bison broke the most-wins-in-a-season record with their 13th win over Army. Bucknell set a new standard for next year's team.

"I feel it now gives us a standard to measure up to each season. I think the whole program would sacrifice the record for a spot in the Patriot League playoffs, so it really has not hit them [that they beat the school's record]," Nash said. "I think when they look back in three months or three years, they will realize they were part of a very special team."

It seems as if Elliot Maruffi-Cowley '03 has not taken his career for granted.

"Soccer has enriched my life in countless ways. Most of all it provided me with an opportunity to meet my closest friends here and the guys that will be there my whole life—maybe even my wedding. It has been a true privilege and joy to play with some amazing players and more importantly great people."

The team said goodbye to five seniors this year. They will never be forgotten because these young men helped build the program into what it has become.

"They [the seniors] mean a lot to me personally and basically changed the program around. When I recruited them we were coming off a Bucknell record for losses in a season," Nash said. "For them to win the last game of their careers and get in the record book is a perfect ending to their careers."

The 2002 season has come to a close. The next step is to look ahead and work towards next fall.

"The future of this program is looking very promising. Our team should do very well for the next couple of years," Mike Lookingland '05 said. "We have a lot of people coming back and we know we are going to attract some top recruits after this great season we had. We deserve some recognition, and it's only a matter of time before we start getting respect from everyone."

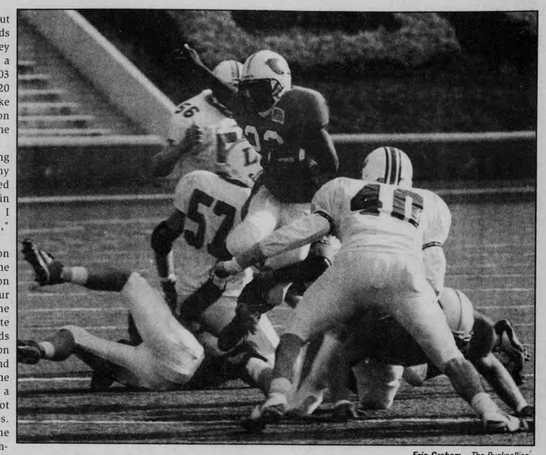
Football falls 19-3 to Lafayette

FOOTBALL From Page B1

down the field, but 16 plays, 74 yards and 8:17 later, they had to settle for a Chris Lundberg '03 field goal from 20 yards out to make the score 6-3 on the first play of the second quarter.

"I like having the ball in my hands. I played quarterback in high school, but I like the slash role," Wilson said.

The Bison could not keep the momentum on their side. Four plays into the ensuing Lafayette drive, the Leopards were going for it on fourth down, and were awarded the first down on a questionable spot by the referees. Following the fourth down conversion, the Leopards marched down the field, and capped off their 12-play, 75-yard scoring drive with a 9-yard touchdown run. The extra point attempt was blocked by Billy Windle '03 to leave the score at 12-3 with 9:57 remaining in the first half.



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Runningback Blamah Sarnor '06 (above) had seven carries for 37 yards in the game against Lafayette. As a freshman Sarnor has really stepped up this year and has been a vital part of the team.

The Bison offense continued to struggle while the Leopard offense was moving the ball well again two possessions later. On a first and goal play from the Bucknell 1 yard line, Joe Massey '03 forced a Leopard fumble, but it was recovered by Lafayette. On the next play, the Leopards connected on a 3-yard touchdown pass to make the score 19-3.

On the next Lafayette possession Windle picked off a Leopard pass and returned it 26 yards to the Lafayette 29-yard line, but the Bison could not capitalize on the takeaway, and went into the locker room trailing 19-3.

The Bison offense came out of the half looking promising. After converting a fourth down play at the Lafayette 26-yard line, the Bison moved the ball into the red zone. But, they had to settle for a Lundberg field goal attempt from 29 yards out, which sailed wide left.

After the Bison defense forced the Leopards to go three plays and out, the Bucknell offense had good field position, starting the drive at the Lafayette 39-yard line. Ciesnolevicz was intercepted on the Lafayette 5-yard line to stop the Bison threat.

Both defenses controlled the remainder of the game with neither offense able to get anything going in the fourth quarter, and the Bison lost their fifth-straight game 19-3. Wilson earned player of the game honors after helping to give the Bison offense a different look.

"We wanted to get Daris the ball more often. We are looking for the hot hand and trying to work from there," Head Coach Dave Kotulski said.

While the Bison offense was sputtering, the Leopard defense was putting on one of its better performances of the season.

"Our defense has been the heart and soul of this team," Lafayette Head Coach Frank Tavani said.

The Leopard defense was enough to stall the Bison.

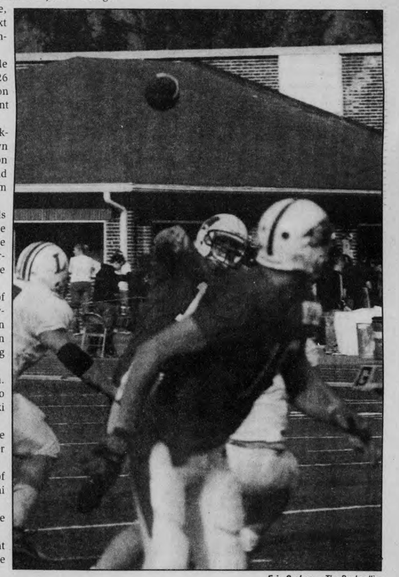
"We had some momentum going at different times, but when you have plays that lose yardage it makes it tough," Kotulski said.

The Bison are looking to play the spoiler in the Patriot League over the next two weeks.

"Wins would help us in the off-season. I don't want this losing attitude to carry over to the off-season," Wilson said.

"I look at the kids and still see them fighting. The biggest thing is that we have to fight. You can never accept losing," Kotulski said.

Bucknell will look to turn things around Saturday at Lehigh.



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Quarterback's Cole Ciesnolevicz '03 and Todd Wenrich '05 combined for 116 total passing yards in the LLlafayette game.

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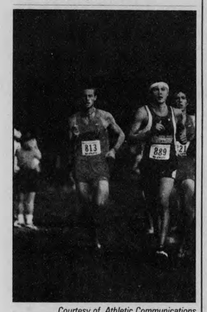

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According to Head Coach Kevin Donner Johnston is "one of the toughest runners on our team."

look at the region, Bryan is right in the mix for the individual spots; however, it is going to be tough. It has got to be his day if he wants to go, and I very well think it may be," Costello said.

"Over the past year and a half, Bryan has worked himself to be in position to qualify for the NCAA championships," Donner said.

The men's and women's cross country teams will travel to Davis, W. Va., this Saturday for the Mid-Atlantic Regional. Both teams are currently ranked in the top 10 in the region and will be looking to improve upon their rankings and qualify at least one individual to the national meet.

V-BALL

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added 10 digs to help lead the Orange and Blue to victory.

The Bison started the match with Carolyn Dougherty '05 in the important libero position, and Anderson finished the match. Dougherty captured six digs and Anderson captured 11 to help the Bison defensive effort.

After the victory on Friday night the women returned on Saturday, only to be defeated by the Black Knights of Army in three games. The games came down to the final few points, but unfortunately the Bison were unable to come out with the win.

The Black Knights captured a close 30-27 victory in the first game, and grabbed a decisive 30-17 victory in the second.

After the intermission the Bison fought back, with the lead going back and forth throughout the course of the match, but unfortunately fell short, losing 33-31.

"Our team was disappointed with the loss," Anderson said. "We didn't play as a team, we played as individuals and we definitely learned the hard way. "You have to play volleyball as a unit one and if you don't, you will suffer the consequences like we did against Army."

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—Chelsea Anderson '06

Ghiz recorded 19 kills for the Bison, while Breean Trapasso and Anderson each added 14 digs to the Bison effort. Breean Trapasso also added 29 assists, but the Black Knight offense proved to be too much for the Orange and Blue.

Bucknell completed the Homecoming Weekend with a 14-12 overall record and 8-5 Patriot League record.

The Bison will finish their regular season play on Saturday, Nov. 16 in Davis Gymnasium, when they host Patriot League opponent Colgate at 7 p.m. This game determines the Bison's playoff future so come down and support Bucknell Volleyball.

HOCKEY

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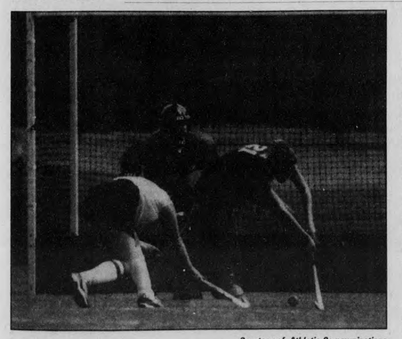

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The field hockey team lost to No. 1 seed Lafayette last week.

the game.

"Making it to the Patriot League Tournament was the primary goal we set for ourselves starting on Aug. 14. Being able to go back this year was an amazing accomplishment and a huge credit to the amount of work put in this season." Amy Marvel '03 said. "We had to play Lafayette, the No. 1 seed and the tournament host. We knew how good they were and had a specific game plan to slow them down. They are an outstanding team and deserve all of the success that they have accumulated this season. It was an extremely tough game, but I was proud of Bucknell's fight the entire 70 minutes and the class we showed not only in this game but throughout the season."

Goalkeeper Sonja Wettergreen '03 recorded six saves for the game, while Lafayette had four stops. Bucknell had seven shots on goal, and the Leopards had 21.

On Nov. 6, four Bucknell teammates were named to the All-Patriot League field hockey team. Forward Meiko Boynton '05 and defender Kate Ruda '04 made the Patriot League first team. Also to be commended was midfielder Marvel and defender Lindsey Gentel '04, who received second team citations.

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—Amy Marvel '03

"All I can really say is that it is a great honor to be named first team All-Patriot League and that it is nice to be recognized even though I am a defensive player and I am obviously not the one scoring the goals," Ruda said.

"I was very happy to have four players named All-Patriot League and all four were first-time honorees. It's a wonderful reward for Amy Marvel to end her career with All-Patriot League recognition and for Kate Ruda, Meiko Boynton and Lindsey Gentel it raises the bar for them next season. And, I think we have a few more players who are capable of garnering such recognition next season," Lewis said.

The team ended their season with a final record of 7-12.

"Regarding this senior class—Kelly Burrows, Amy Marvel, Sonja Wettergreen—they have made significant contributions to this program over four years and I'm grateful for all they have given," Lewis said. "While they will be missed by their teammates and coaches, they have left a lasting impression and that's a tribute to them. I wish them nothing but success in the future as they have represented Bucknell well the past four seasons."

Lewis is proud of the team's accomplishments.

"I think it's a tremendous accomplishment for such a young team to reach the Patriot League Tournament as one of the top four teams in the league. Obviously, that is our goal every season and I was proud of this team's effort to manage so much adversity throughout the season and still be one of the top four," Lewis said. "I think the weekend was great exposure for our young kids in terms of what it actually takes to be a Patriot League champion. We can only build on this experience and work to get a bit better for next year."

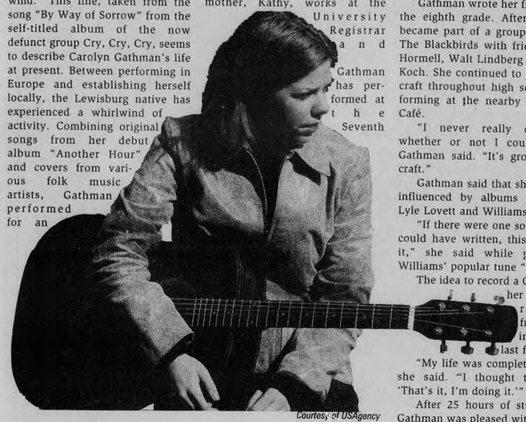
Arts & Entertainment

Gathman sings unique program

Lewisburg native performs songs from her debut CD

By Kristi Johnston
A&E Editor

"You've been taken by the wind." This line, taken from the song "By Way of Sorrow" from the self-titled album of the now defunct group Cry, Cry, Cry, seems to describe Carolyn Gathman's life at present. Between performing in Europe and establishing herself locally, the Lewisburg native has experienced a whirlwind of activity. Combining original songs from her debut album "Another Hour" and covers from various folk music artists, Gathman performed for an enthusiastic crowd at the Seventh Street Café last Friday night.



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Carolyn Gathman performed at the Seventh Street Café last Friday night. Gathman's style has been compared to Dar Williams and Sarah McLachlan.

Gathman's sound has been compared to that of Dar Williams, an artist who has truly inspired her. She combines light, flowing melodies and provocative lyrics to provide a truly expressive and rich musical showcase.

She recently had the opportunity to perform in various bars and pubs throughout the United Kingdom.

She also did some busking (playing in a public place for donations) while there.

Gathman, currently a Susquehanna University student, has ties to the University. Her mother, Kathy, works at the University Registrar and Gathman has performed at the Seventh Street Café in the past.

Last weekend, Gathman performed several original works from "Another Hour," including "Remains of a Stranger" and "The Easiest Thing." She also played covers by some of her favorite artists, including Williams, Jennifer Knapp and Sarah McLachlan.

"I like [her style] because it is similar to McLachlan's," Carolyn Pacala '05 said. "It's quiet, passionate and insightful."

Gathman has been singing for many years and learned to play the guitar to accommodate her talent.

"It's a lot handier than toting around a piano," she said.

Gathman wrote her first song in the eighth grade. After that, she became part of a group known as The Blackbirds with friends Sarah Hormell, Walt Lindberg and Penny Koch. She continued to perfect her craft throughout high school, performing at the nearby My House Café.

"I never really questioned whether or not I could do it," Gathman said. "It's grown into a craft."

Gathman said that she has been influenced by albums from both Lyle Lovett and Williams.

"If there were one song I wish I could have written, this would be it," she said while performing Williams' popular tune "Iowa."

The idea to record a CD came to her after she returned from studying abroad last fall.

"My life was completely open," she said. "I thought to myself, 'That's it, I'm doing it.'"

After 25 hours of studio time, Gathman was pleased with the final product. "Another Hour" is available in the Bookstore.

"'Another Hour' was written as a remedy for my own impatience," Gathman said of the song for which the album was named. "I was waiting for someone to pick me up and made up a story about it."

Though she's made a name for herself in the local area, Gathman does not have immediate plans to go on tour.

"My plan for the future is to finish college," she said. "If I were to put [music] first, that wouldn't happen. Eventually, it will be a big part of what I do, even if it's not all of what I do."

"Punch Drunk Love" is intoxicating Sandler showcase

By Melissa Farrar
Senior Writer

"Punch Drunk Love," written and directed by Paul Thomas Anderson ("Boogie Nights," "Magnolia") is a dazzlingly odd but enjoyable spectacle. Though it lacks the complexity of the large ensemble casts common to Anderson's other works, "Punch Drunk Love" delivers a satisfying plot and character-driven tale.

Barry Egan (Adam Sandler) is a socially inept salesman for a California toilet plunger business. In an impressive turn, Sandler maintains his usual childlike voice and mannerisms, but with true purpose. Egan is a pathetic character with deeply hidden rage and sadness. Sandler aptly expresses this inner turmoil through subtle facial contortions and soft mumbles.

Egan has seven loud sisters who constantly overwhelm him with phone calls and ridicule his odd behavior. He expresses his frustration by smashing things or randomly bursting into tears. He spends his free time reading the fine print on contest labels and discovers an oversight that would allow him to rack up over one million miles' worth of air travel with the purchase of $3,000 worth of Healthy Choice pudding.

On a particularly lonely night, Egan calls a phone sex operator, who senses his vulnerability and attempts to blackmail him. A sleazy mattress salesman from Utah (Phillip Seymour Hoffman) owns the phone sex business and sends some thugs to California to beat Egan up. Frightened and angry, Egan desperately looks for a way out.

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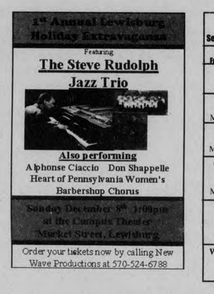
3.5/5

Many of Egan's moments of panic are hard for the viewer to decipher. Are we supposed to laugh or feel sorry for him? Either way, the misunderstood protagonist solicits our full attention.

Egan forgets his troubles when he meets Lena (Emily Watson), a quirky, sweet woman who works with one of his sisters. A series of awkward but tender moments ensues between the two. Egan goes berserk on their first date and vandalizes a bathroom, but Lena still finds him charming. Soon after, he tracks her down in Hawaii where she is on a business trip. His attempt to put his frequent flyer miles toward the trip fails, but he realizes that he has fallen for Lena.

Although the love story is simple, Anderson never allows it to become predictable. The pair is a perfect mismatch that just somehow fits. The camera visuals add to their chemistry, with a number of close-up shots and strange, colorful transitions. Though the film fails to fully develop Lena's character, Watson's performance gives us the illusion that there is perhaps something more to her.

Lena gives Egan a reason to let go of his anger and unhappiness and ultimately stand up for himself. Though not a flawless film, "Punch Drunk Love" is unique and purely entertaining.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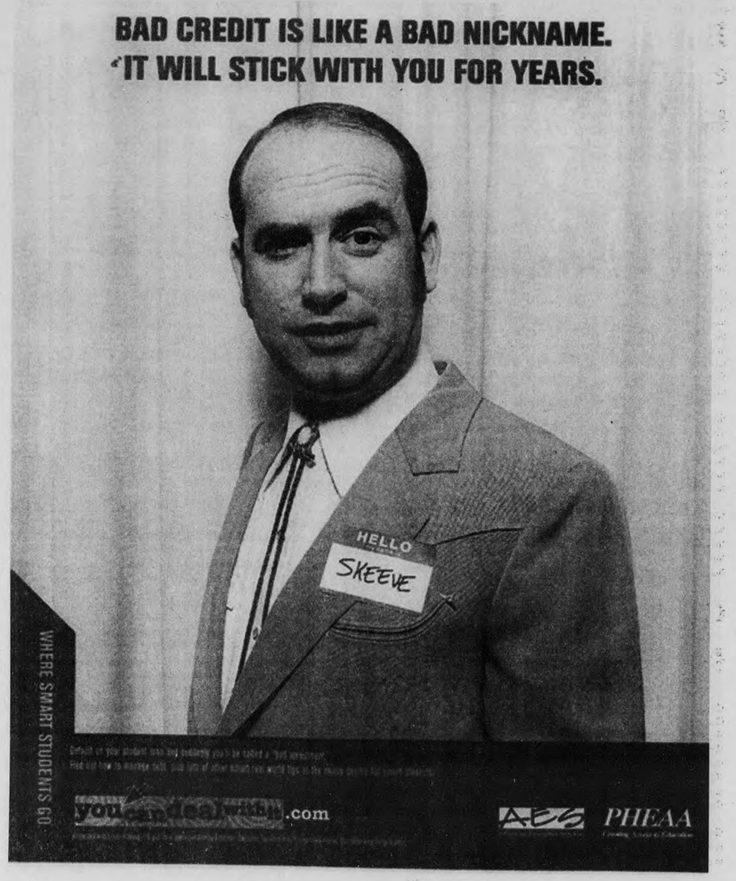


Arts & Entertainment

Silhouettes blend solos and harmony

All-female a capella group welcomes Johns Hopkins All-Nighters to its concert

By David Allen
Staff Writer

Katie Kohn—The Bucknellian

Molly Campbell '03 performs a solo during the Silhouettes' performance. The group gave a concert last Saturday in Bucknell Hall as part of the Homecoming Weekend festivities.

The Silhouettes, the University's all-female a capella group, performed two sets of songs bracketed by the All-Nighters, an all-male a capella group from Johns Hopkins University, last Saturday night.The group has traditionally prided themselves on providing its listeners with a blend of harmony and stand-out solos.

The first set by the Silhouettes consisted of four songs, blending the voices of all 13 group members and using vocalized percussion .

The group's first song, LeAnn Rimes' "Can't Fight the Moonlight," was driven by this vocal percussion in support of soloist Kim Hallman '04. The Silhouettes' cover of Lifehouse's "Breathing" featured more understated beats and was held aloft by dramatic shifts from minor to major chords.

During Deanna Carter's "We Danced Anyway," a soprano counterline in the chorus provided the background to the solo. The group balanced the ensemble against soloist Leanne Meriton '05 during U2's "Still Haven't Found What I'm Looking For," a song that has not traditionally been sung by a female voice.

The Silhouettes then welcomed their guests to the stage. The group from Johns Hopkins generated a very big sound for only nine performers and sang with energy and expression. Despite a few errors with the lyrics of its opening song, Green Day's "Longview," the group captured the audience's attention with mimed drumming as it delivered its vocal percussion parts.

The All-Nighters' set was made up of rock and alternative songs from the 1990s, with the exception of Simon and Garfunkel's "Scarborough Fair." Their rendition of this classic song was faithful to the original. There was also a handbell-like effect of call and response between the soloist and the supporting voices.

Other strong and interesting spots in the All-Nighters' set included the use of different syllables and shifts in tempo of the Goo Goo Dolls' "Name," vocalizing the guitar solo of Weezer's "Island in the Sun" and the abrupt starts and stops of Dispatch's "The General."

After the show, Allison Hoffmann '05 praised the amount of energy and movement that the All-Nighters put into their performance. The All-Nighters left the stage to enthusiastic applause and handed the show back over to their hosts.

The first song the Silhouettes sang upon returning, Billy Joel's "And So It Goes," featured neither a soloist nor vocal percussion. The group surrounded the audience rather than standing on stage as they sang, and the harmonies and resolution of suspended chords could be heard shifting from one side of the group to the other.

The group returned to the stage for the remainder of its performance. Its first four songs all exhibited balance between soloist and group, particularly during Mariah Carey's "Always Be My Baby" and the Dixie Chicks' "Cowboy, Take Me Away."

The group's rendition of Guster's "Demons" infused the subdued original with a gospel-style energy. Its creative approach was evident in the vocal impersonation of the song's guitar introduction, mid-song guitar break and hand drumming.

For their last song, Rod Stewart's "Drift Away," the Silhouettes invited alumni in attendance to come on stage with them. This song was propelled by a soulful, spiritual element.

Gray's new CD expresses emotion

By Leah Cunningham
Staff Writer

Emerging from the darkness, Englishman David Gray makes headway with his newly released album "A New Day at Midnight." Still centrally based on the pains of love, loss and grief from his last hit album, "White Ladder," Gray dramatically emphasizes the estranged illusion of melancholy lyrics and soft, rhythmic music that eludes his previously released songs. "A New Day at Midnight" is a rebirth of both Gray's intensity and his lulling style.

Within the music world, Gray has been a ghost for the past four years as "White Ladder" went double platinum in the United States, while album sales topped 2.2 million in the United Kingdom.

Conventional is a word that hardly assesses Gray's talent, as the dramatic tone of his music keeps his work lingering and admirable. Gray attributes the general tone of his songs to his father's death and his own losses of love throughout life.

This record is serious, with a solemn yet passionate overtone. From its opener, "Dead in the Water," the listener is confronted by a lonesome atmosphere with a sense of hope. Consistent throughout the album is a mellow denominator, which expresses the message of every song. "Caroline" most specifically resembles Gray's style as recalled in "White Ladder's" hit, "Babylon."

From Gray's poetic album title "A New Day at Midnight" to the wonder stemming from his more ambivalent lyrics throughout each song, Gray continues to have a knack for mystery. The songs yield the same enigma as Coldplay's album "Parachute," in that you cannot avoid playing the songs over and over again, making subtle attempts to find the meanings of Gray's metaphors and incorporated stories.

As a whole, "A New Day at Midnight" is inspirational. It is one of those albums that provokes a certain mood and draws emotion through Gray's mix of fervent choruses and emotional lyrics.

"Be Mine" is an exhausted, love-stricken song with sparks of an anticipated vision of hope, and "The Other Side" concludes the album with a proposal about grief and understanding, perhaps about death, love or both. These ballads, along with "Easy Way to Cry," are where Gray takes the stage and shows that he has saved his most moving songs for a powerful conclusion.

CD Review

A general sense of wonder throughout the entire album leaves you relaxed with a level of comfort. Intimacy and profound lyrics parallel the themes of change, loss, love and grief portrayed not only in "A New Day at Midnight," but also in "White Ladder." Gray has no limit and no threshold for conformity, but rather embodies his music with literal and musical meaning. "A New Day at Midnight" is bound to be as successful if not more so than "White Ladder," as Gray uses his talents to produce an exceptional album, one that is deeper and darker than he has ever put forth.

Eminem brings the struggles of his early life to the screen in "8-Mile"

By Ken Holroyd
Staff Writer

A man is in the bathroom of what appears to be a locker room in a hooded sweatshirt and headphones, bouncing back and forth as if getting ready for a prize fight. When he walks out on stage, he is not fighting, but battling in a freestyle rap competition based on how well you can insult your opponent in 45 seconds.

In his movie "8 Mile," Director Curtis Hanson shows us a screenwriter's adaptation of an Eminem interview. The controversial rapper tells of the conditions he lived in while growing up. As the film is loosely based on his own life, Eminem was cast in the lead role of Jimmy "B. Rabbit" Smith Jr.

Smith is an aspiring rapper living in the area around 8 Mile Rd. in Detroit. The movie opens with a rap battle, which he loses horribly. Over the next week, Smith has to deal with a low-end job at an automobile factory, gang wars, racial tension and family issues.

He has recently left his girlfriend, who says she is pregnant, and in doing so left her his car and the apartment that they shared. He now has to move back into the mobile home community where his mother and his very young sister live.

When he gets there, he walks in on his mother (Kim Basinger) having sex with one of his former classmates. A fight ensues that wakes up his sister. We learn that Smith treats his sister much like a remarkably loving father, a complete reversal from the rage of emotions he displays only seconds before. This is most likely a representation of Eminem's attitude toward his own daughter.

Movie Review
4/5

Like those around him, Smith desperately wants to rise above his social status, but he seems to be the only one whose goals are remotely realistic. One friend pressures him about his connections, while another says the only way out is through the battles.

Meanwhile, Smith is pressing bumpers to earn money for studio time to record a demo. He works on his lyrics, but proves that he is also quite adept at improvisation. His only problem to overcome is stage fright. He seems to be the only person who truly thinks about the way the world works and how he can make his own mark on it.

Eminem's performance is nothing short of astonishing. Granted, the character is autobiographical, so he should have had an easy time assuming the role, but his emotional responses to various situations, such as his mother complaining about her sex life, appear to be very real. The camera work is very reminiscent of a "Rocky" film, and the underdog storyline is very much like "Finding Forrester."

This film is about race and class issues in the slums of Detroit. One young man must fight against daunting odds to make his way into circles that don't want him, and with a less than supportive base to work from. In order to accomplish this, he must come to terms with where he comes from, what goes on in his relationships and what he must do to succeed in the world.

The film is very realistic and the character has many personal faults, but that does not stop the viewer from hoping that he will succeed. An incredibly in-your-face film, it holds up well against the skepticism of Eminem that anyone might previously hold.

Chorale and orchestra concert enjoyable

By Meghan Ball
Writer

Last Sunday afternoon, both the University Concert Chorale and the Chamber Orchestra took the stage at the Weis Center for a Homecoming Weekend concert. The performance included "Deep Sleep" by Bill Douglas , "Quatre Motests Sur Thèmes Grégoriens" and, "Requiem, Op. 9," both by Maurice Duruflé.

The chorale began with "Deep Sleep," a slow, moving song that set the tone for the rest of the concert. The audience sat back in its seats to listen to a long, melodic performance.

"I thought the performance was very different from most chorale performances I've been to in the past," Monica McMurrer '06 said. "It was very soothing. The mix of the chorus and the accompaniment was flawless. At times, it was a little long-winded, but overall, it was very enjoyable."

For "Requiem, Op. 9," the chamber orchestra joined the chorale to produce a beautiful and strong piece.

"I was rather impressed with the performance as a whole," Kristen Hughes '06 said. "It exceeded my expectations. I thought the strings were a lovely addition to the voices."

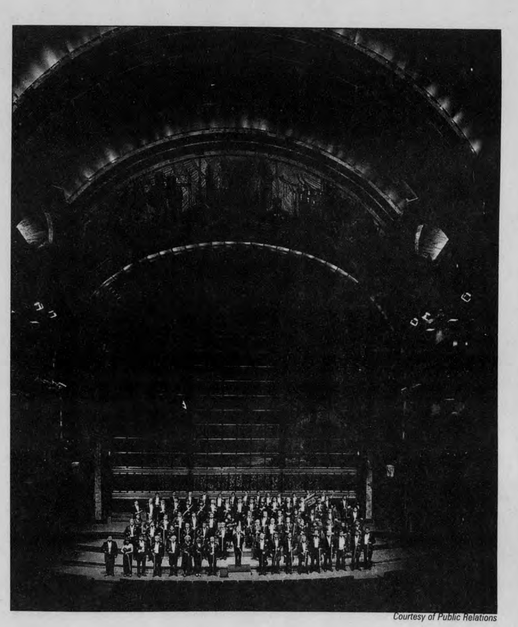
In addition, two soloists joined the song—Faculty Assistant Martha Gibbs Hill and Todd Griffith, an alumnus of the chorale.

"The soloists both had amazingly powerful voices. I enjoyed watching the emotion [Griffith] put into his songs," Tiffany Stout '06 said.

The performers seemed satisfied with their work as a whole. They appeared to be pleased with the warm applause that followed the final piece.

"Overall I was really happy with the performance," Emily Serrotta '06 said. "I think it was a good representation of how we sounded in rehearsal."

Mexican Orchestra Performs



Courtesy of Public Relations

The Orquesta Sinfónica Nacional de México performed at the Weis Center last Saturday. Enrique Arturo Diemecke conducted the program, "Danza de las Americas."

FEATURES

Peak performance: climbing Mount Kilimanjaro

By Ashley Maliken
Staff Writer

Mountain climbing has become a popular extreme sport of our era. People love the challenge of facing the tallest natural structures known to man and conquering them with only raw talent and willpower. Rarely do these individuals undertake such a physically and mentally grueling task without proper experience and training. Shamik Chande '03 did just that last summer when he climbed Mount Kilimanjaro, located in the northernmost point of Tanzania. He had never done any real mountain climbing before, aside from some simple hiking excursions, yet he decided to climb one of the tallest peaks in the world.

One of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World, Mount Kilimanjaro is the tallest free-standing mountain in the world and the highest point on the African continent. A national park of Tanzania, the mountain is 19,340 feet high with its climates ranging from a tropical rain forest at the first level to a freezing desert at the peak.

Hikers can choose from the eight trails up the mountain, ranging in level of difficulty, and for as little as $500, can attempt to reach the top. That price is all inclusive, covering the required guide, food and housing at each stopping point, as well as porters to carry your equipment through the duration of the trip. Chances are slim that such adventurous individuals will be successful in their endeavors; even with top-rate equipment and training, only 7 percent of those who try ever reach the ice-capped summit known as Uhuru Peak.

When Chande decided to climb Mount Kilimanjaro last summer, it was a complete spur of the moment decision. His uncle had reached the summit 40 years earlier, and since then all members of his family who tried, including his father, had been unsuccessful in their quest for the peak. After completing a spring session abroad in Europe, Chande headed to Africa. July is the winter month in the Southern Hemisphere, so the climbing weather was ideal—it was not the rainy season, snow at the top would not hinder his trek and the temperature would be neither too hot nor too cold.

Packing up his "equipment," consisting only of his uncle's hiking boots from 40 years earlier, Chande hired a guide and was assigned to a group with three other men. The route they selected, Marangu, was an easier five-day journey that offered the luxury of huts to sleep in at each resting point. Chande began his trip around 10 a.m. on the first day, reaching Gilman's Point by 4 p.m.

"Nothing beat the view there. On one side the mountain looked like a glacier, and the other side looked like the craters of the moon," Chande said.

After resting overnight in the tropical climate of the first peak, the group began the second day. The second night was spent in a savannah-like climate among the clouds. At that elevation, the air begins to thin out, and breathing becomes more of a task. The rest of his party decided to take an extra day to acclimate, but Chande braved ahead despite his lack of proper preparation.

"Normally people train for six months [to get ready for the change in altitude]. I only trained for two weeks after leaving England. But the longer you rest the harder it is to get going again, so I decided not to wait," Chande said.

Adjusting to the altitude is very important when climbing because the side effects are enough to turn any hiker around early. Symptoms include nausea, headaches and breathlessness; drinking at least four liters of water a day is a good way to combat such ill effects. The temperature can also take its toll on the body. At the higher elevations, the nights get colder with the daytime weather remaining rather temperate.

The third day was the roughest of the trip; there was hardly any time to rest. Chande, his guide and the porters climbed to the third resting point, arriving around 3 p.m., and rested for only a few hours. The climb to the peak has to be made at night, so that the terrain is frozen and there is no threat of ice or snow falling. At midnight they left the last hut and began the final ascent to the top. Only Chande and his guide went, leaving the porters at camp. They climbed through the night and reached the peak at 8:30 a.m. on the fourth day.

"Nothing beat the view from the top. On one side you could see Kenya, on the other side another mountain range, and the planes that flew overhead were so close," Chande said.

Though they only remained at the top for about 10 minutes, Chande took the time to call a few friends and his parents on his cell phone, which was still surprisingly functional, to tell them of his accomplishment.

"I never expected to get to the top. I had no proper gear and only one roll of film," Chande said.

The trip down proved to be rougher than anticipated, as Chande's boots were not adequate for the trip, causing his toes to take quite a beating. He later learned that his uncle had been carried down after his successful journey to the top, so his boots had never been properly broken in. In addition to a few broken toe nails, he also had severe sunburn that cost him a layer of skin from his face. As a result of drinking nearly frozen water for two days, Chande also had strep throat. He feels the trip was completely worth the minor harms he suffered.

"It is inspiration. Pure willpower got me to the top, and when you achieve such heights nothing else is beyond you," Chande said.

As a constant reminder of his adventure, Chande keeps a photo of himself at the summit next to his desk at all times.

Next year, he plans to make the trip again, this time taking a few close friends along so they can also experience the natural beauty and pure inspiration this world has to offer.

Courtesy of Shamik Chande

A clear view of Mount Kilimanjaro, one of the Seven Wonders of the World. Located in Tanzania, there are eight trails that climbers can follow to the top.

Courtesy of Shamik Chande

Chande standing at the top of Mount Kilimanjaro. Last summer Chande climbed all 19,340 feet of the mountain, following in the footsteps of his uncle who reached the top 40 years prior.

"It is inspiration. Pure willpower got me to the top, and when you achieve such heights, nothing else is beyond you."
—Shamik Chande '03

Sigma Chi hosts dance at Lewisburg Middle School

By Elisabeth Hulette
Writer

Chaos ensued at Lewisburg Middle School last Friday evening as sixth-, seventh- and eighth-graders gleefully sprinted through the halls, dressed to the nines in their best jeans, sneakers and glitter body gel. While the school's energy level may have been high enough to merit a small riot, the situation was thankfully a much happier one—Sigma Chi was hosting a school dance.

As part of the University's community service requirement for fraternities and sororities, Sigma Chi organized the dance to benefit the Lewisburg Listening Post (LPP), an organization that works with peer mediation at Lewisburg Middle School and at the Linntown School next door. Sigma Chi became involved with the LPP partially through Director of Student Health Dr. Donald Stechschulte, its University adviser. His wife, Cathy, serves as one of the group's coordinators.

"[LLP] places a focus on primary prevention, helping kids by providing an extra listening ear," Cathy Stechschulte said.

Several of the brothers also work as Near Peers, older students who interact with the kids during lunch and after classes in the LLP office at each school. Some of the Near Peers also tutor the students in their academics. According to Cathy Stechschulte, the fourth- through eighth-grade students have been responding well to the program since it was first instated in 1978.

Sigma Chi President R.J. Grant '03 said the brothers chose to run the dance because it posed a much more interesting opportunity than the other community service events that are usually offered to Greeks. The fraternity provided chaperones, hired the disc jockey and sold tickets at the middle school for $3, directing the proceeds to the LLP.

It is not surprising that even with all the work that went into planning the event, the kids seemed far too wrapped up in having fun to notice who was sponsoring their dance and why. The boys seemed to find a safe haven in the gym, which had been set up with basketball equipment. The majority of their female counterparts congregated in the cafeteria, where the disc jockey spun tunes from disco and "YMCA" to Avril Lavigne's "Sk8er Boi" and Destiny's Child. The 25 Sigma Chi brothers in attendance lurked in the corners of both areas and monitored the hallways as the kids zoomed their way between rooms.

If you think kids have changed so much in recent times, this dance just might give you evidence to the contrary. The girls are still braiding their hair just like so many of us once did, the boys still think it's cool to wear their baseball caps backward and they still decorate the cafeteria with the traditional crepe-paper-and-balloon motif. On the dance floor the girls giggle to each other more than they dance, looking around the room as the boys stand shyly by the wall. Occasionally a whole group of kids will run across the room to mob the disc jockey to request a song.

If this sounds familiar enough to be your first junior high dance, isn't it nice to know some things never change? Sigma Chi, by donating the dance's profits to LPP, has not only provided the students with a traditional school dance experience, but also a place to be heard.

Eric Graham—*The Bucknellian*

A student steps up to Sigma Chi Fraternity chaperones and pays his $3 for a night of fun. Twenty-five brothers helped out at the charity event.

Eric Graham—*The Bucknellian*

Lewisburg Middle School students bust a move to the disc jockey's tunes. Sigma Chi organized the dance to benefit the Lewisburg Listening Post [LPP], a peer mediation organization, last Friday night.

Alum's bright idea: LightWedge

By Caitlin McKee
Staff Writer

Does your roommate turn off all the lights and go to sleep while you're still awake and trying to read? Well, good news. Your problem is solved and you can thank Jamey Bennett '90 for creating the solution. Bennett's creation is called the LightWedge.

"The LightWedge is a transparent, lighted pane of optical acrylic material that you lay flat on the page of a book. It delivers bright, white light evenly across the whole page without spilling any light into the room you are in. It's perfect for when you need to read and your roommate wants to sleep," Bennett said.

Bennett's brilliant idea for the LightWedge came from an unsuspecting source, a beer sign.

"The idea for LightWedge came from a plastic Schaeffer Beer sign. It had a logo etched in a sheet of plexiglass. When one edge was lighted, just the logo lit up—not the whole piece of plexiglass. I figured you could get the whole sheet of plexiglass to glow if you made it in the shape of a wedge instead of a flat sheet."

Bennett put his idea to the test and was surprisingly pleased with the results.

"I bought a hunk of plexiglass and sawed it into a wedge shape in my garage. I polished it up and, to my amazement, it worked," Bennett said.

The LightWedge has come a long way from Bennett's garage. Big name stores, including Barnes & Noble and Borders, carry the LightWedge. The product is flying off the shelves.

"It hit the shelf in every Barnes & Noble store on Aug. 1, just a few months ago. It is doing very well there, and at Borders and many other retailers," Bennett said.

According to Bennett, he knew his product was a success when a buyer from Barnes and Noble instantly responded to his LightWedge prototype.

"Before I invested a lot of money into design and manufacturing last year, I went to see the guy who runs all of the Barnes & Noble stores," Bennett said. "When I turned off the lights and switched on my prototype, he just said 'Ahh.' Then he picked up the phone and called Barnes & Noble's senior buyer and told her she needed to come to his office and see what he was seeing. They loved it."

Everyone seems to love the LightWedge. Bucknellians in the business world have expressed their love for the product through financial support.

"LightWedge's list of investors includes no less than six Bucknellians, ranging in vintage from the class of 1954 to the class of 1990. A Bucknellian helped me get the LightWedge onto the QVC," Bennett said.

Bennett also supports fellow Bucknellians in his own business practice.

"I try to do business with Bucknellians whenever I can. I invested in a company started by a Bucknellian, and I serve on its board of directors. I plan to hire a University intern next summer," Bennett said.

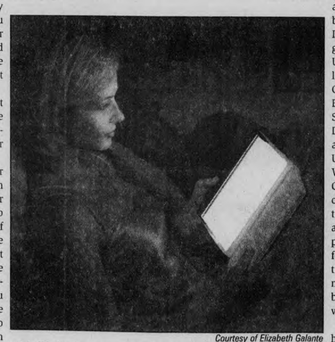
The support Bennett gives to Bucknellians stems from his appreciation for the University.

"I think Bucknell gave me a great foundation. Critical thinking, writing communication, collaboration and leadership are all skills my time at Bucknell helped me to develop whether I knew it at the time or not," Bennett said.

The skills Bennett learned from the University have guided him along a very successful business career. Immediately after graduating from the University, Bennett landed a job with the Center for Entrepreneurial Studies and Development, an affiliate of West Virginia University (WVU). While working at the Center, Bennett helped companies develop their businesses. He also managed to start a publishing operation for WVU. This operation marked the beginning of Bennett's long business relationship with publishing.

His business work has helped to re-engineer the direct marketing process of publishing. In 1994, Bennett drafted a business plan for a project called Book Wire. Book Wire has evolved into a clearinghouse of information for the entire book publishing industry. While busy working on Book Wire, Bennett spent his free time creating a business plan for LendingTree.com. Bennett extensively involves himself in the business world, because he finds it very gratifying.

"I love convincing people to do something new, then making money from it. It is very gratifying to see thousands or millions of people using the product or service you invented and knowing you are making a buck or two on every sale," Bennett said.



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LightWedge is a new excuse to stay up late doing work without disturbing your roommate. LightWedge is an pane of optical acrylic material that evenly lights up pages.

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University faces budget discrepancy

By Elisabeth Salemme
Staff Writer

The University is suffering from discrepancies in the budget this year, University President Steffen Rogers said at the November faculty meeting.

"It is normal to have the budget out of balance at this time of year. What is unique about this year as compared to previous years is the fact that we used to look at new expenses we would be unable to fund, and right now we are looking at what existing expenses we would be unable to fund," Rogers said.

According to Rogers, the imbalance in the budget has come about for a variety of reasons.

"A lot of things have coalesced at the same time, including the market problems. The good news is that we have a good-sized endowment,

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Wagner elected mayor by Borough Council

Judy Wagner sworn in Tuesday evening replacing late, longtime Lewisburg Mayor Lewis Hendricks Jr.

By Rachel Laskow
Editor-in-Chief

Judy Wagner made history on Tuesday night when the Borough Council elected her as the first female mayor of Lewisburg. The council voted 5-1 in favor of Wagner, who is assuming the position of mayor after the death of Lewis Hendricks Jr. on Nov. 7.

"I am very happy to have the opportunity and I am happy my colleagues supported me," Wagner said.

Wagner served approximately seven years on council as a Ward 3 representative and was vice president. Because mayor is a part time job, Wagner will continue to work as a guidance counselor at Linntown Elementary School.

Borough Council President John Baker has known Wagner as a neighbor, council member and now as mayor, and he is pleased with the council's choice.

"It is a positive move and she will do a good job for everyone. It's a win-win-win all the way around," Baker said.

Borough Manager David Clouser believes that Wagner will be a wonderful mayor because of the great qualities she has, such as getting out and meeting people.

"She tries to be a bridge between different factions of the community and is looking for civility within the community and the council itself," Clouser said.

As mayor, Wagner wants to reach out to all segments of the community to deal with issues such as the budget, housing and drug-related incidents.

"We all have to work together to make the borough a safe place," Wagner said.

Wagner also hopes to further the goals of the borough and keep the pulse of the community alive.

"I believe in win-win situations. You only get there if you sit down and talk to people," Wagner said.

One group of people that Wagner feels is an important part of the community is University students. She plans to work with the task force to maintain and improve town-gown relations.

"My whole agenda is to improve civility

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Courtesy of the Borough Council

Wagner is sworn in by District Justice Leo Armbruster after being elected mayor by the Borough Council on Tuesday evening. Wagner will replace Lewis Hendricks Jr., who passed away two weeks ago after holding the position for 30 years. She is believed to be the first female mayor of Lewisburg.

Delta Gamma Sorority hosted a wing-eating contest at the Lewisburg Hotel on Market Street Wednesday evening. Proceeds from the contest will be donated to the Million Penny Project.

Eric Graham—*The Bucknellian*

Freedom of speech debates plague universities nationwide

By Alyson Walker
Features Editor

Recently, two universities have been grappling with freedom of speech issues. Harvard University's student newspaper, *Harbus*, printed a cartoon negatively depicting the university's computer system, creating an uproar of protest from administration, and resulting in the resignation of *Harbus*' editor-in-chief. On the other end of the spectrum, West Virginia University (WVU) dropped its policy that limited free speech zones to certain outdoor areas.

According to CNN.com, the Harvard incident occurred after computer difficulties altered students' interview schedules for corporate recruiting sessions. The cartoon was published in *Harbus* and showed a career services Web site bombarded with error messages. One of the errors mentioned "incompetent morons."

Two student editors were informed by the director of the MBA program that the cartoon was "disrespectful" and were chastised for publishing it. Editor-in-Chief Nick Wills resigned, telling *The Boston Globe* it was because of "personal intimidation and threats" by Harvard officials.

The officials state that there was no intention to stifle free speech—just to uphold the "community standards" code. The cartoon violated this campus code because it insulted employees of the career services program.

"If it weren't for those two words, nothing would have been said or done to the students," MBA Chairperson Carl Kester said, according to *The*

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Campus Theatre encourages exploration of society and cultures

Venue hosts U.S. premiere of "Divine Intervention"; first screening of controversial "Bowling for Columbine" today

By Jennifer Jenchura
Senior Writer

The Campus Theatre hosted the U.S. premiere of the 2002 Cannes Film Festival Jury Prize Winner film, "Divine Intervention," directed by Elia Suleiman, on Tuesday evening.

Located on Market Street in downtown Lewisburg, the Campus Theatre debuted the film as part of Middle Eastern Film Festival, a six-day festival of Middle Eastern films that were shown from Nov. 15-21. The film festival was a joint effort among the University, Susquehanna University, Campus Theatre and the Degenstein Foundation, a Sunbury foundation that generously supports arts and education. The festival featured films from Iran, Israel, Afghanistan and Palestine.

Originally, Suleiman's film "Chronicle of a Disappearance" was scheduled to be shown. The Campus Theatre was able to acquire the director's newest and critically acclaimed film "Divine Intervention" in its place after the studio behind "Chronicle of a Disappearance" revealed the earlier film would be unavailable due to damages.

Campus Theatre owner and University Professor of English Eric Faden credits Mary Bannon, the theater's director, with bringing the film to Lewisburg.

"The thanks go to the tireless efforts of Mary Bannon. She had originally brought that film to my attention since it won the Grand Jury Prize at this year's Cannes Film Festival. Unfortunately, we realized that it would not be available until January," Faden said.

"Divine Intervention" was not scheduled to be released in the United States until Jan. 17, 2003, but due to the circumstances, "Divine Intervention" distributor Avatar Films invited the Campus Theatre to hold an exclusive screening before the film opens in New York at the Angelika Film Center next year.

"Since we desperately needed a film, the studio for 'Divine Intervention' decided, after some skillful negotiation on our part, to release 'Divine Intervention' to us for the festival," Faden said.

Preparations for this festival began last August. Because "Divine Intervention" was not being released until January, the theatre did not originally consider asking the studio for the film. "We decided it was worth a shot to try after we realized last Friday we could not get 'Chronicle of a Disappearance,'" Bannon said. "Because the premiere of 'Divine Intervention' is on short notice, there is no red carpet. However, we did advertise at both Susquehanna and Bucknell. So far the films in this festival have done as well as any other independent film."

The University Middle Eastern Association (MEA) helped with advertising the film on campus through posters, word of mouth and by giving away free tickets in the Langone Center.

Nora Abdullah '03 coordinated the promotions.

"I was more than thrilled, but frankly quite shocked, to see the arrival of this film festival here in Lewisburg. It's a wonderful opportunity for the Bucknell and Lewisburg community to learn about the Middle East, and I really hope that they are taking advantage of it," Abdullah said.

Faden introduced the film before it began.

The film involves a love story that takes place between two Palestinians—a man living in Jerusalem and a woman living in Ramallah. The man, played by Suleiman, shifts between his ailing father and his love life, trying to keep both alive. Utilizing breathtaking special effects and animation, "Divine Intervention" shows the dreams and

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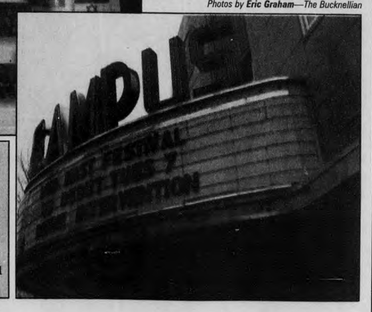
"Bowling for Columbine"
Comedy
Rated R
Now Showing at the Campus Theatre

Photos by Eric Graham—*The Bucknellian*



The Campus Theatre, owned and operated by Assistant Professor of English Eric Faden, hosted a Middle Eastern Film Festival this week, premiering the film "Divine Intervention," directed by Elia Suleiman. Starting today, the theatre will be showing the film "Bowling for Columbine," directed by Michael Moore.

By Michelle Dombeck
Arts and Entertainment Editor

"Bowling for Columbine," a new Michael Moore film, opens tonight in the Campus Theatre. This movie, a humorous, yet thoughtful documentary, attempts to answer questions about guns and violence in America.

Assistant Professor of English Eric Faden owns the Campus Theatre. When he first saw the movie, he was very impressed by it.

"I saw it a few weeks ago and thought it was brilliant, thought-provoking and hysterically funny," Faden said. "This film will entertain people, but it will also make people think—and that's something really rare in contemporary American cinema."

Although this movie deals with American violence, it examines the issue in an amusing manner.

"I think it tries to approach the issue of violence from a really honest perspective. Essentially, the director, Michael Moore ['Roger and Me'], asks, 'Why is America so violent?' and then, often humorously, tries to find an answer by interviewing everyone from Charlton Heston [the NRA spokesman], to survivors of the Columbine shooting, to Matt Stone of "South Park" [who graduated from Columbine High School]," Faden said.

Instead of simply providing an answer to this issue, the film forces the audience to deal with the problem.

"The simple 'sound bite' explanations for our violent society—video games, Marilyn Manson, sex and violence in American cinema, access to guns, etc.—are critically examined in a profound way," Faden said. "The film is very comfortable in saying that there is no easy answer. Rather than try to provide a simple answer, it's more interested in getting people to think critically about the issue themselves."

The movie explores the broader issue of American violence, but its title stems from the fact that only a few hours before the 1999 Columbine High School

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News

Public Safety Log

Wednesday, Nov. 13

INFORMATION—Public Safety responded to the Dana parking lot for the report of a student vehicle stuck in the mud and spraying debris on two employee vehicles. A garage was contacted to tow the student vehicle. There was no damage to the employees' cars.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed the wiper blades and spit on his vehicle while parked at Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity parking lot. East Buffalo Township Police Department was notified. The incident is under investigation.

UNAUTHORIZED ENTRY / TRESPASSING—An , employee reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) had entered his unlocked vehicle while it was parked on campus. Nothing was taken from the vehicle. No witnesses or suspects were located.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student contacted Public Safety and requested transportation to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for an appointment with a physician. A Student Health Services driver transported the individual, who later returned to campus.

ASSIST POLICE—Public Safety responded to Moore Avenue for traffic control while East Buffalo Township Police Department conducted a vehicle stop on Route 15 in connection with a robbery at Bison Beverage earlier in the evening. No one from the University was related to this incident.

Thursday, Nov. 14

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) broke a window at Kress Hall. The incident is under investigation.

UNDERAGE DRINKING / PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS—Public Safety responded to Vedder Hall for the report of an ill student. Upon arrival, Public Safety met a student who admitted to consuming alcohol although under the age of 21. The individual was cited for underage consumption and public drunkenness.

DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE—While on routine patrol, Public Safety noticed a minivan in the ditch along River Road, across from the Power House. Upon investigation, it was determined that the driver was an intoxicated student. The student was arrested by East Buffalo Township Police Department for driving under the influence and leaving the scene of an accident. The student was transported to Evangelical Community Hospital for blood alcohol testing.

UNDERAGE DRINKING / PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS—Public Safety responded to Roberts Hall for the report of an unconscious male. Upon investigation, it was determined that the intoxicated male was a student under the age of 21 years. Emergency Medical Service was dispatched, but the student refused medical treatment and signed a release form. Lewisburg Police Department responded. Citations for underage drinking and public drunkenness were issued.

HAZARDOUS MATERIAL SPILL—Public Safety responded to Millers Run at the Seventh St. Café for the report of a possible fuel spill in the water. Safety personnel responded and absorbent pads were placed in the water to collect approximately one gallon of urethane floor sealer that leaked into the stream. The spill site was properly cleaned and restored.

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—Public Safety responded to a fire alarm at Vedder Hall caused by unknown person(s) activating a pull station for no reason. No witnesses or suspects could be located in a search of the building. The incident is under investigation.

Friday, Nov. 15

THEFT—An employee reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed parts from two Dell computers in Larison Hall. The incident is under investigation.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—A student reported to Public Safety that a Bucknellian editor was found tampering with the Public Safety Log in order to thank an amazing person: Thank you Rachel. You have been truly great to work with and will always be remembered as a wonderful editor-in-chief. But you'll probably never find this blurb since you'll give up after 45 seconds.

HARASSMENT BY COMMUNICATION—A student reported to Public Safety that she received threatening phone calls from an ex-boyfriend in her Mod. East Buffalo Township Police Department responded to the scene. The incident is under investigation.

Saturday Nov. 16

ACT 64 // DRUG VIOLATION—While on routine patrol, a group from the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity stopped Public Safety and reported two males causing a disturbance. Upon investigation, Public Safety observed a male throw an object on the ground which was identified as a glass marijuana pipe. The male was identified as a visitor. Lewisburg Police Department cited him for possession of marijuana, drug paraphernalia and underage consumption. He was escorted off campus.

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—Public Safety responded to three fire alarms at Swartz Hall that were all caused by unknown person(s) activating pull stations for no reason. No witnesses or suspects could be located in a search of the building. The incident is under investigation.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—Public Safety responded to Edward's House for the report of graffiti in the entrance. The incident is under investigation.

ACT 64 / DRUG VIOLATION—Public Safety responded to McDonnell Hall for the report of the odor of marijuana. Upon investigation, Public Safety could detect no odor and the report was determined to be unfounded.

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—Public Safety responded to a fire alarm at Swartz Hall caused by unknown person(s) activating a pull station. No witnesses or suspects could be located in a search of the area. The incident is under investigation.

Sunday, Nov. 17

MISSING PERSON—A student reported to Public Safety that her roommate had not been seen since early in the morning and had failed to keep two appointments that day. University officials and East Buffalo Township Police Department were notified.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—A student reported to Public Safety that an unknown male was smashing and denting vehicles with a baseball bat in the Mod parking lot. Upon arrival, Public Safety conducted a search of the area and was unable to locate the suspect. Upon investigation, it was determined that seven vehicles had sustained damage. All vehicle owners were notified. East Buffalo Township Police Department responded. The incident is under investigation. The student was eventually located.

THEFT / CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—An employee reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed a hand truck and a furniture dolly from two outside vendors unlocked vehicles that were parked at the Fieldhouse. The items were later recovered in the Mod parking lot. East Buffalo Township Police Department responded. The incident is under investigation.

INFORMATION—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed a pair of tennis shoes from an unlocked first aid room at the Athletic Complex. The incident is under investigation.

INFORMATION / BROKEN WINDOW—Public Safety responded to Swartz Hall for the report of a broken window pane. No witnesses or suspects could be located in a search of the area.

Monday, Nov. 18

MISSING PROPERTY—A student reported to Public Safety that he could not locate his wallet after walking from Vedder Hall to the Fieldhouse. Lost and found was also notified.

Tuesday, Nov. 19

MISSING PROPERTY—An employee reported two five-gallon water bottles and two cases of paper missing from Taylor Hall. No witnesses or suspects could be located.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—A student reported to Public Safety that his vehicle was dented while parked on Fraternity Road. The incident is under investigation.

ACT 64 / DRUG VIOLATION—Public Safety responded to Roberts Hall for the report of the odor of marijuana. Upon investigation, the report was determined to be unfounded.

Chi Omega hosts Walk-for-a-Wish

By Jaclyn Carr
Staff Writer

There is a 12-year-old girl named Amanda in Mifflinburg who has acute lymphocytic leukemia and has a wish to go to Hawaii. Chi Omega and its national philanthropy, the Make-A-Wish Foundation, hope to grant this wish by hosting their first annual Walk-for-a-Wish program in the Gerhard Fieldhouse on Sunday from 1-4 p.m.

Organizations and individuals will walk a mile around the track and be asked to pledge money that will hopefully give Amanda her wish.

The Make-A-Wish Foundation grants the wishes of children affected with life-threatening illnesses throughout the world. With the generosity of private donors and more than 20,000 volunteers worldwide, the foundation has been able to grant 97,000 wishes around the world since its inception in 1980.

There are 80 chapters in the United States and its territories and 22 international affiliates, making the Make-A-Wish Foundation the largest wish-granting organization in the world.

The Mideastern Pennsylvania chapter located in Pottsville, which the Walk-a-Wish proceeds will benefit, began in 1985 and has granted 450 wishes in its 17-year history. It now anticipates fulfilling 59 wishes annually. The chapter becomes aware of a child's wish through wish referrals, which can be made by a parent, legal guardian or medical professional.

The goal of the foundation is to provide the wish-child and family with a lifetime memory, without concern for costs. The average cost of granting a wish with the Pennsylvania chapter is $4,400, and the support of Chi Omega and other co-sponsors could be enough to achieve this goal.

"I think the walk will be a big success and I am looking forward to seeing lots of support through the week and on Sunday," Chi Omega Director of Community Service Loren Cohen '03 said.

Amanda might even make a special appearance at the event.

"I spoke with Amanda's mother and she said she will try to make it pending on how she is feeling. Cross your fingers that she is up to the event," said Marisa Campanici, special events coordinator at the Make-A-Wish Pennsylvania chapter.

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but the bad news is that it's subject to going up and down with the market," Rogers said.

Rogers said that when he arrived at the University, the endowment was approximately $441 million, and at the end of September this year it was about $306 million.

Rogers said the difficulties with fundraising have posed a problem for the University budget.

"When we're trying to get donations, people are also watching their portfolios disintegrate. People are not in the same position financially as they were," Rogers said.

Rogers recently spent time on Wall Street and spoke with many people regarding the market.

"I talked to a number of people and their point was, Wall Street doesn't like uncertainty and we don't know at this point if we're going to go to war with Iraq, and that's a big issue," Rogers said. "People are still concerned with whatever scandal might pop up like Enron, and this big concern about earnings and purchasing. This uncertainty goes into trying to raise money."

Rogers said another reason for the unbalance is the fact that many new expenses have come in at one time, including the budgets for the four new buildings, and possibly a new engineering building.

"There is no new money and the budgets are going down instead of going up and we have to find a new way to cover the costs of those buildings," Rogers said.

In addition, Rogers said the cost of insurance keeps going up at a rapid rate.

"When you put all of these [factors] together, and other little things—and when I say little, I mean $100,000 here and $200,000 there—it all adds up. We want to keep tuition rates reasonable and we want to give raises to our faculty and staff that at least cover inflation," Rogers said. "You put all of that together and you get a budget that is, on one side heavily personnel, so it's not like you can maneuver within the budget very much because we have people making salaries. On the other side you are trying to keep the expenses reasonable. The other way is fundraising and we know the parents are looking at their portfolios as well, so we don't want to raise tuition drastically."

Rogers said that the end result is that the administration is going to have to take a careful look at the bottom line for next year.

"We are going to have to make some adjustments, some where we haven't even started to think about. We don't know what the adjustments will be yet because we're not quite sure what the size of the problem is at this point, but it is going to be significant," Rogers said.

The administration must present a balanced budget to the Board of Trustees at their April meeting.

According to Rogers, the administration will meet with the Board of Trustees this weekend to learn more about where the budget presently stands and what viable options for fixing the problems will be.

"It's also a guessing game," Rogers said. "No one really has a clue what the market is going to be like. If the market was to recover in the next two or three years, that could single-handedly wipe out any budgetary difficulties that we are experiencing right now."

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Boston Globe. "There was just a very palpable sense that this had damaged the feelings of people working very hard on behalf of students."

The editors of *Harbus* claim that the cartoon was critical of the computer system and not a personal attack on personnel.

Last Friday, Dean of Harvard Business School Kim B. Clark sent a message to the campus community regarding freedom of speech and the *Harbus* cartoon.

"[Harvard Business School is] committed to principles of free expression and inquiry ... each of us first and foremost is a member of the Harvard Business School community, and as such, we are expected to treat each other respectfully," Clark said, according to CNN.com.

Students have had a different reaction to the situation.

"The message the school sent to Nick Wili was pretty threatening," said Jennifer Taylor, a second-year student and member of a board reviewing the case, according to CNN.com. "This is denying the community a voice to express its frustrations."

At WVU, students regained their right to freedom of speech when a policy limiting freedom of speech to certain zones was lifted last week. The ordinance restricted student protests to approximately seven areas that make up 5 percent of the university, which is comprised of 23,000 students. Many outdoor arenas were not included in these zones.

WVU was under pressure of litigation from the Rutherford Institute of Charlottesville, Va., which argued that the free speech zones were a violation of student's freedom of speech. The Board of Governors dropped the policy last Friday, and the Rutherford Institute claimed victory.

"We will continue to monitor the situation on campus for positive signs that the school intends to follow through with the revised policy," Rutherford Institute President John W. Whitehead said, according to CNN.com.

The policy would not allow students to protest corporate recruiters outside of the business school. It was first documented in 1995 in the student handbook, but was rarely enforced.

WVU President David Hardesty told CNN.com that a policy is needed to keep order on campus.

Only one prohibition remains. Students cannot protest within eight feet of another student without his or her consent near the student health service buildings.

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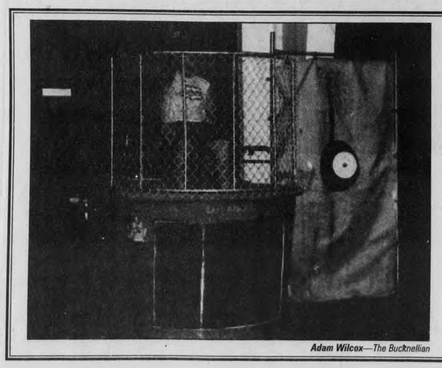
within the community," Wagner said.

If the University decides to move students back on campus, Wagner says she is happy to work with the University to facilitate the process. If the University decides against it, she wants to work to improve the neighborhoods.

"I am happy to work in a positive way to get the neighborhoods back on their feet, in terms of appearance and behavior," Wagner said.

Wagner chaired the police committee for seven years and hopes to continue the positive relationship that Hendricks had with the Police Department.

Since Wagner is now mayor, her Ward 3 Council seat is vacant. Anyone interested in serving the position should submit a letter to the Borough offices at 55 S. 5th St.



Adam Wilcox—*The Bucknellian*

A Bucknell Student Government representative goes in the dunk tank at last Saturday's BU After Dark.

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News

World Briefs

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Coalition planes hit Iraqi targets

WASHINGTON—Coalition planes patrolling the southern no-fly zone over Iraq struck three military targets Wednesday in response to attacks by Iraqi forces, according to U.S. Central Command officials. Four U.S. Air Force, four Navy and four British fighters targeted Iraqi military communications sites with 20 precision guided weapons, U.S. officials said.

New York considers floating homeless shelters

NEW YORK—New York City officials flew to the Bahamas Wednesday morning in Mayor Michael Bloomberg's private jet to assess the possibility of using retired pleasure cruise ships docked there as homeless shelters. The "fact-finding mission" was a preliminary step by the Department of Homeless Services in determining the feasibility of the idea, and the department was not likely to decide anytime soon whether the city's homeless will be docked in the river, spokesman Jim Anderson said.

Guerrillas blow up Indian railway station

NEW DELHI, India—Armed guerrillas stormed a railway station in southern India, ordering the staff to leave before blowing it up, police said. There were no injuries. It's the second attack on public transportation in the region since Monday, when a land mine blew up under a bus, killing at least 14 people.

Bush warns Saddam about lies

PRAGUE, Czech Republic—A day after Iraq said it would meet next month's deadline for disclosing information about banned weapons, U.S. President George W. Bush warned that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein should be truthful. "Should he again deny that this arsenal exists, he will have entered his final stage with a lie," the president told students in the Czech capital before a NATO summit.

Moussaoui tied to Sept. 11 plot

Ramzi Binalshibh, an alleged coordinator of the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks now in U.S. custody, has linked accused conspirator Zacarias Moussaoui to the suspected mastermind of the terror strikes on New York and Washington. He revealed that Moussaoui met with Khalid Sheik Mohammed in Afghanistan in the winter of 2000, according to sources familiar with the interrogation.

FedEx to raise delivery rates

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—Following a recent UPS price hike, FedEx Corp., the parent of the world's largest express-delivery company, said Wednesday it will raise delivery rates as much as 3.9 percent, starting Jan. 6.

New Tower planned at Ground Zero

NEW YORK—The developer who holds the World Trade Center lease on Wednesday unveiled plans for a new, 52-story skyscraper near where the twin towers once stood, the first office building destroyed in the Sept. 11 attacks to be rebuilt.

Delta Air unveils plan for low-cost carrier

Delta Air Lines Inc. announced Wednesday it is creating a new low-cost subsidiary airline in an effort to fend off other low-cost carriers that have been dipping into market share. The move is yet one more attempt by the big airlines to get into the discount carrier business.

Vaccine could wipe out cervical cancer

Early testing shows an experimental vaccine to be 100 percent effective against the virus that causes cervical cancer, raising doctors' hopes of someday sending the lethal disease into retreat in the same way as smallpox and polio.

New oil slick forms above tanker

LA CORUNA, Spain—A new oil slick has formed near the wreck of the sunken vessel Prestige, threatening Spain's northwest coast with further ecological disaster a week after the tanker first got into difficulty, officials said. About 10,000 tons of the 70,000-ton cargo had leaked from the tanker after it was first damaged last Wednesday but before it split in two and sank on Tuesday, when it spilled a further 10,000 tons.

Rabbi may face death penalty

FREEHOLD, New Jersey—A former New Jersey rabbi now faces the death penalty after he was found guilty on all counts Wednesday of hiring a hit man to carry out the murder of his wife of 28 years.

Bail doubled for man accused of selling fake IDs to 9/11 hijackers

PATERSON, New Jersey—Bail was doubled for Mohamed el-Atriss, a man accused of providing phony IDs to two of the Sept. 11 hijackers after he was hit with an additional racketeering charge, based on secret evidence the defense was not allowed to hear. El-Atriss already faced 26 counts, including conspiracy, racketeering and manufacturing and distributing phony documents, before the racketeering count—which stems from allegations that he was running an organized criminal enterprise—was filed.

Editor-in-chief reflects on past year

By Rachel Laskow
Editor-in-Chief

Around this time last year, I had to make one of the most difficult decisions of my life: study abroad in Spain or stay at Bucknell and be editor-in-chief of *The Bucknellian*. I spent weeks listening to advice from friends and family, but most importantly from my predecessor, Pete Van Emburgh '02. He told me that being editor-in-chief was the most rewarding experience of his life. I decided to stay at Bucknell, and while I can't say that going abroad would not have been rewarding, I can now look back at the past year and say Pete was right; being editor-in-chief has been the most rewarding experience of my life.

Perhaps what has made my experience so rewarding is the challenges I've had to face and the means in which I overcame them. The biggest challenge for me was trying to find that delicate balance between providing news to the campus community, pleasing campus organizations and not serving as a PR publication. Throughout the past year, I've learned that every time we decided to cover, or not to cover, a story, we were impacting the campus community. If we chose to run a story, we also had to determine the best manner to present the information. On the other hand, if we chose not to write an article about a particular event, would we not be fulfilling our duty as a newspaper? Making these decisions was not always easy, but in the end, I knew that if I did what was best for the paper, I was doing the right thing.

As I look back at my term as editor-in-chief, I can truly say I am proud of the decisions our staff made and *The Bucknellian* would not be as successful without the staff constantly striving to cover important and controversial stories. I feel privileged to have been part of a paper that has covered the Sept. 11 attacks, the blackface incident, town-gown relations, merit aid, the living wage and more. More importantly, I feel privileged to be part of a paper that has not been afraid to take a firm stance regarding free speech, role of the Bucknell Student Government and diversity on campus.

I honestly believe that it is our continuous ability to produce a paper each week filled with interesting, well-balanced and unique stories that has garnered us respect throughout the campus community, and even the country. At the summer 2002 Associated Collegiate Press conference, *The Bucknellian* received first place in the best of show contest among the weekly newspapers. The paper was also awarded a silver medal from the Columbia Scholastic Press Association. Although those national awards are important to me, the positive feedback I receive from the University community means more to me than any national award because it allows me to realize that we are serving and pleasing our primary audience.

The awards and positive feedback prove that *The Bucknellian* has reached new heights, and that it will continue to reach new heights in the years to come. As the paper has grown over the past year, so have I. I've learned that I could not let the pressure of deadlines, late hours in the office, huge gaps on pages, missing pictures and staff conflicts stop me from putting out the best paper that I possibly could. With every problem, I had to find a solution.

Sandi-Jo Galati—The Bucknellian

***Bucknellian* Editor-in-Chief Rachel Laskow '03 proofreads the newspaper before final corrections are made. Laskow will step down as chief editor after this issue. She wishes to thank previous editors and current staff members for their support.**

These solutions would not have been possible without the dedication of the Editorial Board, writers, photographers, copy editors and business department. I feel honored to have worked with such an amazing staff. Jolene Hart '03, Laura Day '03, Maureen Oscadal '03 and Jim Leahy '03 all served as valuable assets in their position as managing editors and I thank them for their devotion. *The Daily Item*, especially Tim Switzer, has been so patient while working with us and has helped us to improve our printing quality. I would also like to thank the *Bucknellian* Advisory Board for its constant support. During the past year I have realized that the campus community, especially the administration, is truly what makes Bucknell so unique and without all of its cooperation, we would not have been able to cover the stories that we have been.

Most of all, I would like to thank our adviser Jim Lee for guiding me and for his continuous advice about articles, staff conflicts and the newspaper in general. Even after they graduated, former Editor-in-Chief Brian Watson '01 and Pete have acted as my mentors, role models and friends. Without them encouraging me every step of the way, from business and politics layout editor to news layout editor to associate editor and finally to editor-in-chief, I would not be where I am today.

Last, but certainly not least, I would like to thank Jason Rubinstein '04. His constant enthusiasm, immense pride, continuous strive for excellence and incredible patience have made him the perfect associate editor and I could not have dreamed of a more talented and dedicated person to be my co-worker. The paper's success is largely due to Jason's ambition and I can only imagine how he will continue to seek improvements during his term as editor-in-chief.

On the night I was elected as editor-in-chief, Pete wrote to me, "You are at the brink of a humongous change in your life, and I hope you realize this. In one year from today, you will look back and reflect on the personal growth that you will undoubtedly undergo." Again, Pete was right.

Although being editor-in-chief has been the most challenging role I've ever played, it has taught me more about myself and life in general than *I ever could have imagined.*

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shooting, the assailants, Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold, went bowling.

"Moore doesn't claim to see any connection between the innocent pastime and the subsequent killing spree," Joe Leydon said in *The Enquirer*. "(And to make sure we know he appreciates the magnitude of the tragedy, he gives us a jolting peek at videotapes of Harris and Klebold during their rampage.)"

Despite this controversial peek, some feel that the movie's humor will hopefully encourage more people to watch it, and therefore think about American violence.

"If, through humor, the movie can raise the question in more people's minds of why violence happens in America, I think it will have value," Katy Vertigan '05 said.

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nightmares of both the Palestinian and Israeli people living in violent and uncertain times.

The theater usually hosts two to three film festivals per year, but fewer premieres.

"Although the Campus Theatre also hosted the U.S. premiere of the film 'Sunburn' last spring, it is difficult to get nationwide movie premieres at the Theatre because filmmakers want to premiere in big cities," Bannon said.

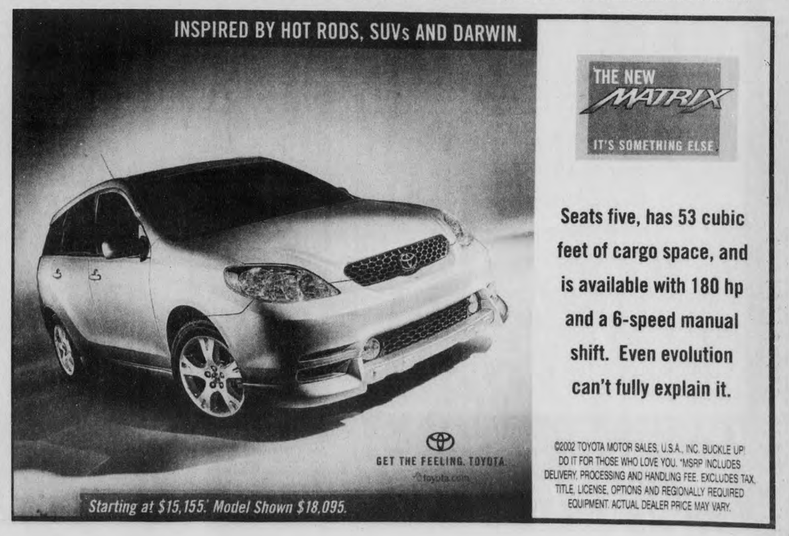
Students appreciated the opportunity to view a film presenting a different cultural perspective.

"[The festival] is a great chance for students and the local residents to appreciate movies from different cultures and backgrounds in terms of religion and location. I am from Saudi Arabia, a neighbor of Iran, and I haven't seen any Iranian movie up until now," MEA Member Khalid Al Ghamdi '05 said. "I was really excited to watch one to see the similarities and differences between their cultures and ours. I believe the movies are great and honest sources of information about other countries cultures."

"Divine Intervention" was awarded the Jury Prize at 2002 Cannes Film Festival. The Jury is composed of the festival president and includes an equal percentage of women and men—five directors, two actresses, one actor, one writer and one lyricist. The film also received the Silver Hugo Award at the 2002 Chicago International Film Festival and has also been officially selected to appear at other film festivals including Toronto International Film Festival, New York Film Festival and the AFI Film Festival in Los Angeles, Calif.

"The festival was the idea of Laurence Roth at Susquehanna University, and I thought it was a great opportunity for the two universities to work together. We have so many great resources here and the Theatre seemed like a great focal point to showcase movies rarely seen in this part of the world," Faden said. "Since so much of what we 'see' about the Middle East is determined by the American media, we thought it would be interesting to see images of the Middle East, created by people who actually live in the Middle East."

Faden has owned the theater for just over a year and is in the process of turning the theater into a nonprofit organization dedicated to restoring the theater back to its 1940s glory. The theater hopes to continue showing quality films that are not available elsewhere in the area.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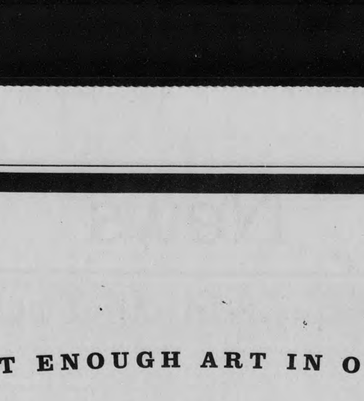
If one were to make a quick list of the world's favorite composers, despite his relatively recent vintage (he's only been dead for a century) Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky would certainly make the list. After all, he composed *Swan Lake*, which is perhaps the most famous ballet of all time. And there certainly can't be more than a handful of ballet companies that don't stage a production of *The Nutcracker* every Christmas.

Fig. 1 Pollen

Causes watery eyes. Much like Tchaikovsky's composition "Romeo and Juliet."

And why not? Indeed, this great Romantic composer should be so immortalized. As a young man, he quit a secure government job — at enormous risk and against his father's advice — in order to pursue a career in music. His mild temperament combined with his tendency to work too hard left him with terrible insomnia, debilitating headaches and hallucinations. On top of that, Tchaikovsky's composition teacher never liked his work, even after he became world-famous.

Setbacks such as these could have finished a lesser man. Instead, they informed his work, which remains some of the best loved in history.



Among the many setbacks Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky endured: a disapproving family, a loveless marriage, a blind barber.

Yet some children still confuse Tchaikovsky with a nasal spasm.

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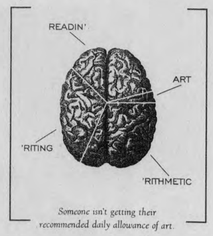

Someone isn't getting their recommended daily allowance of art.

Given all of this, what responsible parent would ever think it's a good idea that their kids spend more time waiting in line in the cafeteria each week than they do in arts classes?

IS THIS SWAN LAKE'S SWAN SONG?

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Biology Seminar Series: Nuclear localization of G protein—coupled receptors; The case of oxytocin—Josef Novak (Olin Science Auditorium) **3 p.m.**	Anime Society Viewing (LC 301) **4-6:30 p.m.**	Anime Society Viewing (LC 301) **4-6:30 p.m.**	Zen Meditation (Meditation Chapel) **4 p.m.**			
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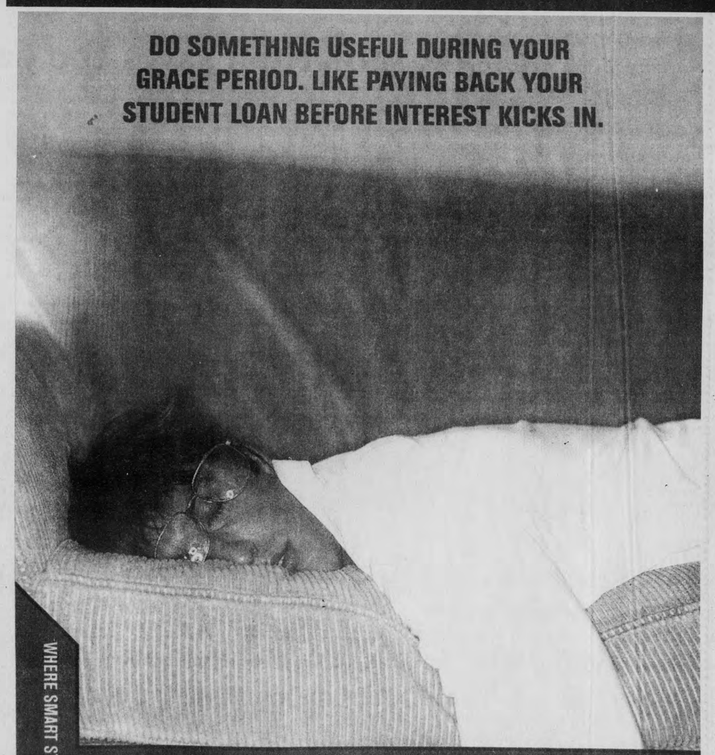

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The Bucknellian Editorial

Mayor, students should continue to improve town-gown relations

On Tuesday, the Borough Council elected Judy Wagner, former Ward 3 representative and Borough Council vice president, as the new mayor of Lewisburg. Although town-gown relations are better than they were in the past, Wagner should strive to improve relations.

One of the biggest issues facing the University now is the question of whether or not students will have to compietely move back on campus in the near future. Wagner is willing to work with the University to make the process easier if it decides to move students back on campus.

If the University decides against the idea, Wagner hopes to improve the aesthetic and behavioral aspects of the neighborhood.

Either way, Wagner's role is extremely important for both the town and the University. Wagner needs to work to maintain the link between the University and the students. Wagner should start improving relations now so that the link between the two entities is not lost if students are removed from downtown housing.

The Bucknellian encourages the Board of Trustees and the University to continue allowing students to live downtown. Living downtown provides students with the real world experiences of paying bills and living alone. Students should be able to live downtown without the constant supervision of the University. If acting inappropriately according to town regulations, students should be punished by town enforcement, not by the University.

By having students living in downtown houses, they are helping the local real estate companies survive. They are also aiding the economy of Lewisburg. The students living downtown provide an important link between the University and Lewisburg and by forcing them to move back on campus, town-gown relations will suffer.

Either way, students should continue to maintain the current relationship. The Bucknell Student Government (BSG) recently held a Halloween event in which Lewisburg children could go trick-or-treating at students' houses. This opportunity proved to be an effective way to have the town and University interact.

To increase the effort even further, students should take a proactive role and run for the Ward 3 seat that opened up after Wagner was elected mayor. Last year Nathan Sorber '02 and Matthew Kasdan '03 ran for mayor and Ward 3 representative, respectively.

Although they did not win, their efforts were greatly recognized by both the town and the University. Since then, students have not taken a direct role in Lewisburg community politics. The open Ward 3 seat is the perfect opportunity for students to attempt to gain a presence in local politics.

The candidates in the upcoming BSG election should also dedicate a portion of their campaigns to improving town-gown relations and take a firm stance on whether or not students should have to move back on campus.

After the inauguration of the new BSG president, the governing bodies of both the student body and downtown residents will bring about a brand new administration. With this "clean slate," the potential for improvement (or lack thereof) is endless. *The Bucknellian* encourages Wagner, the community, the University and BSG to work together to improve upon current relations.

Letters to the editor

Thanks for all the help

To the Editor:

Bling Bling Bison Scarves would like to thank all of the people who donated to our service project. The generosity of the University community was shown through the many donations of office supplies and arts and crafts materials that we received. These donations, and all profits from our business project, went to the Donald L. Heiter Community Center located in downtown Lewisburg. The donations were only part of our company's service project, which included renovating the center's attic and volunteering at the after-school program for a period of two weeks. The project was a major success due to the hard work of our company members and of course, your support. So whether you donated office supplies or simply bought a scarf, we would like to thank you for your help.

Sincerely,
Andrea Paraud '05

Good samaritan saves the day

To the Editor:

Late in the afternoon on Oct. 29, an unexpected snowfall made Route 45 west of Lewisburg quite treacherous. My mother and I found ourselves stuck on the side of the road, in the middle of nowhere, in a snowstorm, in a "no service" area for my cell phone and in a position to make no forward progress. We watched with alarm as cars literally inched up and slid down the hill past us. I silently hoped for a snowplow, salt truck or maybe a lovely wooly Saint Bernard with a small keg of something restorative tied around its neck.

I was frankly amazed when one of the cars that had slid its way past us stopped before completing its descent, and bewildered as the driver made his way over to our car. We opened the window to a young man who offered to help us; who said he'd been on his way to State College and decided to turn back. He identified himself as a student at Bucknell. There wasn't much to be done but perhaps call AAA, which he said he'd do. I was amazed.

A snowplow came along shortly after he left, and we were able to reach AAA to cancel the emergency call. The experience has become just another winter driving episode with one exception—the kindness of the student from Bucknell. I would like to extend our thanks to him once again. His actions that evening exemplified uncommon courtesy.

Sincerely,
Janice Hartman

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University study time not enough to prepare

By Andrea Dill
Chief Copy Editor

By the time you realize classes are over, it's as if finals have already begun. The University's daylong reading period is like a drive across Lewisburg—blink and you miss it. About once or twice a year someone creates a fuss about the length of the University's reading period. Trickled down through the levels of administrative bureaucracy to the student level, the debate is put forth as whether or not the University should extend the reading period beyond its current day.

Everyone knows the routine. Classes officially end on a Tuesday, although students and professors alike probably start looking towards break at least a week or two in advance. Wednesday's title changes from "party night" to "dinky reading day." By the early morning hours of Thursday, the portion of campus affected by impending finals is likely in a scholastic tizzy only sustained by a sugar and caffeine high.

An informal study of other schools shows somewhat similar schedules for finals. The University of Southern California and Penn State kids have a weekend. Haverford and American students have two days. Bucknell World names Lehigh and Carnegie Mellon as "comparable" schools, though both schools also provide twice the reading period as the University. Williams gives four days while the Princeton Tigers have about 10 days in which to study for finals. So the question is, does the University hope to align itself with "better" schools by making the transition from a reading day to a reading period?

To test the student waters, occasionally some proactive campus group floats a survey question somewhere along the lines of, "Would you be willing to have a shorter winter break or stay extra days into the summer to extend the reading period?" The overwhelming student response is no. There are many reasons for this result.

Although this is going to come as a shock to professors everywhere, a lot of students probably end up cramming anyway, so having more reading time would only increase the amount of procrastination to epidemic proportions. Secondly, those who did not do the majority of assigned reading during the semester likely have zero intention of fitting it in on a designated Wednesday. To some, extending it to a weeklong reading period might translate to a seven-day vacation instead of extra study time. Moreover, by the end of the semester, almost everybody is itching to get away from Lewisburg in favor of civilization.

The problem is, people at the University are asking the wrong question. This is one of those times when administrators should be earning this year's roughly 8 percent raise in tuition money and making an executive decision. Don't ask students if we want to linger in small-town America when holidays or summer tans are within reach. Don't dangle the option of a reading period because it looks better for the University next to Ivy League admissions pamphlets. Do what is right.

University officials may very well think it is in the best interest of the students to have a few extra days for reading. If that is the case, administrators should extend the reading period. If students replied to the occasional survey question greatly in the affirmative, again, administrators should make a change. Instead, surveys seem to recycle the wrong question that garners predictable results. E-mail surveys often yield few respondents; try another method of information gathering until something legitimate works.

Survey professors, administrators, students, organization leaders and, yes, eventually the student body as a whole. Instead of putting vacation time in peril, ask designated groups, "Do you think students would benefit from an extended reading period? If so, why?" At least with this altered form of the question, students are not blatantly and actively forced to choose between the merits of studying for their liberal arts education and counting the days until they can sleep late and eat home-cooked meals.

Granted, students are probably smart enough to see through the thinly veiled question and notice their breaks are at risk should they answer in the affirmative. The analysis of such response data could be telling nonetheless. Perhaps the University should change the timing of finals so students have a weekend instead of a mid-week read. Perhaps the University should question why other schools have longer reading periods and find out the advantages or drawbacks. There are a lot of possibilities, should the University choose to explore them and report back to campus.

Although I can see both sides, I lean toward extending the reading period. Whether or not most people would use the reading period for its intended purpose, the time would be there for those who were so inclined. In every situation—be it intramural sports, movies or bingo in the Bison—students can opt in or out. The important points are that students have the option of participating and the potential good outweighs the potential harm. For some people, an extra reading day might be a great help. For the rest of the students, it would be more time with their friends. It is the University's job to determine what opportunities should be available for the students. So far, administrators seem convinced that reading period should remain a 24-hour blur.

Opinions

Was Bucknell the right choice?

By Jenny Ross
Senior Writer

I had to have an "I (heart) BU" T-shirt when they first hit the market—or in University terms, the Langone Center Mall. Sure, my friend who is in the management company told me to buy one, but I didn't need her coaxing to convince me to have a shirt that openly showed my love for this institution. I am a walking advertisement for the University. It costs them nothing (I, however, am in the hole over $30,000 a year plus the costs of my Bison apparel), and I'm more than proud to show off my infatuation.

For me, it was love at first sight. The moment you turn off of Route 15 and into the world of the bubble, you can't help but fall in love with the University's architectural beauty. It captures the eye of every prospective student, especially mine.

My first experience with the campus happened to be on a late, rainy summer evening. I was walking through the academic quad while the sun set, an event I now see every day, but back then it was perfect and lured me to come back for a campus tour. The second visit only increased the love I felt.

Finally, as a student, I got to see what went on inside the beauty of the University. I saw the University on rainy, snowy or leaf-covered days and the days when the wind is blowing just right to catch the aroma of manure and have it waft over the campus. I just held my nose and went on smiling at my cookie cutter classmates.

I know everyone thinks that it is tiresome seeing the same person walk by 100 times a day, but coming from a very diverse high school, the cookie-cutter image was better than homemade gingerbread men. I could no longer stick out because I wore Abercrombie, was a good student and played three varsity sports, because everyone else did too. I was put on a level playing field with 3,350 students and had to find out what defined me.

That is why being stuck in this "bubble" is rather beneficial. The small size of the University allows students to become involved with more than one thing. Instead of just being a Division 1 varsity athlete or a sorority sister or newspaper writer, I can become all three.

Had I chosen another school, I would either not be writing this article, not be competing for the softball team or still be an only child and not a sister in a sorority. At the University, I don't have to choose to limit myself—rather I can expand my interests and be a sister, a softball player and a writer.

Choosing this university may have been one of the best decisions I made because of the 3,349 people who made the same decision. I think about all the friends that I have met through being teammates, sisters, hall mates and classmates and I hope that the bond formed in this "bubble" will last years after they drag me out of here kicking and screaming.

Maybe the stench of the nearby cow manure is getting to me, but I think the University is the most magical place on earth. I could be confusing it with Disney World due to the identical lampposts in both downtown Disney and downtown Lewisburg, but I doubt it.

I swore to myself that I would never go to college in Pennsylvania, but love changes everything and my T-shirt doesn't lie ... I love BU!

By Josh Fisher
Opinions Editor

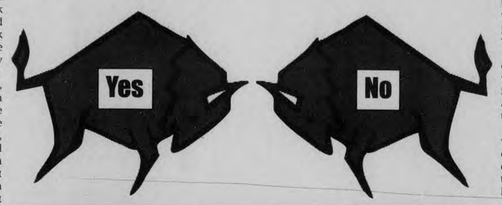
It is often said Bucknellians come from different backgrounds, but all leave on the same well-worn path to success and a life of comfort. What is often left unspoken is what happens in the meantime. There are certain obvious phenomena at the University that we as Bucknellians have come to know as truths.

Truth number one: just in time for Admissions Weekend the lawns turn curiously lush and verdant (it's not pixie dust, it's a caustic concoction of chemicals).

Truth number two: at some point in time (and that time is now) you will realize that the Rooke Chapel bells are not actually bells, but speakers sounding their pre-programmed, quarter-hourly peal.

Truth number three: every weekend herds of Bucknellians flock to Sixth Street to pursue meaningful (albeit sometimes short-term) relationships in the milieu of a dank and poorly lit basement with the faint aroma of stale beer and vomit.

Truth number four: recurring and familiar faces of minority students make their way into diversity-related literature at the University, and you would see their bodies walking around campus if they hadn't graduated three years ago.



Truth number five: the dynamics of popular clothing-wearing culture at the University is subject to seasonal and yearly adjustment as dictated in part by the Abercrombie catalog.

But I really have no problem with these things. I do find the compulsion for many students to dress alike a peculiar and sometimes entertaining occurrence, but I know that Bucknellians are not all homogonously upper-middle class or snobbish, and that there are myriads of interesting and kind and thoughtful students at the University, students who pay their own tuition (like myself), and students who are absolutely unique and expressive—many of whom are also Greek or are even management majors. I am forever thankful to know a great many of these people, just as I am forever thankful for the inspiring professors and excellent academics that have forbade me from transferring.

So why do I regret coming to the University?

When so-called "leaders" are spread so thin that the president of Friends of Lesbians, Gays, Bisexuals and Transgendered (FLAG&BT) works with the president of V-Day Bucknell, who works with "The Catalyst" to advocate some hint of progressive change on a starkly apathetic campus, there is a problem.

When within the first few weeks a student soberly realizes (after numerous scornful and derisive remarks) that it is just socially unacceptable to wear her favorite blue, hooded sweatshirt, despite the fact that she finds it warm and comfortable, there is a problem.

When a person's mental health suffers to a breaking point as a consequence of the simple (and perhaps unintended) actions and attitudes of fellow students, there is a problem!

This detached air of superiority so prevalent and so characteristic of the culture of this campus is nauseating and suffocating—and this feeling is not fictitious or misdirected, nor am I alone in feeling this way.

Think about it. Just because people cannot afford to wear J. Crew or Abercrombie does not mean that they are less cultured or less intelligent. Or just because people choose not to define their identities by the clothes they wear or the cars they drive does not mean that they cannot afford to purchase such things.

But I have learned a few important lessons in three years here: the first is to stand up for social justice issues that don't necessarily affect me directly; the second is that under the University's deceptively attractive veneer grinds the machinations of a vastly image conscious culture and a corporate administration. As a slightly jaded person who cares little about image, coming to this university was probably one of the worst decisions I've made.

America's greatest threat

By Tim Hinkle
Staff Writer

Start digging your bomb shelter and start stock piling SPAM, because the greatest of many grave threats to American liberty was made known on Monday.

You might be surprised to hear that the origin of this hidden danger is not some grand terrorist conspiracy hatched by the evil Osama bin Laden. Not even Iraqi President Saddam Hussein could have hatched a plot so ingeniously designed to end our way of life. No, the only people with the motivation and means to bring about this assault on America are those who we would least suspect—our very own federal government.

The Bush administration is furiously trying to force a new Homeland Security Bill through the Senate after it passed the House last week. This new 500-page bill, which none if any of our senators have read completely or have even decently understood, contains many new riders and assaults on the privacy and civil liberties of every American. One of the many disturbing pieces of legislation hiding in the new Homeland Security Bill is the allocation of $200 million in funding for a program called "Total Information Awareness," to be spearheaded by the Department of Defense.

This program, according to conservative *New York Times* columnist William Safire, will allow the government to keep comprehensive and detailed computerized records of "every purchase you make with a credit card, every magazine subscription you buy and medical prescription you fill, every Web site you visit and e-mail you send or receive, every academic grade you receive, every bank deposit you make, every trip you book and every event you attend."

Who is to head this project, you ask? None other than National Security Adviser John Poindexter, the man who was convicted during the Iran Contra affair of selling missiles to axis-of-evil member Iran in order to finance illicit CIA activities in Nicaragua.

Poindexter has shown his willingness to deceive the American public in the past and clearly this trend has not ended. What is most disturbing is that Poindexter would be directed to gather information on every single American, regardless of whether criminal or terrorist involvement is suspected. That's right, our government is going to start keeping detailed and comprehensive records of almost everything you do.

The Bush administration has made it a priority to systematically dismantle the freedoms that make America the great place it is. The hastily passed Patriot Act of 2002 allows Attorney General John Ashcroft to suspend the Fourth Amendment rights, the right which protects any U.S. citizen from unreasonable search and seizure, so long as it is deemed in the interests of national security.

Agents of the government are allowed under the Patriot Act to enter your home without your consent or reasonable suspicion, seize your property and leave without ever informing you—you would think that you were robbed, but in fact it was done legally by a government agent.

The year 1984 has come and gone, but if all this is beginning to sound starkly Orwellian, that only means that you are paying attention. America is beginning a disturbing slide away from democracy toward a true fascist state. The Bush administration is shamelessly using the deaths of 3,000 Americans on Sept. 11 to ruthlessly deprive us of our essential inalienable freedoms.

So to all who are reading, I say wake up and break the trance. We cannot allow these violations of our most precious liberties to go unchallenged.

If you truly value what it means to be an American, you must stand up and do everything in your power to oppose this new Homeland Security Bill. Contact your senator and voice your dissent before it is too late and you wake up living in a police state that only vaguely resembles the America that we are so lucky to have inherited.

Looking back in anger at Afghanistan

By Michael Niebauer
Senior Writer

As Thanksgiving approaches, here are a few suggestions for keeping the dinner table conversation lively before dessert is served. After the Republican win in this year's election most pundits were saying that it really was an affirmation of the Bush administration's "war policies." If true, perhaps we should look toward the back pages of newspapers for the effects of the "voter approved" Bush Doctrine on the United States and our allies in the Afghanistan campaign. This is where the turkey begins to churn or blind unquestioning patriotism takes over on Turkey Day.

The geographic diversity of these articles ranges from central Illinois to Washington D.C., to our Canadian neighbors to Bagram in Afghanistan, but the stench is coming from our methods of operation in the war on terror ... so far. This is an important exercise as the United States plans to project power through the Bush Doctrine of "pre-emptive political politics" in Iraq and into the future. The future apparently requires a strong stomach and copious amounts of morally ambiguous flexibility, if the last year in Afghanistan is any indication.

So, after a year how are things in Afghanistan? Have we won in the hearts and minds of the people of that war torn land?

In Sherman, Ill., Veterans of Foreign Wars posts are collecting money in drop jars for the legal defense fund of American pilots. The need arises from a "friendly fire" incident last spring (April 17) in which U.S. pilots in Afghanistan bombed and killed four Canadian troops during a training exercise. Two of the pilots are local residents and communities across central Illinois are collecting funds for the suit brought against them by a U.S. military court. Majors Schmitt and Umbach are charged with poor airman-ship and judgement in the incident. Pilots Schmitt and Umbach can receive sentences of 64 years in prison and dishonorable discharge for their roles in this incident. Even the families of the Canadian soldiers are surprised at the severity of the punishment in these cases.

Local residents are angered because of the perception that the U.S. military is coming down hard on the pilots to appease the Canadian allies in the war on terror. Many locals have become involved in aiding in financial defense of the pilots so from the local Subway restaurant to local golf tournaments are raising legal defense funds ($200,000 so far) for the pilots. As in the past, the frontline soldier is taking the heat for battlefield mistakes to save those policy initiatives that are deemed more important than individual careers. What are we to think of this type of political scapegoating of pilots in a country that advertises for military recruitment with online video games and slick television commercials stressing "money for college" to money-strapped prospective students? The fact that this story is buried deep on page 10 of *USA Today* and is under-reported on radio and television shamefully speaks volumes.

Col. David Hackworth's newspaper commentary of Nov. 15 states that during last March in Afghanistan, our troops in Operation Anaconda were not adequately trained for mountain fighting. Hackworth continues by vilifying our intelligence (CIA) operatives in Afghanistan for getting our troops "initially clobbered" by al-Qaida fighters because the "fancy" intelligence gear wasn't up to the task. Also, that in many cases they were outgunned because the Taliban soldiers had superior small arms and "outshot our soldiers" in the high altitude of the mountains.

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Hackworth expresses the view that our out-of-breath troops in the high altitudes were saved only by our air superiority. Hackworth, a highly decorated soldier in Vietnam expressed his disgust when he said, "the Army brass submitted their reports by stating, 'We Won!' covered up the untidy facts and rushed home to present hundreds of medals as part of their cover-your-behind" campaign. How can we trust our intelligence if the facts are covered up by those we are told to trust? Payoffs, coverups and deception are not exactly the ingredients of any sustainable policy anywhere doing anything. Is this what we voted so much in favor of on Election Day? Are we really ready for this new U.S. role of paternalistic world policeman?

So, after a year how are things in Afghanistan? Have we won the hearts and minds of the people of that war torn land? In a Tom Squitieri (Associated Press) article, doubt abounds. Most Afghans feel less safe in a deteriorating and more dangerous situation than a year ago. The U.S.-backed government of Hamid Karsai is unstable and in control of little outside of the capital, Kabul. Dissent is rising within the government, with assassinations a fact of life for all officials in the government. Our paid-for friends the warlords control the rest of the landscape and rivals have already begun jockeying for power among themselves.

Extremists outside of the well-protected capital wait in the mountains for any sign of a lack of support or resolve of any faction involved. The Taliban and al-Qaida forces are fewer in number but not in the intensity of their resolve and religious beliefs, and these are still operational in many areas. U.S. troops on patrol in search of terrorists in eastern Afghanistan daily face hostility and attacks on their positions. Winning a long-term peace after a perceived quick win in a short and victorious war seems to be dimming in Afghanistan.

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Happy Thanksgiving ... really.

FEATURES

La Primavera—stick to Italian entrées

By Alyson Walker
Features Editor

La Primavera, located on Route 45, gets mixed reviews from the collegiate crowd.

I went on a Friday night and, luckily, my party had called ahead for a table for five. Otherwise, we would have waited, most likely for 10-15 minutes. The restaurant was fairly crowded, and the atmosphere was of a slightly dressier nature than I had envisioned. No tacky placemats for La Primavera—instead, think cloth napkins and an indoor fountain.

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Service was slow that evening, and it was awhile before we were even asked what we wanted to drink. So long that we placed drink orders with our appetizer and meals. Luckily, we were given bruschetta to munch on while we were seated.

For an appetizer, we split a shrimp cocktail, which was served with horseradish sauce and saltine crackers. We were puzzled by the individually wrapped crackers but figured that it was some unfamiliar feature of classy dining that we had forgotten due to eating too often at the cafeteria.

Our dinners came with salads and fresh bread. The salads had a nice mix of fresh greens and sparse vegetables, but watch out for olives with pits! The bread was delicious and came to our table still warm.

The entrées were both aesthetic and appetizing. My shrimp scampi had great flavor, although there was a bit of excess sauce causing some messiness. The portions were average to large—you definitely won't leave hungry.

The steak was not as appetizing as the more Italian entrées. It was likened to a flat hamburger. Ketchup was requested to add flavor and compensate for its tough texture. Although it was ordered medium rare, it arrived more well-done, with no pink at all. It was served with baked potato, broccoli and a bowl of spaghetti.

Certain classic entrées were offered with salad and bread for only $8.95, including spaghetti and meatballs, stuffed shells, manicotti and ravioli. La Primavera also serves different gourmet pizzas.

Other entrées included a variety of chicken, beef, seafood and vegetarian dishes. The fettuccini alfredo was made with a rich creamy sauce and was deemed delicious. Chicken and vegetables with pasta was also enjoyable.

Although our service was a bit slow, it was a busy Friday night. Keeping that in mind, we did not wait that long for our entrées. Perhaps it was the aroma of fresh bread and marinara sauce that had us anxiously awaiting our food.

Many University students have had good experiences at La Primavera.

"I thought La Primavera rocked," Eric Bundy '05 said. "Everything was perfect. There was relaxation in the atmosphere from walking in until walking out, and the service and food made that dinner one of the most enjoyable evenings I've ever had."

The price is affordable for a student budget. Most entrées range in price from $9 to $16.

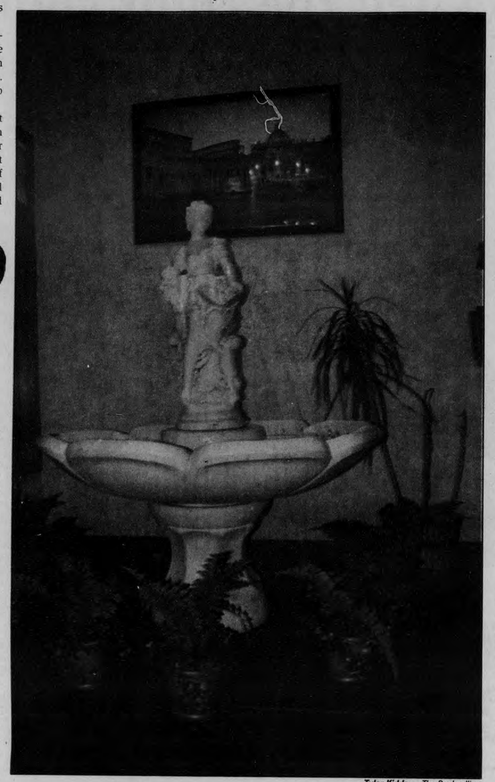
"La Primavera has fairly priced tasty Italian cuisine that offers an alternative to the usual restaurants in town," Lauren Scott '04 said.

Other University students concur with Bundy and Scott.

"The food there is great, and it's even better because it's authentic. You never leave the place hungry," Grace Annis '03 said.

Overall, our visit to La Primavera was enjoyable. Just remember to make a reservation for crowded evenings and block in a little extra time for service. We'll give it another chance.

The overall good food mixed with a touch of atmosphere made for an enjoyable evening. After all, one steak shouldn't ruin the herd—or the Italian cuisine.



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La Primavera, at an affordable price, offers good food with a classy atmosphere—fountains and all. Although, be advised to make a reservation before you go.

'Tis the season to be giving

Volunteer opportunities with both the Giving Tree and the Literacy Tree projects

By Ashley Maliken
Staff Writer

They say that Christmas is the season of giving, and for students and faculty at the University the opportunities to do so are around every corner. This year, two of the biggest volunteer projects are the Giving Tree, being run by Assistant Dean of Students Amy Badal and Coordinator of Volunteer Activities Tina McDowell, and the Literacy Tree, sponsored by the Bookstore and coordinated by employee Kendy Alvarez. Through both projects, individuals are offered the opportunity to brighten the holiday season for underprivileged men, women and children throughout the Lewisburg community and surrounding areas.

The Giving Tree, which encourages you to "take a flake," is located on the bottom floor of the LC. Any passer-by is welcomed to select a flake from the tree and buy a holiday gift for local children, senior citizens and other needy community members. Once a flake is selected, with a gift usually ranging from $15-$25, it must be signed out, purchased, wrapped and delivered to LC 211 before 4:30 p.m. on Dec. 5. The gifts will then be delivered to their various recipients on Dec. 14, helping to bring gifts to many who otherwise would not have them. Cash donations are also accepted and will be used to purchase other gifts for needy families.

"We have 100 more families than last year. [Gifts] are as simple as a coloring book to a sweatshirt for an elderly person," Badal said.

Participating organizations include the Red Cross, Salvation Army, local nursing homes, children's organizations and YMCAs. All of the 600 or more recipients hanging from the tree are guaranteed to receive the gift they've requested, and oftentimes much more.

"We make sure that every request is filled; nobody goes without. Yet [the University] faculty, students and administrators have a way of going above and beyond," McDowell said.

The fourth Annual Literacy Tree, located in the front of the Bookstore, holds the names of over 300 preschoolers from the 12 area Head Start Classes. Head Start, a nationwide organization, has been helping to increase the school readiness of young children from low-income families since 1965.

Each star represents a 3-to-5-year-old child, and staff and students are invited to become "book angels" and purchase the book written on the star. Once you've selected a star, it is replaced by an angel named after you. The first year the program was implemented, in 1999, it proved successful with 130 books being donated to three centers. Since then the program has grown tremendously.

"Due to the generosity of [the University], last year we were able to provide books for the area Head Start Centers with a total of 331 children. This year we have an even more ambitious goal of 381 books and are hoping for as much support from the campus community as before," Alvarez said.

Books can be purchased through Dec. 13 and will be delivered before the Head Start schools begin their holiday break. It is not required that books be purchased at the University Bookstore, but a wide selection of titles in a range of prices are available and wrapping is provided for all gift donations. Monetary donations are also welcomed, and will be put toward the purchase of more books.

Throughout the holiday season other volunteer opportunities will arise both here at the University and in the Lewisburg area. So keep your eyes and ears to the ground, and be willing to open your hearts (and possibly your wallets) to help make this year a better one for someone who certainly deserves your kindness.

Teaching lessons 'round the world—from Romania to Lewisburg

By Rachel Gold
Senior Writer

Traveling to and from Romania every few years, Professor of Mechanical Engineering Stoian Petrescu has improved his style of teaching and worked to perfect his practice based on which method works best.

After graduating from the University Polytechnica Bucharest in 1961, Petrescu became an assistant professor in the engineering thermodynamics department and part of the mechanical engineering faculty. A professor and dean at the same university, Petrescu's father advised him to take a similar path. Petrescu spent 30 years teaching in Romania where he was named head of the department of engineering thermodynamics and the thermal machines department.

"The methods of teaching are quite different between the Romanian University and Bucknell. I have had a chance to compare the two and use the best methods from each situation," Petrescu said.

According to Petrescu, the University's mechanical engineers are given a lot of homework assignments, whereas in Romania there are few in comparison. Within the last 10 years Petrescu has taught at many universities and learned a lot from each experience.

He taught at Duke University for two years, in Romania for six months and then came to Bucknell, where he taught from 1993 to 1998. After venturing back to Romania for three years, where he taught at the University Polytechnica Bucharest, Petrescu has once again returned to the United States to teach at the University.

"I love this guy!" Justin Schwartz '04 said. "Professor Petrescu truly loves what he teaches and cares about his students. He teaches his class work in a fun and interesting manner that makes you not just have to learn the material, but want to."

Petrescu believes that the University's style of learning is far more beneficial to students than the Romanian style. He feels that because there are many homework assignments for University students and hardly any for students in Romania, there is far less pressure on students here to perform well on the final exam. In Romania there are no partial exams.

"At Bucknell the mechanical engineering students are given three exams a semester, whereas in Romania the students have only one final exam and their entire grade is dependent upon their score," Petrescu said. "Here there are a lot more factors and assignments that help determine their final grade. Students are given many homework assignments, quizzes, laboratory reports and research reports."

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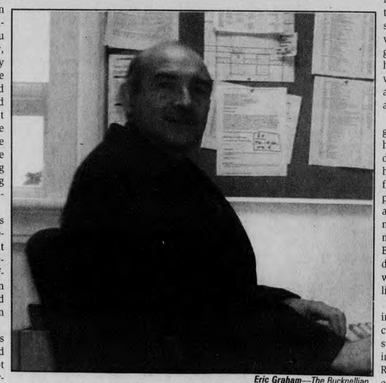
Although Petrescu said that both Romanian and University students attend classes regularly and take notes, "here students learn primarily in the time of the semester and in Romania the students learn mostly in the time of the exam session."

"I really enjoy Professor Petrescu's teaching style," Christian Decker '04 said. "He makes the material fun to learn and easy to understand."

Understanding students' needs and the conditions in which they perform their best, Petrescu has tried to alter the Romanian educational system and adopt some of the techniques he has used in the States.

"I have tried, in Romania, to give my students seven homework assignments a semester in comparison to the approximately 20 homework assignments students get here. At first the Romanian students' reaction was quite negative," Petrescu said. "However, after awhile they began to like the 'new idea' and accommodated because it decreased the effort and time they would have to put in during the month-long final exam session."



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Professor Stoian Petrescu compares teaching in Romania with teaching at Bucknell. He is known to make original analogies for thermodynamics, such as the relationship between a Swedish miller and an astronaut.

Smaller class size and the frequent student teacher interaction is a major difference between the University and the university in Romania.

"The students in Romania would never interrupt the professor during his lecture. Here students are encouraged to interact with the professor and this interaction is extremely important. The students are advised to ask questions," Petrescu said. "In turn, my lectures become more alive and their participation makes for a more interesting and active learning experience."

Both arts and sciences students and engineers at the University develop close relationships with their professors. Petrescu identifies the interaction he has with his students in and outside of the classroom as one of the most rewarding aspects of his job. According to Petrescu, in Romania, the classes have over 100 students and the interaction between the students and professors is minimal even with an effort on both parts. As a result, Romanian students are "forced" to grasp almost all of the semester's material in a very short span of time.

"Here I can discover what kinds of problems my students are having with the various concepts and techniques of computation; therefore, my students have a better chance of understanding the material because they have cleared up their concerns before the exam," Petrescu said.

Mike DeVita '04 shared this sentiment.

"I never knew this guy until this year, and now he is my energy conversion friend," DeVita said. "We share our passion for building a Carnot engine, and he said himself, 'you never know, my friend, the DeVita engine can be the first Carnot engine.'"

In Romania, since the time spent with students is far less than at the University, Petrescu had more time to conduct his research. Although Petrescu enjoys that the teaching load is smaller and that he is able to spend more time with his team and graduate students, he feels that the working conditions at the University are excellent.

"I love the great interaction I have with my students. The people here are very friendly and supportive. I am always learning new things from my students. Bucknell is a wonderful place to work and enjoy life," Petrescu said.

When he is not in the classroom, conversing with his students, researching or traveling to Romania, Petrescu enjoys playing the piano, accordion, violin and mandolin.

"My mother was a music professor so she taught me how to enjoy music," Petrescu said.

Within the last 10 years he has had the opportunity to travel all over the United States and enjoy experiencing all of the wonderful places he has seen.

"Professor Petrescu always keeps us entertained," Christine Keenan '04 said. "He makes analogies of thermodynamic ideas that I never would have thought of on my own. Being in his class will make me 'wus.'"

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Bison clinch 3rd place in Patriot League

With a 3-0 victory over Colgate, the Bison head to the Patriot League playoffs for the 8th time in the past nine years

By Brent Butler
Sports Editor

With a 3-0 victory over the Colgate Raiders last Saturday the Bucknell volleyball team has captured the 3rd-place seed in the Patriot League Tournament. The Bison have 15-12 overall record and a 9-5 Patriot League record.

Prior to the Colgate game the Bison celebrated the careers of two of its seniors, Melanie Ghiz and Jennifer Wrigley. Ghiz and Wrigley have been vital parts of the team's success the past four years.

"It was our senior night, and it was the last time we would all play together as a team in our own gym, Chelsea Anderson '06 said. "We knew that Colgate was going to come out strong because they had noting to lose."

The Bison finished off their final Patriot League game of the season with an impressive 3-0 victory over Colgate. In the first two games of the night, the Orange and Blue beat the Raiders 30-28 and 30-28. Both games were close, but after the intermission the Bison pulled ahead with a 10-point lead in the first 15 points and didn't look back, finally winning the third game 30-23.

"We had to win to keep our seed in the tournament, so we had to go out and play our game," Anderson said. "They definitely gave us a close game, but i think that we had the fire and intensity to bring us the win."

Ghiz recorded a team-high 13 kills and had a team-high .370 hitting average. Wrigley added 11 digs to the Bison effort, while Courtney Clark '06 tallied 10 kills and had an impressive .368 hitting percentage, while Breean Trapasso '04 also added 31 assists and a team high 12 digs on the night. Brandi Trapasso '04 added 10 digs to help the Bison finish off the Raiders.

With the victory, Bucknell has clinched the No. 3 seed in the Patriot League Tournament and will play second-seeded Lehigh on Friday in Washington, D.C. This year will be the 8th time in the past nine years that Head Coach Cindy Opalski has escorted the Bison to the Patriot League playoffs.

On Wednesday Ghiz and Brandi Trapasso were named to the All-Patriot League volleyball team.

Ghiz has led the Bison this year with 396 kills out of a total 555 total career kills and a .253 hitting average. Throughout the 2002 campaign. Ghiz averages 4.24 kills per game, and 0.65 service aces per game average, and she is among the League leaders in a number of categories.

Brandi Trapasso leads the League and is 17th in NCAA stats in digs per game with a 4.50 average. She is also ninth in the Patriot League in kills with a 3.05 kills per game. Brandi Trapasso has added 305 kills to the Bison effort this year.

On Thursday, Nov. 14, Breean Trapasso was named to the 2002 Verizon Academic All-District II second-team. Breean Trapasso has been a vital part of the team contributing 1,075 assists throughout the season. Breean Trapasso has become an all-around student-athlete in her years at Bucknell. She completed the 2001-02 school year with a 3.97 cumulative grade point average, and has made the dean's list many times during her first two years at Bucknell. She has received the President's Award for Academic Excellence and the Charles F.

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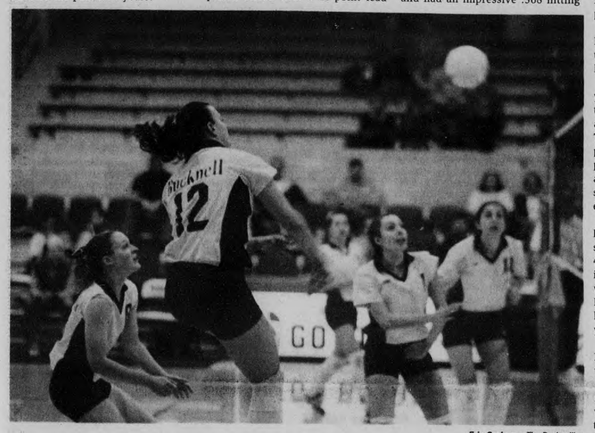

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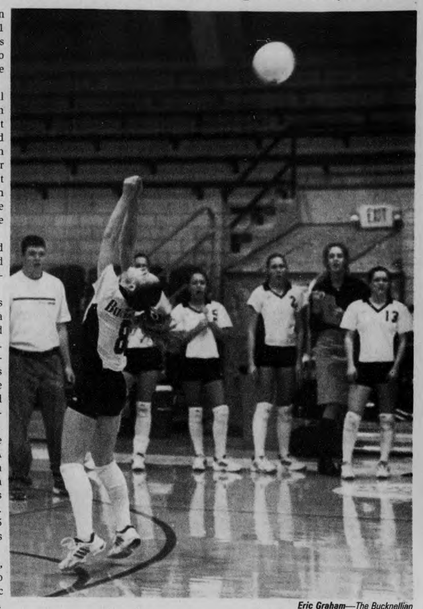
Outside hitter Jackie Leahy '05 sends the ball during Saturday's victory over Colgate. The Bison defeated the Raiders 3-0 to finish the season 15-13 and secure 3rd place in the final Patriot League standings for the season.



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Jennifer Wrigley '03 directs the ball toward the front of the court. In one of the final game of her career, Wrigley contributed 11 digs to the Bison's victory.

Bison continue to struggle

By Cory Nadler
Senior Writer

The Bucknell offense continued to sputter, as the 23rd-ranked Lehigh Mountain Hawks proved to be too much for the Bison defense to handle on a very wet and muddy afternoon last Saturday in Bethlehem, Pa. The Bison could only muster 134 offensive yards in the 24-0 loss, as Bucknell dropped to 2-8 on the season and 0-6 in the Patriot League.

From the onset this game looked as though it was going to be a defensive struggle, as many of Bucknell's games have been so far this season. After trading punts for much of the first quarter, the Bison needed a spark and attempted a fake punt from their own 38-yard line. Following the failed fake punt attempt, the Mountain Hawks took advantage of the good field position by running the ball in from 18 yards out three plays later. The score was 7-0 Lehigh after the first play of the second quarter, and the Mountain Hawks would not need any more points to put a mark in the win column.

On the ensuing Bison possession, Daris Wilson '05, who is normally a wide receiver for the Bison but started and played most of the game at quarterback following a solid outing the week before, threw his first of two interceptions on the day. The Mountain Hawks took over the ball at their own 43-yard line, and marched methodically down the field. Lehigh capped off the scoring drive 12 plays and 45 yards later with a 29-yard field goal to make the score 10-0 with 5 minutes, 51 seconds remaining in the first half.

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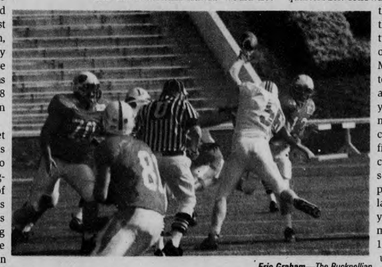

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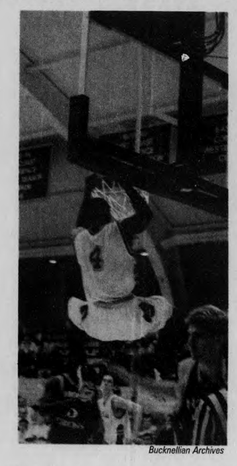
Cole Ciesnolevcz '05 (13) fires a pass to Jim Horan '03 (81). The Bison were shut out by Lehigh 24-0 on a sloppy field last Saturday.

Basketball season begins



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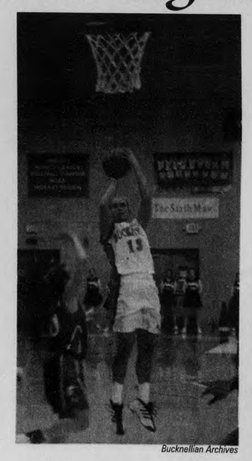

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The men's and women's basketball teams kick off their seasons today. The men face off against the Fighting Irish at Notre Dame at 9 p.m., while the women begin their season at St. Bonaventure at 7 p.m.

Sports Feature:

Honoring the achievements and dedication of former football Head Coach Tom Gadd:

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Courtesy of Athletic Communications

Head Coach Tom Gadd looks over his Bison with pride as he coaches them to victory. Gadd has the support of his family, friends and team.

Cross country makes a strong showing

By Evan Honeyfield
Staff Writer

The men's and women's cross country teams made strong showings this past weekend at the Mid-Atlantic Regional meet held at Canaan Valley State Park in West Virginia. The women continued to improve and finished an impressive 6th place while the men rebounded from two sub-par performances to finish 10th.

Going into the meet, the Bison women were ranked 8th in the region. A number of strong performances and seasonal best allowed the women to climb the rankings. Although Theresa Dennis '03 didn't qualify for the national meet like last year, she ran a strong race to lead the lady Bison to their best race of the season with her 21st place finish. The Bison also had impressive performances from Jamie Gow '06 (37th), Niki Piper '03 (40th), Kayla Halloran '06 (44th) and Alison Cole '06 (49th).

Since the women's team lost three of the top four runners from last season due to graduation, the lady Bison were not expected to finish this high. Hard work has pulled the team towards the top.

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The Gadd Files:

* Seven straight winning seasons, the first time that has happened in Bucknell football history

* Last year, Gadd's 48th win tied him for 1st place as Bucknell's winningest coach

* The Bison's first ever 10-win season

Filling more than shoes: the legacy of Head Coach Tom Gadd

By Brian Klotz
Senior Writer

From the beginning of the fall season until the end, the Bucknell football program has been through some tumultuous times. The heart and soul of the Bucknell football program, Head Coach Tom Gadd, had to leave the reins of the team this past August to continue his fight with cancer.

To the players, especially those under his coaching for four years, it was an upsetting time.

"It hurt us a lot," Luman Bauta '03 said. "It's like missing the general in a war. He did everything for us."

Doing everything for the Bucknell football program is no understatement. In the seven years Gadd has been head coach (1995-2001), the program has experienced an evolution. He led the team to winning seasons in all of his seven years and accumulated 48 total wins, making him one of the most successful coaches in Bucknell's 117-year football history. Some, like Director of Athletics and Recreation John Hardt, feel that this is because of Gadd's competitiveness.

"If I had to select just one quality that I admire in Tom above all others, it would be his competitive spirit," he said. "I don't believe that Tom Gadd has ever backed away from a challenge, and his competitive desire is a primary force in the Bison football program."

To the players, motivation and respect were key ingredients to Gadd's coaching strength.

"When he first came to visit me when I was being recruited, I respected every ounce of him," Todd Warmington '03 said. "He just has a presence. I think that a lot of the close games that we lost this year we might have won because of his leadership and his ability to get the most out of every single player."

Gadd has been involved in coaching football since 1969 when he got his start at his alma mater, the University of California-Riverside. In the nearly 30 years following, he switched jobs many times before finally coming to the University in 1995. His area of expertise was defensive coordinator, and he coached at such places as Long Beach State, San Jose State, the universities of Utah, South Carolina and Minnesota. One especially impressive achievement was his role on the 1984 South Carolina team that finished with a 10-1 record and would have played for the national championship, if not for a late-season loss. Gadd's style of defensive there even coined the nickname "Fire Ants" because of the players' ability to swarm to the ball coupled with the red color of their uniforms.

When Gadd came to Bucknell to assume the role of head coach, he faced a tremendous challenge. He found himself becoming a part of a school that had only one winning football season in the last 14 and whose community had no pride in its program. He turned that around in a hurry. After his first season, the Bison finished at 7-4, and his very next season, 1996, the team became Patriot League champions for the first time in nearly 30 years. The final game of the 1996 season came to epitomize Gadd's style of coaching. In a 28-27 overtime win over Colgate, the team's mental toughness, which Gadd stresses in his players, was the deciding factor.

Gadd also made it his mission to restore a sense of pride in Bucknell football through bringing alumni back.

"Coach Gadd has personally contacted (or attempted to contact) every living football letterman at Bucknell, and launched the very popular Bud Ranck Memorial Golf Outing, which annually draws over 300 alums back to campus in support of the Bison football program," Hardt said. "In this regard, the Bucknell football program has never had a better goodwill ambassador than Tom Gadd."

It was just two short years ago that the Bucknell athletics community was rocked by news of Gadd's unexpected health condition. While on a Christmas vacation visiting some friends, he had a seizure, and after hospital tests, it was determined that the cause was a brain tumor. After two operations, he continues to fight the disease, and coached through the summer 2002 months before the tumor, which affects his short-term memory and ability to do physical work, took him off the field.

Even so, Gadd's commitment to Bucknell football is still evident.

"Even now, when I went to see him in the hospital, he still knows what's going on and we talk football," Gary Carruthers '03 said. "He only accepted the best from his players and was the type of guy you wanted to work hard for."

Acting Head Coach Dave Kotulski coached with Gadd for nearly seven years prior to coming to the University and feels that he contributes more than just leadership.

"I think the biggest thing is that he really cares about the people," Kotulski said. "One of his mottos was, 'Do what's right' whether on the field, in the classroom or in life. He was consumed with being the best he could be and making the program the best it could be."

Throughout his seven-year tenure, Gadd has brought success, earned the respect of many and made many lasting impressions on his athletes. Eric Storm '03 related this fact.

"His personal interest in every single player showed how much he cared about the team," Storm said. "I remember when I first met him when he came to see me before I decided to come play for Bucknell. He said, 'I promise I will watch you graduate, and last year when I was at graduation, he was there in a wheelchair, watching his guys graduate."

Bucknell coach had the secret

Bucknell coach's team off to best start since 1951

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6-0 record a learning curve for players

Bison's 6-0 record a learning curve for players

Courtesy of Athletic Communications

These copies of *The Daily Item* printed in 1997, chronicled Gadd's best season with the Bison. The 1997 season also happened to be the best season in Bucknell football history, with its first 10-win season.

Gadd's legacy will endure

The effects of cancer spread in two ways—through the body of the person it affects, and at the same time, through the community affected by the person. Through Head Football Coach Tom Gadd, it is easy to see that the disease is not only an individual battle; when Gadd found out he had cancer, the entire football team was diagnosed.

In the winter of 1994, Gadd took over a Bison squad that had only one winning campaign in its previous 14 seasons. With an attitude stressing the importance of persistence, hard work and dedication, by 1996, he turned the team around to win its first conference championship in over 30 years.

Gadd's accomplishments continued to build as he constantly reached never-before seen landmarks. He led the program to its first-ever 10-win season in 1997 and tied the school record with 48 coaching wins.

By Ainsley Maloney
Writer

For the first time in Bucknell's 116-year history, Gadd had accumulated seven straight winning seasons.

His impact on the Bucknell football community was recognized when he was named American Football Quarterly's 1997 Newcomer of the Year for Division 1-AA along with Patriot League Coach of the Year. He also received the prestigious honor of being one of 10 finalists for the Eddie Robinson Award, which recognized his accomplishments on a national level.

Unfortunately, in the summer of 2001, Gadd was diagnosed with cancer and its weakening effects caused him to step down from the position of head coach at the beginning of the 2002 season. Now, Gadds previous accomplishments and impact on the football community seem to be highlighted even more through his absence.

"Coach Gadd pretty much turned around the program for us," Todd Wenrich '03 said. "Not having him out on the field is a big deal. All the guys respected him; when he walked out in front of you, your attention would go right to him."

Gadd did not ask for respect—it was simply understood. Gadd's guidance and leadership on and off the field was a key aspect that many athletes admired.

"He has a presence about him that was more of a leadership role than anything," Billy Windle '03 said. "You always knew he was gonna be there. In football that's big. That's one of the biggest parts of the program he helped with."

The team seems most thankful that the acting Head Coach Dave Kotulski is keeping with the same structure, traditions and beliefs that Gadd had instilled in the program from the very beginning. It has helped them adjust to Gadd's absence by reminding them that though he isn't able to be there in person, a part of him is still with them on the field.

"The head coach now has the same mentality as Coach Gadd," Wenrich said. "He knows what we've been doing the past couple years and kept a lot of the traditions alive."

As a coach who served as both a leader and mentor for most of his athletes' entire college football careers, it is difficult for them not to take constant notice of his absence.

"It's similar to a boss," Dave Gibson '04 said. "If the boss isn't there things still go well, but not as well if he were around. There's definitely something missing."

Gadd has left a mark too powerful to be forgotten. He left his skills in the record books, his morals in his athletes and his traditions in the program. Even though Gadd is no longer on the field with the Bison, his presence is still felt.

Courtesy of Athletic Communications

Gadd speaks to his team during the 2001 campaign. Gadd's coaching ability was well-respected among his players and his leadership ability helped the Bison succeed in Patriot League competition over his seven years at Bucknell.

Sports Ops

Cecily Cairns Classic Corner

Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

Champion in a box

Achieving athletic excellence has many advantages. Win a Super Bowl, a World Series or an Olympic gold medal, and within a week your hometown will throw a parade for you, there will be a billboard hovering over I-95 with your smiling face plastered across it and a Sports Illustrated cover will be waiting for you.

A spot on Jay Leno's couch will open up for you, you'll be asked to do cameos on a few sitcoms that you've probably never even lowered yourself to watch and someone on "Saturday Night Live" will mercilessly deride you. You might even be immortalized in the form of a bobblehead, which will inevitably bear just enough resemblance to you to give you and your loved ones the creeps.

Even though massive spring-loaded plastic heads mounted on incongruously small bodies have a certain allure about them, there is one tradition of athlete exaltation that exceeds all other endorsements and deification. Simply put, there's nothing quite like seeing your image superimposed on a blindingly vibrant orange cardboard box, staring down at you from the top shelf in aisle 12 of Acme Supermarket, sandwiched between Tony the Tiger and Count Chocula.

Appearances on the Wheaties box have been among the boasting rights of some of history's greatest athletes—Lou Gehrig, Walter Payton, Cal Ripken Jr., Johnny Weismuller and Michael Jordon, to name a few. People have been dreaming of endorsing the ageless bran flakes for decades.

Like some of the athletes it relied on for endorsement, the now-familiar Wheaties bran flakes arose from humble beginnings. As it happened, their "discovery" was actually a mistake—if it weren't for a sloppy health clinician in 1921, the world of cereal might never have provided anything more inspiring than Toucan Sam.

The worker was preparing a scrumptious feast of wheat gruel for patients at a Minneapolis health clinic when he slopped some of the mixture onto the burner. The "sludge of champions" sizzled and spat and solidified itself into a crispy little flake, which the cook felt compelled to sample. It turned out to be a delicious—and nutritious—mistake.

The burned-up bran was eventually brought to the attention of George Cormack, the head miller at the Washburn Crosby Company (which eventually became General Mills), who toiled away at designing the perfect bran flake. In 1924 he unveiled Washburn's Gold Medal Whole Wheat Flakes. Realizing the name was longer than the average consumer's attention span, the company held an employee contest to choose a new name. The winner was Jane Bausman, the wife of a company executive, and the product was christened as "Wheaties."

Wheaties didn't become a part of sports culture until 1933, when the cereal launched a sponsorship of minor-league baseball radio broadcasts. One of the radio stations gave the company the opportunity to advertise Wheaties on a big signboard with its slogan of choice. The bran gurus then turned to advertising expert Knox Reeves, who reeled off a quick sketch of the box design, complete with a new slogan that would soon become engrained in pop culture—"Wheaties: the breakfast of champions."

To gain the affection of active Americans everywhere, Wheaties placed its breakfast of champions in the hands—or mouths, rather—of the champions themselves. Gehrig became the first athlete to endorse Wheaties, appearing on the back of the box in 1934. A staggering line of sports heroes swore by the crunchy breakfast during the decade that ensued, including Joe DiMaggio, Ben Hogan, Bronko Nagurski, Ted Williams and Warren Spahn.

It wasn't until 1958 that the Wheaties endorsement really became the ultimate exploitative honor for athletes. After a brief fling with the Lone Ranger and other non-sports icons, Wheaties turned to Olympic gold medal-winning pole vaulter Bob Richards as the product spokesman and inked his likeness on the front of the box.

Richards was the first to appear on the front of the package, and was followed by seven other spokespeople honored by the company since the 1950s. Bruce Jenner, Mary Lou Retton, Pete Rose, Walter Payton, Chris Evert, Jordon and Tiger Woods all contributed to the tradition as the years rolled on.

While only eight athletes have been named spokespeople, the list of those who have been immortalized on a cardboard sea of orange and white is almost incalculable. Men and women from a diverse variety of sports have taken a bow beneath the big white block letters, including heroes from baseball, football, track and field, gymnastics, diving and women's ice hockey. A few athletes have made multiple appearances, but Wheaties' most frequent flier was, not surprisingly, Jordon, who showed up on the box 18 times.

The meteoric rise of Wheaties still hasn't showed any signs of halting in recent years; it's even evolved into a couple of sub-species in Honey Frosted Wheaties and the sugary bombardment of carbohydrates known at Wheaties Energy Crunch. Competing athlete-endorsed cereals have sprouted up in groceries all over the nation, and a few—most notably, Flutie Flakes—have garnered tremendous popularity. But there's nothing quite like the original, with its vertiginous orange complexion, its sporty white logo and its confidence-inspiring slogan.

For more than half a century, starry-eyed athletes have pictured themselves on the Wheaties box, and it's likely that they'll continue to do so. Over the past 81 years, Wheaties have become an enigmatically popular piece of marketing history, a subject of intense interest in the world of sports memorabilia and, most importantly, a lasting facet of the American sports dream.

That's a heck of an accomplishment for one dried up splat of wheat gruel encrusted on a stovetop.

Scott Kloss
Senior Writer

Mav-elous!

Those pesky Mavericks have done it again. On Tuesday night they gave a lickin' to a Shaqless Los Angeles Lakers team that used to laugh at the mere mention of a "Maverick." Laugh no more as the Mavs had Dirk Nowitzki and Steve Nash on the bench by halftime with a comfortable 15-point lead.

"We took care of business," Nowitzki said.

Indeed they did. As for the Lakers they are currently 3-8 without the Big Toe of Shaq, which begs the question, "Does one person make a team?" Kobe Bryant has done his part, averaging over 30 pages, but without a credible inside threat the Lakers are dead in the water.

11-0, that is where the Mavs stand as of Wednesday, tied for 6th place on the all-time NBA best start list. The Mavericks will try to keep climbing the chart with home games Thursday against Houston and Saturday against Seattle. The all-time record is 15-0 by the Rockets in 1993-94 and Washington in 1948-49. So what makes the Mavericks so good?

For starters—trickery. Dallas uses the unorthodox and highly ridiculed zone defense. With "2-3" and "2-1-2" formations, the Mavs have confused opposing teams into many forced shots. Having the seven-foot-six-inch Shawn Bradley in the lane doesn't help either. Mr. 76er Bust has elevated his game this season averaging a sick 3 blocks per game while adding 10 points and 9 boards. Add in the heart and soul of the team embodied by Steve Nash, a scrappy guard who proudly announces his Canadian blood, is the driving force that glues Dirk, Michael Finley and himself together. With German born Dirk Nowitski and Mexican native Edguardo Najera, analysts wonder if the Mavs are the second coming of The United States successful NATO. Getting back to Nash, whenever someone needs to step up with Dirk or Mike in foul trouble, No. 13 gets the call and delivers. How about more than 40 percent from behind the arc for starters?

"Steve Nash's ability/instinct for seeing (and moving into) open spaces before they actually open, for being able to play the game a heartbeat ahead of everyone else, reminds me of a pint-sized Larry Bird," Charley Rosen said on ESPN.com.

Could Big-D's success be directly related to enthusiastic owner Mark Cuban's hush-hush voice this season?

"I just think the league is making good strides. Traveling calls are up 100 percent, carrying (the ball) is up 87 percent, offensive fouls are up 23 percent," Cuban said. "if you've seen me on the sidelines, I haven't mellowed at all. It's just that all the things I've kept track of and made an issue about, they've responded. I've always said the easiest way to shut me up is to just do something. And they have."

One … two … three … four … five ... the sky is the limit. That's what the St. Louis Rams are singing after resurrecting their season with five straight victories. Who is to take credit for all their returned glory? Marshall Faulk ... kinda. Kurt Warner … nope, he's injured. Marc Bulger! Marc who? Yep, following in the footstep of back-ups filling in for injured quarterbacks and actually succeeding (most recently Tom Brady leading the Patriots to the Super Bowl), Bulger, had taken a team that was reserving its January vacation plans to a powerhouse yet again. Sporting a league-leading 106 quarterback rating and connecting for touchdown passes to the likes of Issac Bruce, Bulger has gained the respect and admiration of his most intense critics. Quarterback controversary? There should be! Unfortunately for Bulger fans, he sprained his right index finger on Monday against Chicago. That, coupled with Warner getting a clean bill of health from his doctors, means Warner is back. Besides Mike Martz said from day one, "Kurt is our guy."

Courtesy of Reuters

Back-up Rams quarterback Marc Bulger talking to Head Coach Mike Martz. Bulger has done an excellent job of filling in for the injured Kurt Warner.

Even then, you can bet if Kurt starts to struggle again early Bulger will get the nod to jump in.

Now it's time for my favorite portion of the article—the Decker Effect! This week's award goes to Manute Bol (all 7 feet 7 inches of him) and his attempt at ice hockey stardom. Bol signed with the Indianapolis Ice of the Central Hockey League last week and played in one game. Err, one period ... Manute, the shot blocking king of the NBA years ago has been looking for ways to generate fundraising for his war torn homeland of Sudan. First it was "Celebrity Boxing," now "Big Guy on ice skates." Knockout, the ice won.

Bol spent part of Saturday's game against Amarillo on the bench before his arthritic feet began swelling inside his custom-made ice skates. As such he has put his career on hold indefinitely until they invent the hover skates. On a side note, the game drew a season-high crowd of 5,859.

Me Like Sports tuw

Aaron DeRosa
Sports Editor

Legends and their fall

Jerry Rice still runs up and down the sidelines every play. He darts across the middle and takes the hits like he was still 23. Michael Jordan still hits his fade-away jumpers, making those who defend him look like the ankle bone wasn't really a necessary piece of the human skeleton. Mark Messier still places the puck with the precision of a Dennis Miller snipe at Linda Tripp. Jesse Orosco who was on the mound the last time the New York Mets won a World Series 16 years ago just signed a contract with the San Diego Padres.

I see these players on highlight reels on ESPN and think to myself, didn't I see that same exact move about a decade ago when I was still eating hamburger meat with my fingers because I refused to use utensils for a month? What's that all about? Why must the elderly continue to do this to themselves? Can they just move to Miami and punch a few chads?

There must be some reason for them to stick around. A reason beyond "more money" and "love of the game." Those things only take you till about 35. But when you eclipse that 40-year mark, there's something else in it for you.

When Jerry Rice finally retires he will be enshrined into the Hall of Fame with all the speed of a Kato Kaelin-powered Nascar engined with high-efficiency, cryogenic liquid propellant engine and two strap-on solid-fuel boosters. He has nothing left to prove to himself or to the world. I'm not a hockey buff but I'd imagine the same applies to Mark Messier. Michael Jordan has already been inducted, removed, reinstated and removed again from the NBA's Hall of Fame. Hell, does anyone remember when we retired his number? And Jesse Orosco's face has been immortalized in every Shea Stadium poster and Mets paraphernalia since '86, his 15 minutes were up 15 years ago.

Not fame. Not money. Not records. Not love. But then it struck me. They're doing it to be legends. They want to be legends. They want to be in history books. They want their names synonymous with their sport.

They must know by now that legend-hood is a much more voracious beast than that of fame. Anyone can be famous. Britney Spears is famous. But she's far from a legendary diva like Whitney Houston. Being a legend though, that's special.

But then I wondered how we choose our legends? Legends have their own club meetings. Legends have golf courses and failed restaurant chains. Legends have video game series and rap albums, either by them or for them. Legends transcend the social plateau into a much loftier, Olympian (the mountain, not the event) level of fame.

But how do we choose our legends? Let's take football. I could mention the names Johnny Unitas, Joe Namath, Joe Montana, Walter Payton and Vince Lombardi and people would have a vague, if not overly detailed, conception of who I was talking about. Basketball: Wilt Chamberlain, Magic Johnson, Michael Irvin and Larry Bird. Hockey: that guy with the missing teeth, that guy with only one testicle, the guy with the brain hemorrhage and that other guy with the brain hemorrhage (the one who still remembers his name, you know the one I'm talking about). You get the picture.

So what do all those people have in common? Is it how the players treat the media that endears them in our hearts? Is it their accomplishments on the field? Is it their accomplishments off the field? Was it sheer talent or was it hard work and dedication? Was it earned or was it thrust on them?

I'd like to think that it has something to do with heart. I'd like to believe in some sort of ideal that says that we immortalize these athletes because they dedicated themselves to their work with every ounce of strength they could muster and they succeeded when everyone said they couldn't.

But oftentimes it really is the media. My colleagues and I make and break legends. It's not their accomplishments on the field or in the arena, it's the dramatic spin. I'm not saying that I hold that power yet. I write a trashy smut column in a student newspaper … I write the "Days of Our Lives" to Sports Illustrated's "West Wing." But when journalism is done right, it's done to make you feel a certain way, to understand the drama and the tragedy involved in every fourth quarter comeback, every ninth inning rally and every double overtime slug-fest.

I could wax poetic about Michael Jordan's triumphant departure from basketball after his father died and tell you he did it because he didn't feel he could devote himself to the sport anymore. And a month later when he signed with the Chicago White Sox I could tell you it was to fulfill his father's lifelong dream that he make it as a centerfielder in the major leagues. And then a year later when he came out of retirement, I could tell you it was because he wanted to honor his father and his teammates by doing it all over again and championing on to victory.

But I could have also written that he was a quitter. That he had gotten his three championship rings and that he wanted to go out on top and his father's death was a convenient excuse to use. I could go on to say that his return was financially motivated, that he was losing his endorsement deals.

Let's be honest. Jordan was spectacular, but if he had retired after his first three championships and never returned, would we still deify him the way we do? Of course not. We loved it when he came back; the fanfare, the glitter, the cherubim and seraphim playing harpsichords and accordions. And we STILL love it that he's back. Step right up to see the half-man, half-legend. Get your tickets. See the man who walked 500 miles and would walk 500 more just to be the man who walked a thousand miles to fall down on the court. Popcorn to your left.

As a society that says you are a nobody until you are a somebody, I think it's time to take a step back and view some of the finer intricacies of athletics. Let's make MVP races not just about statistics, but about maintaining clubhouse morale. Let's make rewards for those who don't speak with the media, but still devote themselves and their lives to the sports and the people that they love. Let's reward heart. Let's reward overcoming adversity. Let's reward individuality.

Utopian? Maybe. But think of how it feels to root for a man hired to play a sport like an independent contractor, and then think about how it would feel to root for someone who would save your life by pulling you out of a burning automobile.

To Chris Draft and Anthony Thomas … thank you.

Justin McCarthy
Senior Writer
(27-17)

NFL Predictions

Cincinnati (1-9) at Pittsburgh (5-5)

So Stewart gets the chance to start a quarterback controversy in the Steel City now that Maddox is benched while he recovers from his cerebral and spinal concussions. This, to all you Steeler faithful I say, is not such a bad thing. Stewart will be pumped to be back in the huddle and ready to show his worth; and if the end of last week's game is any sign then I'm ready to accept Stewart as the starter … only until Maddox returns of course.

Then again, it was Maddox who took his starting job. No matter the quarterback situation, the Steelers need a rushing attack, something they lacked last week in compiling a meager 45 yards on the ground. Wait … they're playing the Bengals … they don't need much to win. Maddox, Stewart, hey, why not let Randle El get a few snaps?

Green Bay (8-2) at Tampa Bay (8-2)

This showdown may determine homefield advantage throughout the NFC playoffs, for these two share the best record in the NFL. The Bucs are riding a three-game winning streak, while the Packers are coming off a surprising loss. I mean, if the Packers can't score enough against the Vikings defense to win, how do they expect to beat the No. 1-ranked defense in the league that is allowing an NFL-low 11.9 points per game. The Packers have lost their last four games in the heat of Tampa … make that five.

San Diego (7-3) at Miami (5-5)

Lucas got his first win, and the Dolphins finally snapped their three-game losing streak, against a team with absolutely no offense, the Ravens. This week they face the league's leading rusher, Tomlinson, who is backed up by a very good Drew Brees passing game. The Dolphins rank 2nd in the NFL against the run, while the Chargers rank 3rd, meaning that this game will turn on the passing game, and there is no contest there. With Fiedler out, the Dolphins' passing game cannot compare to San Diego's. Sorry Flipper, your boys lose.

Indianapolis (6-4) at Denver (7-3)

Some Denver fans may worry that Griese is injured, but I say don't. Denver's back-up, Steve Beuerlein, is good enough to start on half of the other teams in the league. Plus, he will be entering the huddle of the 2nd-ranked offense in the AFC, which consists of a nasty rushing attack led by Clinton Portis. Can anyone say rookie of the year? Furthermore, Denver possesses the best overall defense in the AFC. Does Indy even have a chance? Yes, because they have the Manning to Harrison connection, and the latter leads the league in receiving yardage. So Indy is good, but not good enough. Broncos will stay on pace with the Chargers.

Philadelphia (7-3) at San Francisco (7-3)

The Eagles will be without their MVP, quarterback Donovan McNabb, which almost guarantees defeat to a top caliber team such as the Niners. McNabb has accounted for 65 percent of Philly's offense this season. Can anyone realistically replace that? No, but the Eagles may opt to go more to their running game led by Duce Staley. If the Eagles hope to make up for McNabb's absence they must do it on the defensive side of the ball, with their defense which is ranked 1st against the run and 2nd overall in the NFC. The interesting matchup in the game to watch will be between two all-stars, for Terrell Owens will be matched against Pro Bowl cornerback Troy Vincent. Philly has not lost to an NFC team all season. After this week, they will have.

TRIVIA

By Justin McCarthy

1. In how many NFL games has Eagles QB Donovan McNabb had zero rushing attempts?

2. What active NBA player has been a part of the most double-digit winning streaks?

3. Who are the only two players to end a MLB season with a slugging percentage over .800?

1. One; last Sunday, 11/17/02 because of an ankle injury he suffered on the third play of the game, which he finished; 2. Scottie Pippen has been in 11 double-digit winning streaks in which he played in every game of the streak; 3. Babe Ruth and Barry Bonds.

Sports

X-country runs one of its best races all season, with the lady Bison placing 6th

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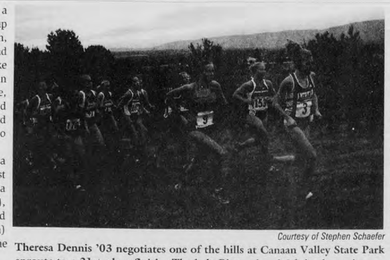
"We've gotten progressively better as a team and individuals this season, and I'm hoping we continue that trend. I'm looking forward to racing again at ECACs," Piper said.

"I thought our women ran a fantastic race. To finish 6th when we were rated 8th is quite an accomplishment considering how young we are. We have a great future ahead of us. These ladies have been improving every race," Head Coach Kevin Donner said.

The women's race was won by Shana LeBeau of West Virginia, younger sister of the notorious Shane LeBeau. Georgetown took home the team title placing five girls in the top 15.

On the men's side, Bryan Johnston '03 once again led the men with his 19th place showing, which was good enough to earn All-Region for the second year in a row. Johnston was with the lead pack early, but a fall around the 2k mark dropped him a number of places. He got up and continued to run tough, but could not regain the ground that he lost to the leaders. Mike Smith from Georgetown ran away with the individual title, while Adrain Blincoe's and Mike Auckenbol's 2nd and 3rd place finishes led Villanova to the team title.

The Bison men's team on a whole ran one of their best races of the season. Lou Palma '03 (61st), Eric Furst '03 (71st), Nick Mousetis '04 (75th) and Stephen Schaefer '04 (80th) made up the top five for the men.



Courtesy of Stephen Schaefer

Theresa Dennis '03 negotiates one of the hills at Canaan Valley State Park enroute to a 21st-place finish. The lady Bison placed 6th in the region.

"This weekend was probably the best team race we've had since Great American in September," Furst said.

Donner had projected a finish between 8th and 13th as a team.

"It was nice to see the team bounce back off of a tough league meet," Donner said.

The men's team had mixed reactions. All were glad for the solid team effort, but many couldn't help but want better.

"We had high expectations going into the season based on the performances of our returning runners from the year before. However, as the season progressed, we lost something that no one can quite understand," Furst said. "When Greg [Costello '03] got injured, it was certainly a jolt to the team, and once we understood that we could not go to nationals, the mental edge that we had earlier in the season evaporated."

The Bison harriers will now prepare for the IC4A/ECAC meet held at historic Van Cortland Park in the Bronx this Saturday.

Because there is both an invitational race and an open race, every healthy runner will be able to compete. This will be many seniors' last cross country race ever, and they will be looking to go out in glory.

"This year's race will feature a great Columbia team that finished 2nd at Heps, a Delaware team that beat us at Regionals and possibly some other Ivy League schools that just missed out on Nationals or beat us at the Regional meet. We are the defending champions … our job is to defend the title," Palma said.

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Football commences new head coach search

By Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

The University commenced its nationwide search on Nov. 7 to fill the Bob Odell Head Football Coach position currently held by Tom Gadd. Since it is imperative that the new coach be selected before the off-season recruiting period, a selection committee has been working diligently to review the many candidates and applications.

The committee consists of Director of Athletics and Recreation John Hardt, Professor of Biology Dr. Gary Sojka, Vice President for Student Affairs Charlie Pollack '70 and Senior Associate Director of Athletics Tim Pavlechko '91. In addition to reviewing candidates' qualifications, the committee has asked for the input of alumni, campus constituencies and the national college football community.

"The senior captains of the Bison football team have been consulted and asked to solicit input and feedback from their teammates to share with the committee," Hardt said. "In addition, we have been is close communication with acting Head Coach Dave Kotulski and his staff throughout the process."

Kotulski, who has handled the position of head coach in Gadd's absence, is one of many candidates for the job. In addition to Kotulski, the search committee has received over 100 inquiries regarding the position.

"Due in large measure to the tremendous level of success that the Bison football program has achieved under Coach Gadd's leadership, the interest being expressed in the head coaching position is very high," Hardt said. "The search committee has been impressed with the outstanding quality of the candidate pool, and expects the high level of interest in this position to continue as we move to forward in the process."

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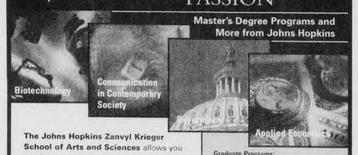

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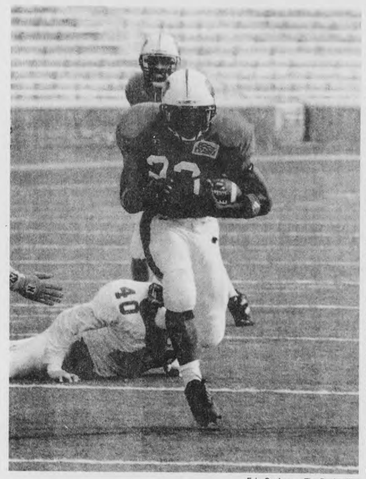


Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Blamah Sarnor '06 carries the ball downfield during an earlier game against Lafayette. Sarnor had 8 carries for 29 yards against Lehigh.

they were going to narrow the deficit at the end of the first half, but Wilson was picked off at the Lehigh 43-yard line with 10 seconds remaining in the half, and the Bison had to go into the locker room down 10 points.

Bucknell looked to put a dent in the Lehigh lead again early in the third quarter. Following a blocked punt, the Bison recovered the ball at the Lehigh 18-yard line. As has been the story for much of the Bucknell 2002 season, the Bison could not capitalize on the good field position. After gaining negative yardage, senior Chris Lundberg's 37-yard field goal attempt hit the crossbar and fell short.

On the ensuing possession, the Mountain Hawks put the game seemingly out of reach. Following a 47-yard run, Lehigh capped off the scoring drive by connecting on a 5-yard touchdown pass to make the score 17-0 with 3:55 to play in the third quarter.

Early in the third quarter the Bison found themselves starting another drive in Lehigh territory. Following a bad punt snap by the Mountain Hawks, the Bison got the ball on the Lehigh 29-yard line. After losing six yards in three plays, the Bison were forced to punt.

"In the second half we presented ourselves with some opportunities, but we couldn't take advantage of them," Head Coach Dave Kotulski said.

On their next possession, the Bison fumbled the ball, and Lehigh recovered on the Bucknell 34-yard line. Lehigh capitalized on Bucknell's mistake, and added another touchdown to make the score 24-0 with 1:30 remaining in the game. The Bison could not move the ball downfield fast enough to put any points on the board, and the final score remained 24-0.

Wet weather and muddy conditions did not help the quick moving quarterback for the Bison, and it proved costly in the end.

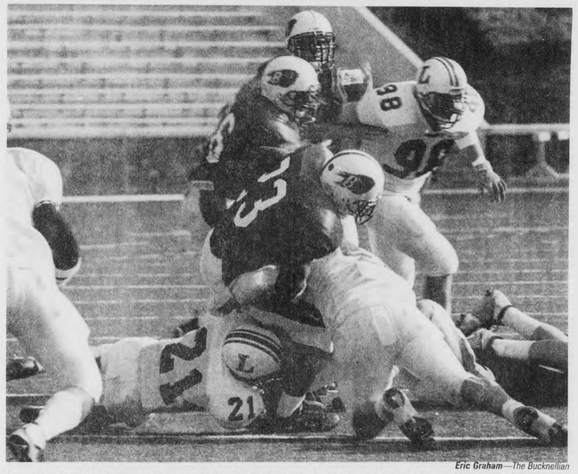
"We were playing in atrocious conditions, but the kids still came out and played hard," Kotulski said. "The conditions did not benefit Daris' style of play."

It was a lack of execution that doomed the Bison yet again.

"We haven't executed or performed up to our abilities," Kotulski said.

With the Bison in the midst of a six-game losing streak, they look to put a positive swing on a generally negative season when they host Fordham University on Saturday, Nov. 23, for the final game of the 2002 season.

"The overall attitude have been upbeat and positive. We haven't accepted losing, but we have dealt with it, and next week is an opportunity to end on a positive note," Kotulski said.



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Blamah Sarnor '06 charges into the opposing defense. Lehigh's defense held the Bison scoreless last Saturday.

Volleyball heads toward playoffs

VOLLEYBALL From page B1

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Brandi Trapasso '04 hits the ball during last Saturday's match against Colgate. Trapasso amassed an impressive total of 305 kills over the course of the 2002 season, helping lead the Bison to a stellar record.

White Memorial Prize in 2002. This year Breean Trapasso is co-captain and has received All-Tournament Honors at the Stony Brook Tournament and Bucknell Invitational. She was also named Patriot League Player of the Week for the week ending on Sept. 16.

This weekend the Bison compete against second seeded Lehigh in the Patriot League tournament. American University will host the tournament and will compete against 4th-seeded Army in the first round of the tournament. The winner of each of the matches will play on tomorrow at 4 p.m. in Bender Area.

> *"We had to win to keep our seed in the tournament, so we had to go out and play our game … We had the fire and intensity to bring us the win."*
> *—Chelsea Anderson '06*

Admission will be charged for the 2002 Tournament. The ticket price at the door is $10 for adults, while admission for students and staff with institutional ID is free.

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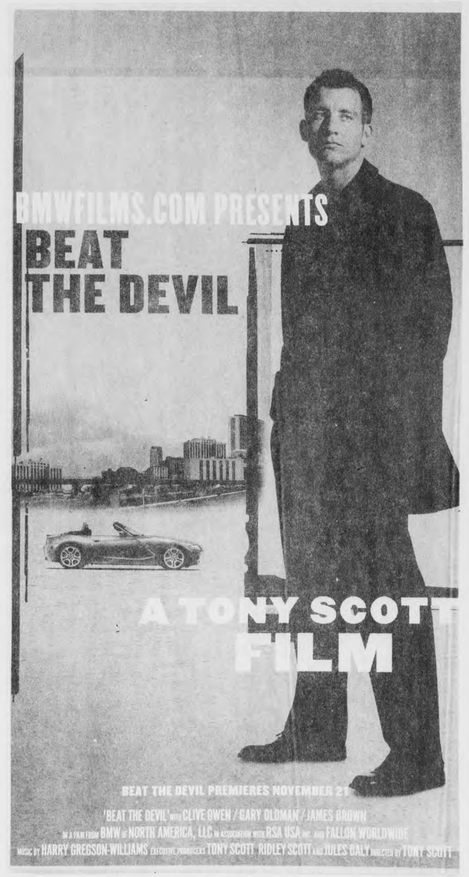
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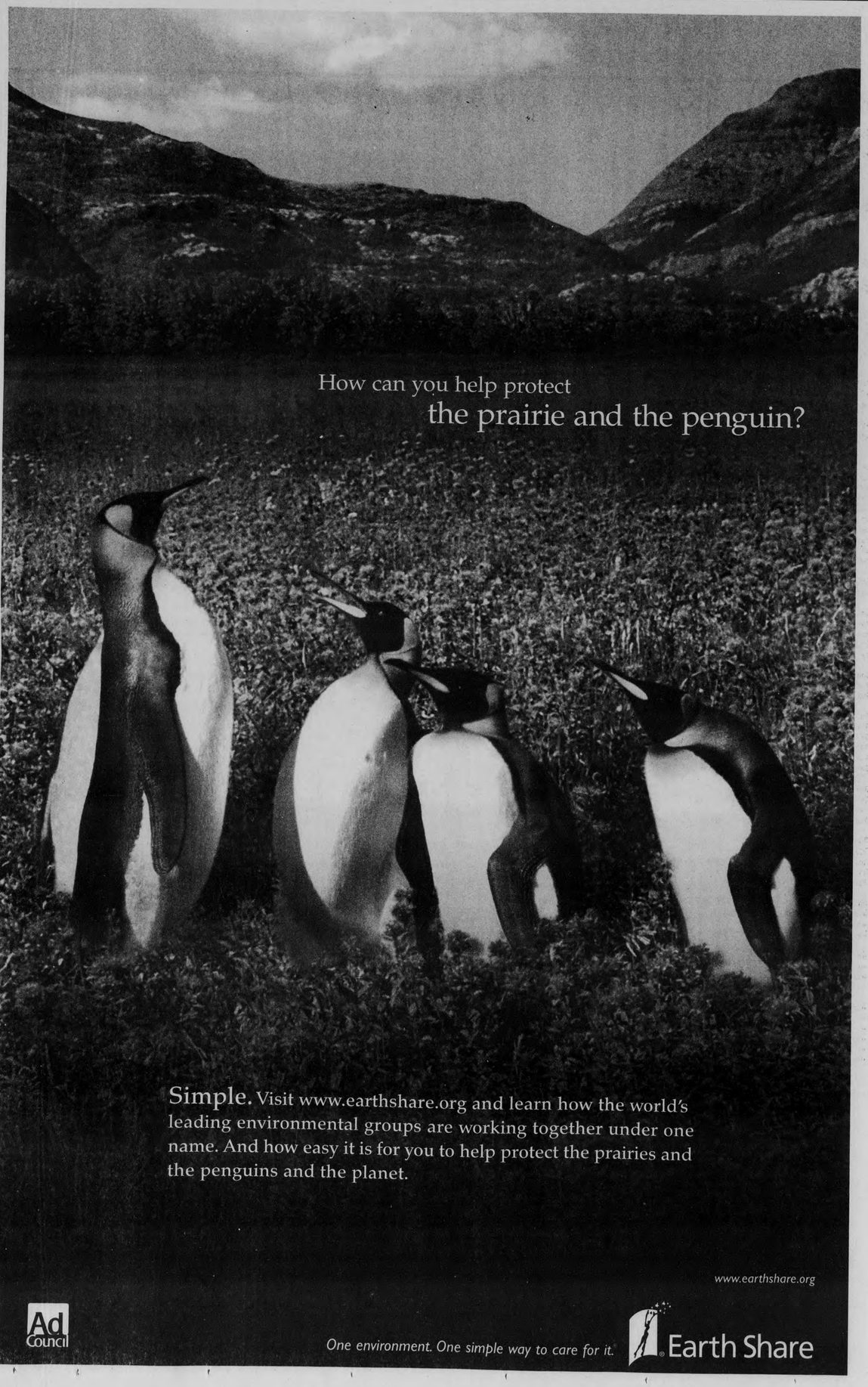
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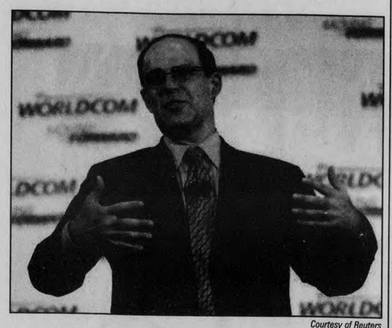
WorldCom Rising?



Courtesy of Reuters

New WorldCom, Inc. CEO Michael Capellas speaks at a press conference in New York. It is hoped that Capellas, former president of Hewlett-Packard, is what the faltering corporation needs.

By Jim Leahy
Senior Writer

Investors hung up on WorldCom and its CEO Bernard Ebbers this summer, as the company filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in July. There has been a massive Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) investigation and the company is currently in negotiations to settle its charges out of court. A new CEO is on the job and there is much talk about the resurrection of this once powerful corporation.

The New York Times reported that the company, based in Clinton, Miss., is talking with the SEC to settle its corporate fraud charges while four former executives plead guilty to securities fraud. This stems from the company's bankruptcy filing that revealed a massive accounting scandal that may exceed $9 billion. The scandal led to the collapse of the company's stock and massive investor losses on Wall Street.

Former CEO Bernie Ebbers shoulders much of the blame for the problems at WorldCom. Most think he spearheaded the causes that led to the company's downfall. Yet some believe that Ebbers was not so bad.

According to Fortune, "Poor Bernie Ebbers just borrowed money by the barge load. He owes WorldCom $408 million for sure, and as far as anyone can tell he still owes those banks and brokerages more than $1 billion. However … let's remember that Ebbers was different. In his own old-fashioned and quite possibly crooked way—and unlike the others—he at least intended to make himself rich by taking the rest of the shareholders with him."

Last week, the company announced its choice for CEO when it hired former Compaq CEO Michael Capellas, who helped merge Compaq with Hewlett-Packard in a brutal battle. Capellas comes to WorldCom with a long technology background and most believe he will succeed at its helm.

Capellas faces a daunting task to revive the struggling and scandal-wrapped company. According to CNN, "He will set up a formal process for finding new board members and creating a corporate governance structure that he hopes will be a model for corporate America. He expects to create a nominating board that will include the three new directors who have joined the company since it revealed the accounting improprieties. He also expects creditors to participate in the nomination process."

"We have to work on the cost model and return people to believing in the company's integrity," Capellas said in *The New York Times*. "We will have to rebuild the trust of employees, customers and the world in general. At the end of the day, we, the private sector, the people who run the companies, have to be the ones to make governance real; to take accountability on ourselves."

The company is also dealing with the rumors that former New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani is showing interest. According to *The Wall Street Journal*, "Giuliani has joined with a leading bond investor, David Matlin, to create a fund to raise more than $1 billion to buy up the distressed bonds of WorldCom. Matlin hopes to gain enough clout as WorldCom's biggest creditor to install Giuliani as chairman."

WorldCom may be a way for Giuliani to increase his résumé if he decides to run for office in the future. He is a powerful figure with experience in the law and in running a large organization. His consulting company, Giuliani Partners, is also working in the corporate sector with some high-profile companies in their own trouble, including Merrill Lynch.

As reported in *The Wall Street Journal*, "political strategists are divided about the wisdom of such a move." David Garth, the veteran New York political consultant and Giuliani ally, described the WorldCom move as a very positive one for his one-time client.

"Man cannot live by bread alone," Garth joked of the financial advantages.

Looking ahead toward a potential Giuliani run for the White House, Garth said that the assignment would round out an already impressive résumé.

WorldCom has a long road ahead of it in the rebuilding process. Many of the services it provides are vital—it is a major long-distance carrier and one of the nation's central Internet backbone providers—and many see its existence as one of supreme importance. Whether Capellas can resurrect the organization and make it viable remains to be seen.

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Al Gore returns to the political spotlight

By Mike Dudzinski
Staff Writer

Former U.S. Vice President Al Gore has once again stepped into the political spotlight. This time, he has a different agenda.

Time magazine revealed that Gore has recently drawn public attention in promoting his new book, "Joined at the Heart," as well as a health care proposal that advocates nationwide insurance coverage.

It remains unclear whether Al Gore will seek an election bid to the White House in 2004.

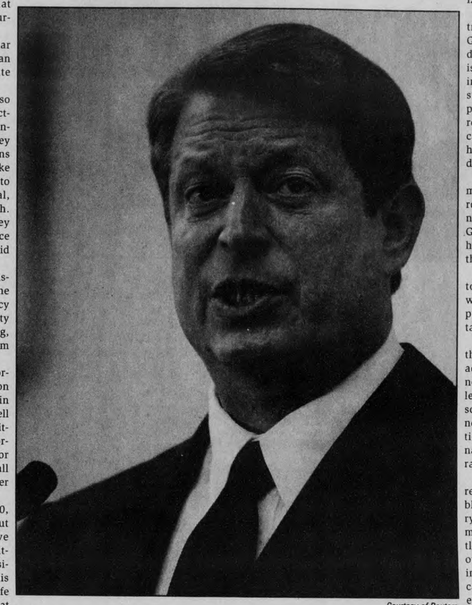
The curiosity has been so widespread that CNN conducted a poll to seek public opinion on the matter. The survey found that most Americans feel that Gore will likely make a run for the presidency to unseat his bitter rival, President George W. Bush. When asked whether they would support the former vice president, less than half said that they would.

Gore will have to administer a flawless campaign if he wishes to seek the presidency again. Although his popularity among the public is fading, you cannot rule out optimism for the future.

CNN emphasized that former President Richard Nixon faced a similar scenario in 1963. Most Americans, as well as Republicans, expressed little interest in seeing the former vice president run for president again. Beating all odds, Nixon triumphed over Hubert Humphrey in 1968.

Just as Nixon felt in 1960, Time magazine pointed out that Gore expresses grave reservations about the outcome of the cutthroat presidential election in 2000. His new book reveals that his wife Tipper is still convinced that he won.

Gore goes as far even to question the legitimacy of the Supreme Court's decision with regard to Bush v. Gore. He believes that the five Republican Supreme Court Justices voted in a manner that is at odds with their political ideology.



Courtesy of Reuters

Former U.S. Vice President Al Gore returns to the political scene with his new book, "Joining at the Heart," and a new health care proposal, as well as various criticisms of the current administration. It remains unclear whether Gore will seek the presidency in 2006.

Aside from his book, the Associated Press noted that Gore has recently made many public appearances advocating health care reform. Aware that as many as 40 million Americans are without health care, the former vice president has proposed national health care coverage for all citizens.

A former critic of a central health care system, Gore reluctantly came to the decision that this objective is the only solution to the impending health care crisis. The Associated Press pointed out that health care reform might serve as a key campaign issue for Gore if he decides to seek the presidency in 2004.

Attacking Bush for commercializing the war on terror and failing to tackle the nation's economic slump, Gore worries that America has a one-way ticket down the wrong path.

He said that if he were to campaign again, he would focus more on big policy issues rather than tactics.

Time magazine revealed that Gore is determined that advocating public awareness of the nation's problems and proposing viable solutions is what America needs from its leader, cautioning Bush's ambiguous nature as highly undemocratic.

Although a presidential rerun may not seem possible for Gore, a look at history suggests otherwise. Time magazine presented a startling fact that Gore pointed out to one of his aides during the final hours of his campaign: If he ran again in eight years, he would be around the same age as Nixon when he won the presidency. Nixon was the last vice president to lose a bitterly contested election.

Florida jury finds gun distributor liable

Valor Corp. to pay $1.2 million in damages for failing to include an internal locking system on its Raven MP-25, following the death of a Florida schoolteacher

By Lindsey Gentel
Writer

For the first time in history, a U.S. jury found a firearms company liable for supplying a gun without an internal locking system. A Palm Beach County jury ordered that Valor Corp., a South Florida gun distributor, pay $1.2 million to the family of murdered teacher Barry Grunow on Nov. 14.

While the verdict was nowhere near the $76 million requested by the attorneys of widow Pam Grunow, they, along with gun control advocates, praised the decision against Valor Corp. as a momentous verdict.

Grunow's attorneys argued that an internal locking system on the gun would not have allowed 13-year-old Nathaniel Brazill to shoot the Lake Worth Middle School teacher two years ago as terrified classmates watched.

Allen Rostron, senior staff attorney for the Brady Center to Prevent Gun Violence, said in an interview with *The Sun-Sentinel*, "For the purpose of sending a message about gun safety, I think we accomplished everything we wanted to do with this case."

According to the Associated Press, Bob Montgomery, who led the Florida effort to win $11.4 billion from tobacco companies and was one of Grunow's attorneys, said he hopes the case opens the floodgates for lawsuits against firearms companies that manufacture and sell the Raven MP-25.

Valor Corp. insisted a lock on the Raven MP-25, the kind of pistol known as a "Saturday night special" or junk gun, would not have prevented Brazill from pulling the trigger and shooting Grunow in the head.

Montgomery said he is happy with the verdict.

"We're delighted that Valor has been found negligent in this particular case and I hope this will be a clarion call to other suppliers and distributors—get that Saturday night special off the shelf," Montgomery said to CNN.

According *The Sun Beach Post*, while jurors decided the gun distributor was negligent for failing to incorporate "feasible safety measures" in the Raven Arms .25-caliber semiautomatic handgun, they rejected the main argument of the widow's case that the gun was an unduly hazardous and faulty product. Most of the four-week trial had focused on her attorney's contention that the gun was essentially defective because it served no justifiable function.

The all-woman jury found that the handgun was satisfactory, and that Valor Corp. was only held somewhat responsible for the May 26, 2000 shooting. Jurors found that while the Grunow family suffered $24 million in damages, the gun distributor should only be responsible for paying 5 percent of that amount.

The jury also found the Palm Beach County School Board responsible for Grunow's death because the school did not provide sufficient security measures. The rest of the blame lays with Elmore McCray, the Brazill family friend who owned the gun used in the shooting. Brazill stole the gun from a cookie tin that McCray had hidden in a dresser drawer.

The Grunow v. Valor Corp. case is a rarity because it marks one of the few cases against a firearms company that has gone before a jury. Typically, such cases are dismissed by judges before they ever go to trial and then dragged through the appellate courts for years in plaintiffs' unsuccessful attempts to have the claims reinstated.

Neither Palm Beach County School Board nor McCray was named as a defendant, nor is either responsible for paying any part of the verdict. The School Board reached a $245,160 out-of-court settlement with Grunow two years ago, while McCray's insurance company settled with her for $300,000, according to CNN.

"I think [the decision] has no impact whatsoever on the gun industry nationwide," John Renzulli, Valor Corp.'s lead attorney said in an interview with *The Sun-Sentinel*. "I think this jury told the gun industry that this gun is not unreasonably dangerous and defective. Bob Montgomery told us that he was going to get $75 million verdict and blow the roof off the courthouse. That's not what happened."

"If somebody gets in [a] car, turns the key and jams on the gas and runs somebody down intentionally, is that car at fault? Is there a defect to that car? Of course not," Renzulli said.

According to the Associated Press, Renzulli hugged several of the jurors after the verdict, thanking them. He said four of them told him they wanted to clear Valor Corp. of any responsibility, but two were holding out for the gun distributor to bear some blame, so they reached a compromise verdict after a little more than six hours of deliberations.

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By arguing the case as a product liability, because the gun was inherently defective, Montgomery was able to successfully ward off Valor Corp.'s attempts to have Circuit Judge Jorge Labarga dismiss the lawsuit outright.

According to *The Palm Beach Post*, Montgomery argued that Valor Corp. should have incorporated a lock into each Raven Arms .25-caliber semi-automatic, which would make it impossible to operate without a key. A gunsmith testified for Grunow that such a device would cost less than $4 to install on the pistol.

McCray testified he would have used such a lock if it had been on the gun and kept the key with him.

Gary Mehalik, spokesman for the National Shooting Sports Foundation, told CNN that it was outrageous that the jury even found the gun distributor 5 percent responsible.

"Valor Corp. sold this firearm 10 years ago legally, it was stolen and used by a criminal and holding a distributor responsible flies in the face of established law," Mehalik said.

John Hlawka, the widow's father, said the verdict, big or small, does nothing to ease the pain of his daughter and her children.

"I'm not thrilled with any kind of money and neither is Pammy," Hlawka said to *The Sun-Sentinel*. "A lot of people have the right to have guns, but this weapon was a piece of crap, and I think everybody knows it."

He anticipates the case will wind its way through the appellate courts.

Arts & Entertainment

"Harry Potter" makes magic

Courtesy of Reuters

"Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets" stars Daniel Radcliffe and Emma Watson pose with author J.K. Rowling at the movie's world premiere in London. This movie's plot is more intricate than the first.

By Kristi Johnston
Arts & Entertainment Editor

The "Harry Potter" series is alive and well. Though it didn't gross as much money in the first weekend as its predecessor, "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets," the latest movie based on the hit J.K. Rowling book series, dominated both ticket sales and movie gossip this weekend. This time, the kids have matured, the storyline is more complex and the quidditch is more intense.

Movie Review 4.5/5

A year after "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone," most of the original cast returns for the latest edition. Harry (Daniel Radcliffe) is still being tormented by his abusive aunt and uncle, Ron (Rupert Grint) is still getting into trouble with his large magical family and Hermione (Emma Watson) is still reading everything she can get her hands on.

"Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets" is not just an updated version of "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone." Despite taking place once again at Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry, the plot is much darker and more intricate than that of the original.

Harry is warned by a computer-animated house elf, Dobby, not to return to Hogwarts. Of course, he does not heed this advice. Once back at school, he starts hearing strange voices in the walls, speaking a language he has never heard before and defending himself against accusations that he is trying to rid the school of non-pureblood magicians. Viewers see Harry's struggles with his own identity and the potential powers he possesses.

Add to this complex storyline dazzling special effects and ominous evil creatures and this movie is clearly not just for kids.

"I really liked the movie," Christie Crawford '03 said. "However, it didn't follow the book as much as the first one did, and I think it would be pretty scary for kids."

Joining Professors Dumbledore (the late Richard Harris), McGonagall (Maggie Smith) and Snape (Alan Rickman) is the arrogant and self-absorbed Gilderoy Lockhart (Kenneth Branagh). Also new to the cast is Jason Isaacs as Lucius Malfoy, the creepy father of Harry's arch enemy, Draco (Tom Felton).

Though the movie does not follow the book exactly, it only omits those details that are unnecessary to the overall story. (The movie is 2 hours and 41 minutes long despite these deletions.)

The child actors have obviously matured, but still retain the innocence and curiosity that are inherent in the personae of their characters. Branagh and Isaacs add the perfect blend of humor and icy intensity, respectively, to the mix. Harry Potter may not be on his way to the Academy Awards any time soon, but he definitely knows how to conjure up a lot of fun.

Satirical book describes college life

"Student Body Shots" is a humorous, yet accurate, look at college

By Leah Cunningham
Staff Writer

Somehow, the quintessential aspects of college life—laundry, Instant Messenger, Greek life, alcohol, sleep and showers—are familiar at colleges and universities across the nation. Steve Hofstetter, author of "Student Body Shots: A Sarcastic Look at the Best 4-6 Years of Your Life," candidly satirizes these so-called fundamentals by finding hilarious life lessons in even the most mundane and ridiculous phases of everyday college life.

A 2002 graduate of Columbia University's School of General Studies, Hofstetter is a co-creator of Jerkoftheweek.com, a sports humor site, and is the author of "Observational Humor."

In a word, "Student Body Shots" is hilarious. If you are a fan of Jack Handey's "Quotes on Life" on "Saturday Night Live," this is your type of humor. This 99-pager does not involve deep philosophies or long-winded views on life, but is filled with sarcastic and comical revelations about college life. Hofstetter is strangely effective in his simplicity because his conclusions are true.

"Student Body Shots" has a foreword written by the popular "Boy Meets World" star Rider Strong. The book proceeds to follow with commentary divided into such categories as sleep, money, parties, dorms, hooking up and even winter break.

Book Review

In his section called "The Gym," Hofstetter says, "You're not healthy just because you work out. You eat Ramen for lunch, pizza for dinner and you've never been awake for breakfast. You drink all weekend, spend your time IMing your roommate and go to sleep at 4 a.m. on a Tuesday. But those three sets of bicep curls—man, they're keeping you healthy."

Hofstetter makes light of those events that sometimes go unnoticed but are an integral part of college life. In the "Money" chapter, he recounts, "The only kind of money college students ever have is a 20 dollar bill. Since ATMs only give out 20s, you end up going to dinner with five people and no one has change. One guy ends up covering it, and everyone says they'll pay him back as soon as they get change. Which never happens."

Hofstetter is witty with all of his opinions. His section on winter break reminds the typical college student of the regressions of returning home. "When you go home for winter break, you're like 'Score! A month off!' Then you spend a week with no drinking, lots of nagging and the terrible thought that you have three more weeks of this."

Hofstetter is essentially Ferris Bueller as an author. He reminds the reader that "the great thing about college is that regardless of if you want to study, party, do both or do neither, there will be a place for you somewhere."

This guide-to-life handbook packed with smug commentary is sure to at least crack a smile in any college student. If nothing else, Hofstetter gives compelling advice on how to read your hallmates and friends through their "college-typical" behavior.

"You can tell a lot about someone by what they keep in their shower basket. Four different shampoos means they're obsessed with their appearance.

Neat labels mean they're anal. And a tube of foot fungus cream means they probably forgot to buy shower shoes."

Cumbre dancing and fun

Monica McMurrer—*The Bucknellian*

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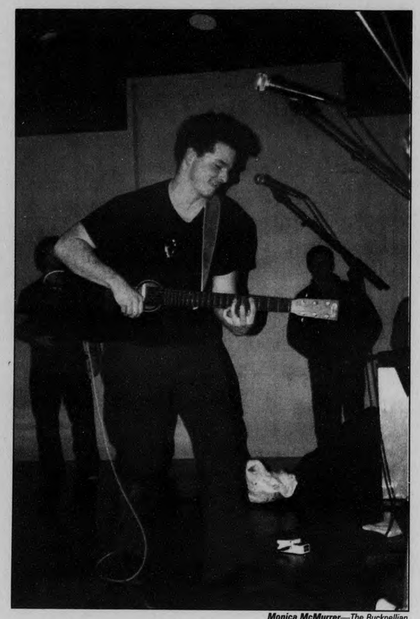
Students enjoy dancing at the Cumbre dance last Friday. This was a celebration of Latino culture and traditional Hispanic food.

Pete Francis plays



Monica McMurrer—*The Bucknellian*

Francis performs at Uptown last Friday. As Dispatch's lead singer, he played many of the group's songs.

Student makes a difference

Elizabeth "Ibby" Cizmar '03 doesn't want fame with her acting, but wants to make an impact

Courtesy of Ibby Cizmar

Cizmar has acted in over 10 University productions. After graduation, she plans to attend graduate school for theatre.

By Kristen Habacht
Senior Writer

The youngest of three sisters, Elizabeth "Ibby" Cizmar '03 has made quite a name for herself in the University theatre department. Having acted in over 10 productions on campus, not to mention various Cocktail plays, Cizmar, a theatre and political science major, is no stranger to the stage.

Cizmar came to the University to enjoy a smaller theater program that allowed for more personal attention and opportunity. She soon realized that finding her niche was the key to getting the most out of the University. Cizmar is a member of the Pi Beta Phi sorority and was its recruitment chair this fall. She also played varsity tennis during her first and second years, but theater has allowed her the real opportunity to find her place at the University.

She has supplemented her experiences here with two summer internships at the Atlantic Theater Company and one internship in which she taught theater classes.

This spring, Cizmar is taking over the role of co-director of "The Vagina Monologues," along with Lee Cromwell '05. She is excited about the opportunity.

"I feel that [the 'Monologues' have] already impacted the campus—the way people look at women and their struggles," she said. "So many people that I've talked to have said that it has changed the way they look at themselves and the world and that's what we want. It should make you think. It's interesting and fun, as well as intellectual."

"The Vagina Monologues" is opening just days after Cizmar's main stage acting showcase, "Oleanna," closes. The showcase, also her senior thesis, is a two-person power play that brings back alumnus Marc Powers '74 to play the male lead and is directed by Associate Professor of Theatre Bob Gainer.

Cizmar is breaking the mold by having an acting showcase—most seniors choose to direct. She is excited about the opportunity to perform the showcase.

"'Oleanna' gets people thinking about difficult issues," Cizmar said. "I want to change the conventional way people think."

Cizmar is not acting to become famous; she is doing it for herself and to make an impact.

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Lema rumored to be leaving University

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By Sandi-Jo Galati
Associate Editor

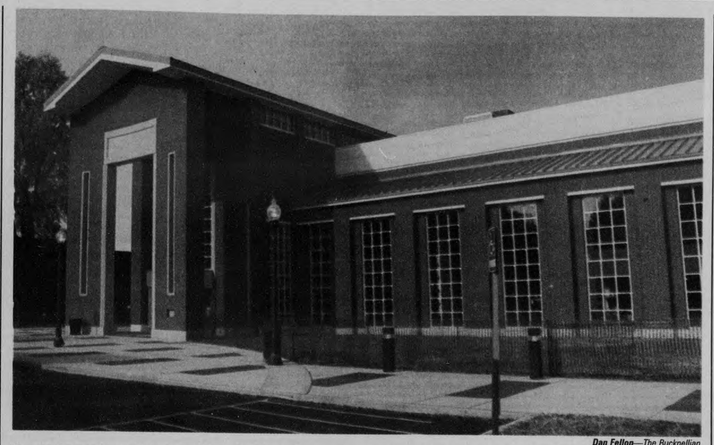
Sources within the University have informed *The Bucknellian* that Vice President for Finance and Administration Jo-Anne Lema will be leaving the University. The circumstances surrounding her departure remain unspecified.

University President Steffen Rogers was unavailable for interview due to off-campus engagements since Wed. morning. Rogers described the situation in a phone conversation as an "active personnel issue" and declined further comment.

Vice President of Student Affairs Charles Pollock '70 also declined to comment.

Sources indicated that Associate Vice President for Facilities Dennis Hawley '72 and Associate Vice President Finance/Controller Dennis Swank will serve as interim replacements. Both Hawley and Swank served as interims in the position prior to the hiring of Lema last Fall.

The Bucknellian will continue to investigate this issue and provide the complete story when the University releases an official statement.



Dan Felton—*The Bucknellian*

Community members will not be issued memberships to the new Recreation and Athletics Center (RAC) until the University determines to what extent, if at all, non-University memberships can be offered. Student, faculty and staff memberships will remain full time.

University slow to extend RAC memberships to community

By Jennifer Jenchura
Senior Writer

The University administration is currently reviewing its policy towards community memberships at the new Recreation and Athletics Center (RAC) that opened in October. A formal policy will be announced in January.

"We are proceeding with caution and not rushing to a premature conclusion because we want to get it right the first time rather than later having to revoke memberships or do anything that would cause further consternation to the community," University President Steffen Rogers said.

In the meantime, people who pay annual dues will continue to be renewed on a semi-annual basis. Current lifetime members will continue to be allowed to use the Fieldhouse but, until the University determines risk management and usage patterns, they will not have their memberships extended to the RAC.

College-aged students from other schools will continue to be permitted to use the University's athletics and recreation facilities during school vacation periods by showing a valid college picture ID. Although the new policy could change community members' access to the new facility, it is unlikely that faculty and staff will be affected.

"The privileges for faculty, staff and their dependents are likely to remain exactly as they have been—full usage," University General Counsel Wayne Bromfield said.

In order to make the decision, the University is reviewing several factors associated with opening a brand new athletic facility to the community. They are investigating risk management safety issues, insurance and tax implications. The ultimate decision on outside memberships will be based on usage patterns of students and staff in the University community.

"If, after that analysis, we can also accommodate outside memberships, we will determine how many and under what conditions. The real issue concerns memberships to community citizens—How many, at what price? In the past, a limited number of community members have been allowed to use the facilities for an annual fee. With increased safety and security concerns, we are assessing what that policy will be going forward," Bromfield said.

The University also needs to make sure the greater amount of people using the facility will not

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Trustees approve merit aid pilot plan

By Sandi-Jo Galati
Associate Editor

The Board of Trustees approved the merit aid pilot plan in a unanimous vote during its Nov. 23 meeting. The verdict enables the athletics department to begin awarding basketball scholarships immediately, while the admissions office may offer non-athletic packages beginning March 1.

"This was a good process for Bucknell," Vice President of Student Affairs Charles Pollock '70 said. "Merit aid was on the agenda of the Committee for Admissions and Financial Aid almost two years ago and really was given thoughtful consideration. It is a process of which the University can be proud, with an outcome which I am equally confident will be a positive experience."

The University hopes to accomplish several goals with the implementation of merit aid. They include the enrollment of more students academically, strengthening the reputation of the University, increasing diversity on campus, drawing more performing arts talent on campus, drawing more middle-income students to the University, solidifying overall financial assistance and promoting athletic equality—particularly in basketball—among the other schools in the Patriot League that offer merit aid.

"We are very much in competition for a relatively small number of students who both recognize the virtues of institutions like Bucknell are capable of doing the work here. We can't afford to operate in a vacuum," Pollock said.

The Patriot League decided to implement merit aid in 1998. By not offering merit aid, the University had isolated itself with Colgate University and the Ivy League in its refusal to offer merit aid.

Men's basketball Head Coach Pat Flannery and women's basketball Head Coach Kathy Fedorjaka are allotted three scholarships for each of their teams, which they were able to offer immediately follow-

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Off-campus housing issue to be reviewed in January

By Elisabeth Salemme
News Editor

The University Board of Trustees discussed the question of housing all students on campus at their meeting last week. The matter will be discussed further at its January meeting, when the board will revisit its 1998 plan to bring all students back to campus from town, as well as more recent notions about doing this in approximately the next five years.

According to University Vice President for Student Affairs Charles Pollock '70, at the January meeting the Board of Trustees will discuss how to try to accommodate all students on campus by 2007.

"The possible outcomes of the January meeting are to continue on the current course slowing down the timetable for new housing but proceeding with the fundamental goal, or possibly tabling the idea indefinitely," Pollock said.

According to Pollock, a significant factor the board will have to consider when they revisit the earlier plans of this year is the current unbalance in the University budget. He said the board will also have to consider the change in the nation's economy "that will make funding tight" in the future.

The task force of Borough of Lewisburg and University personnel that will study possibilities for the local neighborhoods, where students currently reside in great numbers, will

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Hunt Hall renovation on schedule

Sorority dorm to reopen doors after fall semester

By Meghan Fox
Staff Writer

After students return from winter break, the sorority women currently living in Vedder Hall will move into the newly restored Hunt Hall. At this time, restoration of the east wing of Vedder will begin.

Hunt is currently under construction and has been so since commencement last spring. The building was built in the late 1920s as a residence hall for women. The last restoration made on Hunt building occurred in 1978.

By Jan. 15, Hunt will be reopened with improved accommodations and additional facilities. The building is now equipped with air conditioning and an elevator, and provides distinct locations for each sorority to live.

"It was a renovation to personal space and an upgrade," Assistant Dean of Students and Director of Housing and Residential Life Daniel Remley said.

Five million dollars was poured into the project, which Remley said will "strengthen the living and sorority existence. The building is now dedicated to sorority uses."

Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority member Jackie Millinder '04 will be moving into Hunt next semester.

"I am very excited about moving into Hunt," Millinder said.

Besides transferring to a newly remodeled building, Millinder and other sorority members will also benefit from larger common rooms designated to each sorority for their personal use.

The University attempted to provide equivalent accommodations to the sororities displaced by the renovation by housing the women in Vedder. The loss of 140 rooms due to construction called for adjustments to be made throughout campus. Smith Hall triples were made into quads, five students were placed in mods that normally housed four and addi-

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A. S. Kiken event: an evening of wine

By Aaron DeRosa
Senior Editor

Four empty glasses, one plastic cup, one green bucket, a carafe of water, two trays of cheese and grapes, two baskets of bread and crackers and nine bottles of wine. Last Tuesday, the University held its first wine tasting seminar in the Terrace Room.

The event was sponsored by the Office of the Dean of Students, University Relations and the Career Development Center (CDC).

University alumnus and owner of the Reverie Vineyard and Winery in Calistoga, Calif., Norm Kiken '64 hosted the event. Starting with an informal lecture regarding how he got into the wine business, Kiken introduced the crowd of about 100 to the production and distribution of wine.

The idea of a wine tasting at the University is not unique to this event.

"The wine tasting is nothing new," Dean of Students Kari Conrad said. "The Career Development Center used to have wine tasting as a part of its etiquette dinner."

In a semester that has also seen the introduction of pub nights to Uptown in an effort to promote responsible drinking, the idea of a wine tasting is not wholly without merit. The intention of the event, however, was completely different.

"The main thing to remember is that this wasn't a wine tasting 'party.' It was a 'seminar.' This was an opportunity for students to learn about the wine industry and wine etiquette," Conrad said.

Intended to be an introductory lesson, Kiken described the fermentation, pressing and aging process that goes into a harvest. The evening began with a slide show and short lecture followed by the wine tasting, during which Kiken answered questions regarding the entire process, as well as providing insight into types of wines that are appropriate at certain settings.

Additionally, Kiken demonstrated the proper eti-

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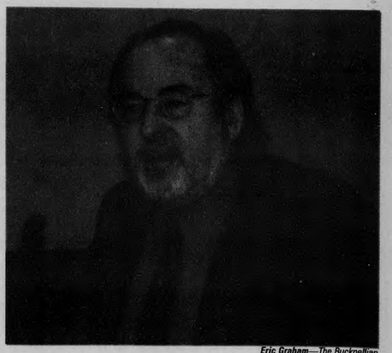

Eric Graham—*The Bucknellian*

Calling the University "an absolute disgrace," civil rights activist David Horowitz spoke about conservative politics and destructive liberal ideals.

Horowitz criticizes liberal ethic in speech

By Jeff Day
Staff Writer

David Horowitz captured the attention of students, faculty and citizens alike in the Gallery Theater on Monday night as he scornfully addressed leftist ideals and the University's education.

Horowitz, a lifelong civil rights activist, lectured to the audience and commented about "why he left the left." He stated that progressive had no way of redressing its wrongs, and witnessed too many murders go unpunished because of liberal beliefs.

"The left is always defending guilty people," Horowitz said.

According to Horowitz, leftists have been wrong about everything important in the 20th century. He feels that socialism is merely a fantasy about a world redeemed, and that there is truly no such thing as economic justice.

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Public Safety Log

Wednesday, Nov. 27

INFORMATION / ACT 64 DRUG VIOLATION—Public Safety responded to Trax Hall for the report of a bag containing a small amount of marijuana. Upon investigation, the report was determined to be unfounded.

Monday, Dec. 1

INFORMATION / ACT 64 DRUG VIOLATION—Public Safety responded to Martin House for the report of the odor of marijuana. Upon investigation, the report was determined to be unfounded.

INFORMATION—Public Safety responded to Edwards House for the report that unauthorized individual(s) entered a locked student's room over Thanksgiving break, left the refrigerator door open and placed food items on the floor outside the refrigerator. There were no visible signs of forced entry.

Tuesday, Dec. 2

INSTITUTIONAL VANDALISM—Public Safety responded to Kress Hall for the report of a broken window. A witness provided information about the individual who may have broken the window. The incident is under investigation.

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—Public Safety responded to an alarm activation at Carey House, which was caused by a fire extinguisher being discharged for no apparent reason. The incident is under investigation.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that 40 DVDs were taken from his locked Gateway Malesardi room during the Thanksgiving break. Upon returning to campus, a student found the room window open. The incident is under investigation.

ACT 64 / DRUG VIOLATION—Public Safety responded to Vedder Hall for the report of a confiscated bottle of alcohol with marijuana seeds inside. The bottle was taken from a Mod during room inspections. East Buffalo Township Police Department responded. The incident is under investigation and charges are pending.

INFORMATION / MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT—Public Safety responded to the intersection of Fraternity Road and Stadium Drive for the report of a motor vehicle accident, caused by one vehicle sliding through the intersection and striking a student vehicle. The operator of one vehicle was a visitor and stated that she was unable to stop due to slippery road conditions caused by a light snow. There were no injuries and minor vehicle damage.

INFORMATION / MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT—Public Safety responded to River Road for the report of a vehicle that slid into an embankment. The student who was operating the vehicle stated that he was unable to stop at the intersection as he was traveling south on South Seventh Street and slid across River Road into the bank due to road conditions from a light snow fall. East Buffalo Township Police Department responded. The vehicle was removed by a towing service. No injuries were received.

Wednesday, Dec. 3

INFORMATION / BROKEN WINDOW—Public Safety responded to Swartz Hall for the report of a broken window. Upon investigation, Public Safety determined the window had been broken accidentally by a student leaning against it.

INFORMATION—Public Safety responded to the Biology Building for the report of an employee who had struck her head when she slipped on ice outside the building. The individual was transported to Student Health Services for treatment and later returned to work.

New faculty evaluations approved

Trustees give nod to faculty-generated rating system

By Michelle Dombeck
Managing Editor

The Board of Trustees recently approved the faculty's proposal for faculty evaluations. This plan involves a new rating scale and the addition of a non-salary related annual review. New faculty evaluations under this plan will begin this spring.

Faculty members are pleased with the decision.

"It was a good proposal, and I'm happy to see it go through," Assistant Professor of Chemistry Alison Draper said. "Perhaps more importantly though, it's a signal that the trustees are willing to let us govern ourselves and design a system that we think most appropriate to evaluate ourselves."

According to Draper, this system is very similar to the one in place from 1998-2001. The old system evaluated tenured faculty every three years in the areas of teaching, scholarship and service on a quota-based 0-4 scale. The sum of these scores was used to determine how much merit pay a faculty member received.

The new system also evaluates faculty for merit-based salary increases triennially, but is on a 0-5 scale that is no longer quota-based. This allows faculty to be evaluated on objective standards rather than being compared to each other.

According to Provost and Vice-President for Academic Affairs Stephen Bowen, faculty members can now focus less on competition and more on their individual work.

In addition, there is also a new, annual evaluation that is not tied to salary increases.

"The purpose of these annual submissions is to enable the chair to advise colleagues who are having difficulty with a particular course of the availability of developmental support (such as course-development grants or summer teaching institutes) or other forms of assistance," said Michael Payne, professor of English and chair of the faculty. "This annual part of the process, in other words, is intended to emphasize development rather than evaluation."

Much effort was placed into making this plan one that would be acceptable to the faculty, trustees and administration.

"The faculty worked hard to meet the trustees' expectations, and the trustees were very supportive in responding to faculty concerns. The final product is one that the trustees find acceptable, that honors faculty priorities, and that the administration believes will be workable," Bowen said.

Now that the proposal has been approved, the faculty members will begin planning for the upcoming evaluations.

"It was particularly important that the new plan be approved at the Nov. 23 board meeting, since the faculty will need as much time as possible to gather the information that will serve as the basis for reviews to be conducted this coming spring," Bowen said. "Letters to the third of the faculty who will be reviewed this coming spring will be sent out this week."

Mr. Bucknell crowned

Tyler Kidder—*The Bucknellian*

The Mr. Bucknell contest was held two weeks ago in Larison Dining Hall. Garry Thaniel '04 was the winner.

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quette involved at a wine tasting, as well as in a business setting.

"In the business world, these things happen all the time," Conrad said. "We want students to know the etiquette involved in ordering a glass of wine at a restaurant while on business."

Students at each table engaged themselves in a discussion of the wine, speculating on the particular flavors and ingredients of the samples. The first selection, a white zinfandel, seemed to be everyone's least favorite because of its strong sweetness. Kiken explained that this particular wine, known popularly as a rosé wine, is technically white, though made from red grapes.

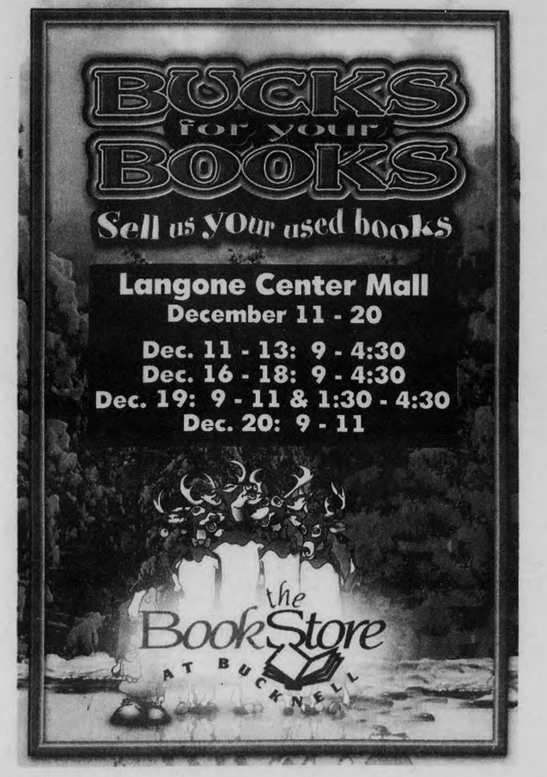
While Kiken fielded questions from the audience, servers provided six more samples for the tasters, ranging from chardonnay to pinot noir and merlot. One of the special wines featured was the A. S. Kiken red table wine, straight from Kiken's Napa Valley vineyard.

"My favorite wines were the reds, especially the cabernet franc and the A.S. Kicken wine," Alison Landgraf '03 said. "I always seem to prefer the reds because they're not as sweet as white wines can be."

At one point, each participant tried to imitate the proper wine tasting technique that Kiken demonstrated, swirling and aerating the wine within the mouth before swallowing. Taking proper care to cleanse the palate with the provided cheese and bread, each taster was able to compare seven wines in all, many side-by-side, to determine their personal preference.

Students did not hesitate to take advantage of Kiken's first-hand experience with wine, asking candidly for advice on the best value in wine for a college student. Kiken recommended Australian wines like shiraz, or Chilean brands. As a finale, students were treated to a final sample of cabernet sauvignon, an expensive and acclaimed red wine from the Reverie Vineyard.

The wines were all generously donated by Kiken and fellow Bucknell alums Ed Farver '69, general manager of the Cardinale and Pepe brands at Kendall-Jackson Wine Estates and Berenger Blass Wine Estates Vice President of Sales David Biggar '82.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RAC

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violate any safety codes. At the time the new RAC first opened there was a big rush to use the new facility. The increased student usage of the facility affects the amount of memberships that can be offered.

"We are tremendously pleased with the student utility—during some hours of the day all aerobic equipment and most anaerobic machines are in use. If that continues, we will obviously have to curtail outside memberships, or restrict the hours of allowable use," Bromfield said.

The administration is still trying to understand the usage patterns of students to find out if the high student volume continues. Usage rates are being carefully monitored through the checking of identification at the door.

"We will need to see how many people are using the facilities and at what hours in order to have staff on duty to reduce risks. If someone were to get hurt, Bucknell would have a liability and we have to be cognizant of that fact," Rogers said.

Although community members have an interest in using University facilities as they have in the past, the facility was built primarily for student use and secondarily for faculty usage.

"If we permit outside memberships to continue, we have several categories to consider—present members, alumni and donors, longstanding community supporters and adult members of Bucknell employees' families. All deserve consideration, but we cannot displace students and present staff, nor can we ignore risk management issues," Bromfield said.

There are other outside stakeholders as well. The new RAC does not want to compete with local providers and health clubs.

"We don't want to be competitors with any other facility in the area. However, we also want to be a good neighbor and contributing member of the community," Rogers said.

Tyler Kidder—*The Bucknellian*

Construction continues at the Recreation and Athletic Center. The University administration is currently reviewing the policy for community memberships at the new center.

"After we weigh all those factors, and continue to evaluate usage patterns as the rest of the Recreation and Athletic Center opens, we will be in a position to communicate a final policy on outside memberships. It is likely that a limited number of memberships may become available," Bromfield said.

Originally, the administration was to decide on the new policy prior to Dec. 1, so that any policy change on third party memberships could be effective by Jan. 1, 2003. The new goal is to have a formal policy announced sometime in January, although that policy may not be finalized until the next fiscal year, beginning July 1, 2003.

"We will extend the process until we feel comfortable with the decision. We don't want to leave the impression with the community that we don't want to [extend memberships], we just want to do the right thing for Bucknell and the community," Rogers said.

News

World Briefs

Compiled by Elisabeth Salemme
Courtesy of MSNBC.com

Indonesia seizes alleged terrorist

JAKARTA, Indonesia—Indonesian police have arrested the alleged operations chief of an al-Qaida-linked terror group that has been blamed for the Oct. 12 bombings on Bali, the nation's police chief said Wednesday.

Iraq; VP labels inspectors "spies"

As the White House expressed serious doubts about the search for banned weapons in Iraq, Baghdad lashed out at U.N. inspectors on Wednesday, calling them American and Israeli spies. The United States called for the inspectors to intensify their work by staging multiple, simultaneous weapons checks to ensure that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein meets disarmament demands. They visited two sites on Wednesday—a nuclear facility and a chemical and biological weapons plant—but it was not known what, if anything, was found.

Two bombs found at IKEA stores

AMSTERDAM, Netherlands—Two Dutch policemen were wounded when one of two bombs found in outlets of the IKEA home goods chain exploded as they were trying to defuse it on Wednesday. All 10 stores in the Netherlands belonging to the Swedish company were closed while police searched for more explosives.

Scientists offer genetic code for a mouse

LOS ANGELES—Scientists in six countries have published nearly the entire genetic makeup of the mouse, an accomplishment they say could reveal new insights into how humans have evolved. The working draft, which lays out the laboratory animal's startling similarity to people, should also streamline the fundamental role that mice already play in the study of human diseases.

Mammograms may detect heart ills

CHICAGO—Mammograms may be able to do more than detect breast cancer. New research suggests they can also reveal signs of an even greater threat to women—heart disease.

Mom allegedly tries to sell son for bail money

WESTMINSTER, MD—A Carroll County mother is facing charges Tuesday night after police say she tried to sell her baby for bail money.

More priest sex abuse allegations

BOSTON—Thousands of newly released personnel files show that the Archdiocese of Boston went to great lengths to hide priests accused of abuse, including clergy who allegedly snorted cocaine and had sex with girls aspiring to be nuns. Many of the allegations have not been proven, but one priest told *The Boston Globe* that he did have sexual relationships with teen-age girls because he was trying to show them "what it would be like with Christ."

Clinton offers advice to Democrats

NEW YORK—Addressing Democratic leaders for the first time since their midterm election losses, former President Bill Clinton urged the party Tuesday to present a new, unified message with national security and a revived economy as priorities. Clinton said a lack of clarity on those issues was where Democrats fell short in this year's races.

Bank accused of taking odd deposits

A New York bank on Wednesday pleaded guilty to failing to report a stunning $123 million in suspicious deposits, which prosecutors say were obvious attempts by depositors to launder money. One reason the government was eager to stop the practice is that it could be used by terrorists or other criminals trying to stay below the financial radar.

United States rules offer schools flexibility

WASHINGTON—The Education Department promised Tuesday to give states more flexibility in defining the annual progress their schools must achieve to meet strict accountability standards in a new federal education law. Final regulations issued by the department to implement the law provide "additional flexibility wherever possible" to help states measure their progress, officials said.

Honda least-polluting automaker

WASHINGTON—Honda produces the least-polluting vehicle fleet in the U.S. market, while Daimler Chrysler is at the bottom of the list of automakers selling environmentally friendly cars, according to a survey from the Union of Concerned Scientists.

Conservatives Club receives national coverage on "Counterweight" issue

By Rachel Laskow
Senior Editor

The Bucknell University Conservatives Club (BUCC) received national coverage in the November 2002 issue of "The Campus Report," a newspaper published by Accuracy in America (AIA). "Staff of Bucknell Conservative Paper Threatened at Secret Meeting," by *Campus Report* Managing Editor Sara Russo, talks about the meeting that was held at the University after the release of the Oct. 4 issue of "The Counterweight."

"I'm still impressed that this story made it to a national publication. I think this shows the significance of what's happened. If what went on is normal or acceptable, I doubt it would have been covered," BUCC President Denise Chaykun '04 said.

The Daily Item also covered this issue a few weeks ago, but according to "The Counterweight" Editor-in-Chief Charles Mitchell '05, the *Campus Report* reaches a much broader audience.

"I think the fact that the people at AIA thought our story was compelling enough to take up a page and a half shows just how heavy-handed the administration's treatment of the BUCC and free expression in general is, and how apparent it is to people who don't have their offices in Marts Hall or the Langone Center," Mitchell said.

According to Russo, the *Campus Report* was moved to cover the issue because it presented a clear-cut case of administrative bias against a conservative organization, which was excluded from a secret meeting held about its own publication.

"Our mission at Accuracy in America is to restore higher education to its original purpose, which we believe is to search for truth," Russo said. "We believe that there is an overwhelming left-wing bias on most college campuses that prevents conservative viewpoints from being heard, and so when we hear about instances in which conservative students or faculty members are being denied equal treatment, we do our best to publicize these instances so that the situation can be remedied."

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Russo read the articles "1st Amendment protects even blackface," by Tom Elliot '03, and "Bias-related harassment, or just plain BS?" by Michael Boland '03 in the Oct. 4 "Counterweight" and did not find any racial bias or insensitivity.

"I think the most interesting facet of the story was the decision to call a meeting about 'The Counterweight' articles in the first place," Russo said.

Mitchell said he has not heard anything from the administration about the *Campus Report* article.

"That's part of the problem—it seems that they think they can ignore us and we will go away. But it's not that simple," Mitchell said.

Dean of Students Richard Ferraro said he did not read the article and could not comment on it.

"I think that this situation has clearly gotten out of hand because the administration fails to admit that it acted unprofessionally and with undue bias towards 'The Counterweight'," Russo said.

Campus Report Editor Dan Flynn will be speaking on campus next semester. According to Mitchell, Flynn is not coming to the University because he is editor of the *Campus Report*; he is coming here to talk about his new book "Why the Left Hates America: Exposing the Lies that Have Obscured our Nation's Greatness."

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"This University is an absolute disgrace because there are no conservatives on the administrative board," Horowitz said.

According to Horowitz, students cannot receive a good education if they are only being told half of the story even if they are paying more than $30,000 a year.

Audience members were told that the University is close-minded to conservative ideas and, although University students study the readings of liberal authors Karl Marx and Howard Zinn, there are no required readings of the conservative approach toward economics.

Charles Mitchell, editor of "The Counterweight," was thrilled with the attendance at Horowitz's speech and agreed with much of what was said. Mitchell believes that students need to be educated by a balanced faculty, and that an overabundance of conservative professors would be a problem as well.

"We need to start looking into the reason for the exclusion of conservative professors," Mitchell said.

Horowitz further stated that he withdrew from the progressive party due to the destructive nature of the left.

"Socialism is a stupid, evil, destructive and bankrupt idea that is being taught at Bucknell today," Horowitz said. "For the past 50 years, every inner city in America and every school board has been controlled by the left, and thus the cause of their demise."

The 20th century has been one of genocides, including the leftist belief to allow communists to win the Vietnam War.

"Hidden by the slogan, 'Bring the Troops Home Now,' liberals merely wanted us to lose the war," Horowitz said.

He also commented on the Living Wage movement at the University. Horowitz stated that if you try to organize a society where everyone has enough money, you end up with a society where everyone is poor. He also stands against affirmative action and asked, "Who accomplished anything by lowering the bar?"

"Horowitz spoke in a logical manner and made many good points to which I agree," Scott Messinger '06 said. "However, he did a lot of complaining instead of saying how things can be changed."

Much of Horowitz's "complaining" centered on the United States being blamed and ridiculed for its foreign policy. He stated that the Middle East is poor because of the Middle Easterners that run it, Iraq is not being attacked for oil, but rather for our citizen's safety and that Palestinians may be the worst enemy that we have ever faced.

The United States has a conscience and is the only country in which its foreign policy and national security are directed by minorities.

"We are systematically being taught to despise our country and be embarrassed by it instead of being proud of it," Horowitz said. "If you cannot be proud of your country, you cannot defend yourself."

According to Denise Chaykun, president of the Conservatives Club, David Flint will be speaking in February, and the club hopes to have actor Ben Stein speak to the campus about his new book, "Why the Left Hates America: Expressing the Lies that Have Obscured our Nation's Greatness."

HOUSING

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begin next year.

"It was always understood that going forward with our plans would depend on our ability to foresee a positive future for the affected neighborhoods," Pollock said. "If the task force looking at alternative futures were to find only bleak ones, then our plans could not go forward in either the borough's or the University's interests."

Pollock said the task force will consider what can replace the current student rentals in the nearby neighborhoods.

Issues that Pollock said the board will consider are whether or not owner-occupied, single-family housing will ever work in the area again, given the current condition of some of the properties, whether or not the land can be put to commercial or recreational use, what, if any, consequences there would be to the borough's tax base and if an appealing solution cannot be reached, what the negative outcomes would be likely.

Pollock said the administration will prepare a comprehensive background paper for the Trustee meeting in January, to articulate all the pros and cons a change in housing policy would have.

"What are the educational issues, the safety issues, the town-gown relations issues and so forth? Also, since money is tight, how would Bucknell pay for new land and for new structures—borrowing, for example? We will include the viewpoints of the many constituencies we've heard from—neighbors, current students, parents, landlords and many others, as well as student life professionals—and we will report any early findings of the task force," Pollock said. "The idea is to make the most informed decision possible, leaving no stone unturned as far as considerations go."

According to Dean of Students Richard Ferraro, it would only be possible to bring students back on campus if appropriate apartment-style housing would be available.

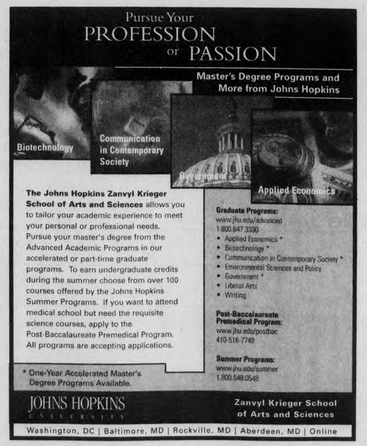
"I am excited about the potential of building brand new condo-type housing on campus," Ferraro said.

According to Ferraro, if students are brought back on campus, the money paid as rent will be able to support the construction of these buildings.

"It is like building a house," Ferraro said. "The buildings will be paid for over time, especially because of the state of the economy."

Ferraro said he does not think anything will be done about housing students on campus in the near future due to the economy, the high interest of students to live downtown and the landlords' opposition to moving students out of the downtown area.

"People are much better now than when I first started working at Bucknell," Ferraro said. "There are fewer fist-fights, fewer situations with loudness and students have improved overall downtown."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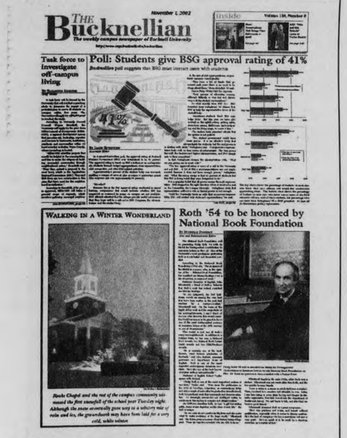
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News

University looks for edge on competition

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ing the Board of Trustees decision due to the compressed enrollment season for athletics.

Nearly all of the funding necessary to support the basketball merit aid awards has been raised, but if the remaining amount is not donated, the Bison Club has promised to supplement the fund, according to Vice President of Enrollment Management Kurt Thiede and Pollock.

The money necessary for four of the 36 non-athletic awards is available so far, but according to Thiede the University expects more contributions to be made toward the merit aid fund now that it has been approved.

Since the enrollment season is already in progress, merit aid will not be used as a recruitment tool for the Class of 2007, and only the scholarships for which funding is available by March 1 will be awarded.

"We will proceed as normal with our admissions program and start building our projection matrices to get a sense of how many acceptances we will offer and in which categories," Thiede said. "Then we will see when March 1 approaches what merit aid money we have to spend and we will determine out of these groups, students will receive merit scholarships."

Funding for all 42 scholarships is expected to be available to the Class of 2008, and merit aid will become part of admissions publicity in the recruitment of this class.

"Next year we ought to be able to use merit aid to attract students who wouldn't have otherwise applied," Pollock said.

The 42 total awards outlined by the pilot plan will affect roughly 5 percent of the accepted class when the plan is fully implemented. Ten of these awards will be given to no-need students, while the remaining 32 will be offered to students demonstrating financial need. Roughly 3 percent of the total financial aid budget will be appropriated to merit aid, and 1 percent of the budget will awarded to no-need students

"The whole merit-based program, beyond need or no-need, is very modest. Given our total financial aid commitment that is primarily need-based, it is really a drop in the ocean," Pollock said. "The reason for that is that we want to do this in a very controlled and contained fashion, then choose to continue it or not continue it after three years."

The pilot program was designed with three-year limit, after which the Committee on Admissions and Financial Aid expects to have collected enough data to determine the future of the program. The Board of Trustees plans to review this information in September 2005.

"The hope is that we will amass data that will give people the confidence that we can control this and that it achieves the purpose we said it would," Pollock said.

The Board of Trustees conceptually approved the goals of merit aid during its April 27 meeting, at which point the board commissioned the Committee on Admissions and Financial Aid to draft a preliminary plan for merit aid implementation, abiding by several limitations.

Specific expectations established by the Board of Trustees included developing a finance plan involving fundraising, maintaining the current socioeconomic environment of the University, limiting the non-athletic to athletic dollars spent to a 3-1 ratio and establishing annual goals for review.

"There were many expectations when the plan was put together—performing arts, diversity, academics and athletics were all features that we wanted to consider," Thiede said. "We need to build a program design that would address and balance these different variables while giving us enough impact to yield students in each of these areas."

Thiede likened the University's conscientious approach to merit aid to a marketing strategy that the University will utilize to attract future students.

"In my experiences with other institutions, this is by far the most cautious approach to merit aid I have seen. At present, Bucknell is in such a strong position and does not require a more aggressive merit scholarship plan," Thiede said. "However, in terms of planning for the future, this gives us an opportunity to test merit scholarships at Bucknell within the student market"

According to Thiede, the University has no intention of drastically altering any aspect of the admissions pool, just expanding the margins to include some of the students it was previously able to attract but not enroll.

"I think that the quality of our pool has been so strong that I don't anticipate that the existence of a merit program at Bucknell is necessarily going to generate a different kind of quality," Thiede said. "In the recent past we just haven't been competitive enough to enroll as many of our top-flight applicants as we would like."

Despite some opposition to the implementation of merit aid, both Pollock and Thiede described the merit aid program as simply an extension to the University's commitment to maintaining its socioeconomic background and increasing awareness of its commitment to accommodating the financial needs of all students.

"If we did unanimously believe that merit aid was evil and a financial mistake of epic proportions, it would behoove us to be cognizant of, but ignore, what other institutions are doing," Pollock said. "We don't believe that. We recognize that if we can do as we have committed to do, we will not diminish our commitment to need-based aid and to providing access to all students, regardless of their socioeconomic circumstances."

Vedder construction to begin in the spring

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tional individuals were placed into converted rooms in other dormitories across campus.

"All space was reviewed and the most appropriate 140 spaces were chosen," Remley said.

Construction in both Hunt and Vedder is taking place during the same academic school year to minimize the discomfort of housing complications. After the sororities move out, their wing will undergo construction as part of phase one renovation in Vedder.

Phase two will occur in the center and west wings over the summer and is to be completed before the next fall semester begins. Housing will be appropriately regulated next fall.

"The intention is to resort back to the 2001-2002 model, which should see an increased number of singles and a reduction of quads to triples and triples to doubles," Remley said.

Millinder, who has lived in Vedder over the past semester, said he has very few complaints about the building.

"I like living in Vedder," she said. "I would say the only bad thing about is that the rooms aren't in the best shape."

Others feel more strongly about the building's current condition.

Chaz Wattles '06 complained about the faulty plumbing, which has caused him scalding hot showers on many occasions.

A budget of approximately $6 million was initially planned for the renovation of the building and the implementation of additional programs for within. Due to the financial implications of 9/11, the projected budget could not be met.

"We took a substantial hit since the market downturn," Remley said. "Vedder was more expensive then originally expected."

The University has decided to only go forward with the most pressing issues within Vedder.

The improvements in Vedder are to be "more structural in nature," according to Remley, who also said there will be an infrastructure change, the plumbing will be updated and the bathrooms will be improved.

Remley feels this addresses the main concerns students voiced about Vedder. All changes in Hunt and Vedder are being done with student involvement.

"We are always interested in student input and we try incorporating them when we do such a project," Remley said.

Since each wing of Vedder is wired separately for plumbing and heating, student life will not be greatly disturbed by the renovation.

The primary concern students have is the issue of noise that results from the construction.

"They have Hunt Hall under construction, which is across the way, and sometimes that could be annoying even though it isn't part of our building," Residence Hall Association Secretary/ Treasurer Katie O'Brien '06 said.

After Vedder has been fully renovated Swartz Hall is next in line, but no date has been set on this project.

"Clearly we want to continue upgrading facilities both large and small, for program opportunities as well as structural ones," Remley said.

The sisters of Chi Omega held its first "Walk for a Wish" for the Make-A-Wish Foundation on Nov. 24. The walk was held to raise the money necessary to fund a trip to Hawaii for Amanda, a Mifflinburg child suffering from leukemia.

Gretchen Schrock—*The Bucknellian*

Events Calendar

Dec. 6 FRI

CDC Jumpstart (Taylor 210) **1-2 p.m.**

Open House (Art Barn) **4-6 p.m.**

Shabbat Service and Dinner (Center for Jewish Life) **5:30 p.m.**

Feast of St. Nicholas (Newman House) **5-7 p.m.**

Susquehanna Valley Mall Shuttle (Downhill LC) **6 p.m.**

Christians in Action (McDonnell Hall 241) **6-10 p.m.**

Kwanzaa Celebration (LC 213) **7-8 p.m.**

Holiday Gift Making (Craft Center) **7-11 p.m.**

Holiday Card Making (LC 233) **7-11 p.m.**

Bucknell Dance Company's fall preformance: The Flipster (Harvey Powers Theatre) **8 p.m.**

Delta Gamma Karaoke (Uptown) **9:30 p.m.**

BINGO (Bostwick Cafeteria) **10 p.m.**

"Zoolander" (LC Forum) **10:30 p.m.**

Mark Bodino (7th Street Café) **11 p.m.**

Dec. 7 SAT

New York Trip (Downhill LC) **7 a.m.**

French Club: Afternoon at Cowan **1:30-4 p.m.**

CDC Immigration Seminar (LC 304) **3-5 p.m.**

Susquehanna Valley Mall (Downhill LC) **3 p.m. & 6 p.m.**

Anime Society Viewing (LC 301) **4-6:30 p.m.**

Catholic Mass (Rooke Chapel) **5:30 p.m.**

Kwanzaa Dinner (Terrace Room) **7 p.m.**

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We Brake for Nobody (LC Forum) **9 p.m.**

"Brothers and Sisters Empowered" Freestyle Contest (Uptown) **9:30 p.m.**

"Mr. Deeds" (Vaughan Lit. Auditorium) **10:30 p.m.**

Dec. 8 SUN

Interdenominational Service (Rooke Chapel) **11 a.m.**

Catholic Mass (Vaughan Lit. Auditorium) **11:30 a.m.**

Nutrition Program (Larison 130) **3-6 p.m.**

Anime Society Viewing (LC 301) **4-6:30 p.m.**

Catholic Mass (Rooke Chapel) **4 p.m.**

Circle K Meeting (LC 302) **6:30-8:30 p.m.**

Sunday Night Prayer (Taylor 115) **9-10 p.m.**

Catholic Mass (Larison Dining Hall) **10 p.m.**

Dec. 9 MON

Zen Meditation (Meditation Chapel) **4 p.m.**

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Cocktail Theatre: One Act Plays (Tustin Theatre) **5 p.m.**

The Women's Resource Center presents: "Voices of Women and Men on Women's Issues: A Poetry Reading" (Bucknell Hall) **8 p.m.**

ONLY ONE DAY OF CLASSES LEFT!

Dec. 10 TUE

Cocktail Theatre: "You Can't Trust the Male" (Tustin Theatre) **5 p.m.**

Career Network Nights (LC 272) **5-6 p.m.**

Student Poetry Reading (Bucknell Hall) **7 p.m.**

Santa Claus is Coming Out (Swartz 011) **8-10 p.m.**

Night Before Exams A Capella Concert (LC 015) **9-11 p.m.**

Dec. 11 WED

Dec. 12 THU

Samek Art Gallery

Lewis deSoto
Paranirvana (Self-portrait)
Oct. 28 to Dec. 8

Elizabeth Newman
"Artist, Object, Installation, Meaning"
Nov. 3 to Dec. 8

The information on these events is subject to change. Some events are open to members of an organization only.

The sporting event calendar continues to run in the Sports section, this week on page B5.

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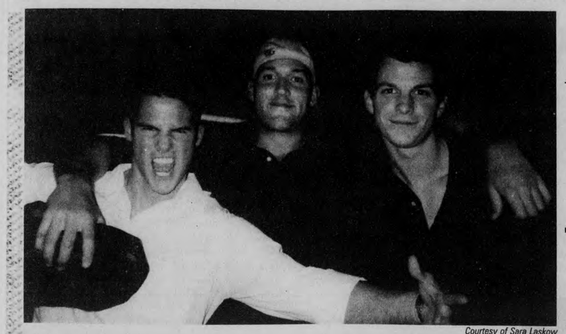

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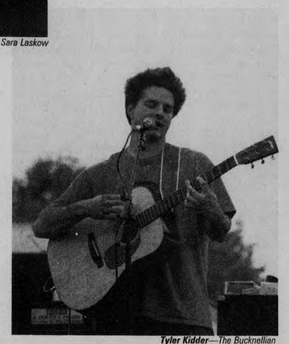
"I don't consider 'The Real World' admirable or an accomplishment, but at least I got a chance-of-a-lifetime experience that I'll never forget."
*—**Frank Roessler** '01*

"I thought it was a nuclear bomb—there was utter devastation, twisted metal and buildings on fire."
*—NYC Fire Chief **Richard Picciotto***



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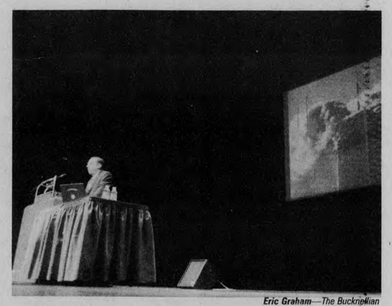

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Famous Faces: (Clockwise from top left) "The Real World's" Frank Roessler '01 (R), Dispatch's Pete Francis, NYC Fire Chief Richard Picciotto, "Patch" Adams, Howie Day, Pa. Governor Ed Rendell (R) and Author Toni Morrison (L)

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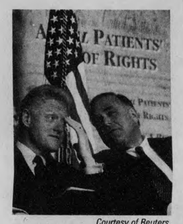

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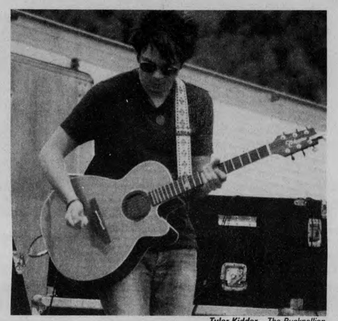

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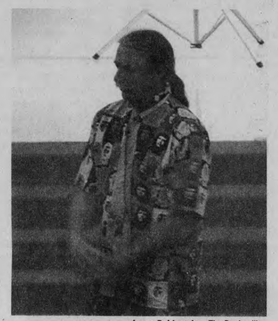

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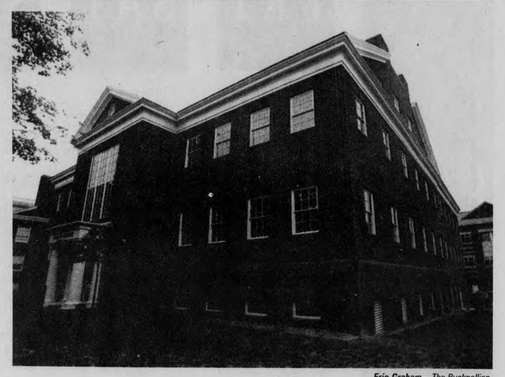

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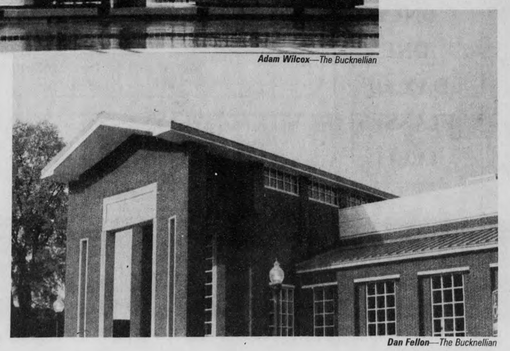

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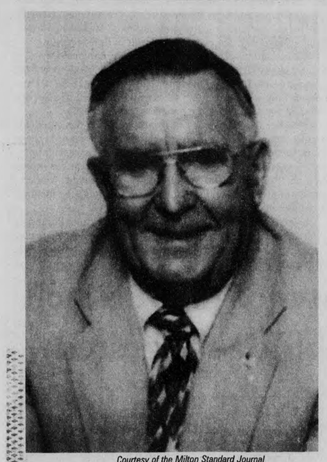
Remembrance, Reflection, Renewal: Sept. 11, 2002

Matt Vanaskie—The Bucknellian

"We all experienced fear that day. And anger. And doubt. And grief. And so much confusion. But Bucknell's essence prevailed and it kept prevailing in the days and weeks that followed . We rallied in support of one another. And who can forget the blue ribbons of solidarity, the private moments of consolation, the public moments of memorial."
*—Vice President for Student Affairs **Charles Pollock** '70*

Matt Vanaskie—The Bucknellian

Reflecting on FALL 2002



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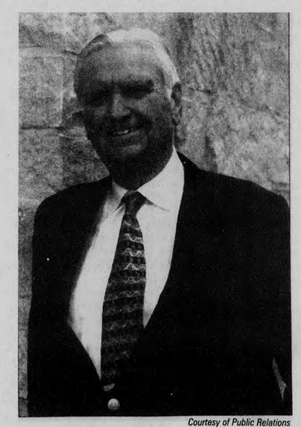
Mourning: Mayor Lewis Hendricks Jr. (top left), Robert Streeter '38 (bottom left) and Bob Smith '39 (below)



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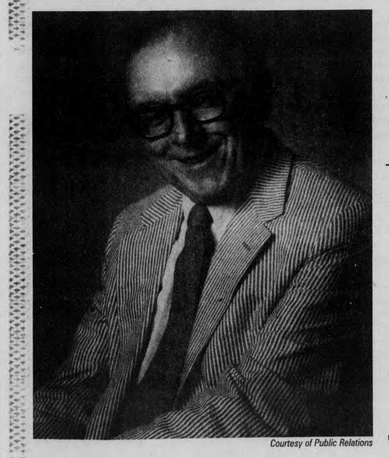

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*—Professor of Biology **Gary Sojka***

New Faces: (from top) Judy Wagner (Lewisburg mayor), Rivka Ulmer (MacArthur Chair of Jewish Studies) and Shauna Irwin (assistant director of fraternity and sorority affairs)

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The Bucknellian Editorial

Off-campus housing valued by students

University should focus its attention and resources on more pertinent issues

The Board of Trustees will be meeting in January to decide whether a previous resolution to move students back on campus should remain in effect. When the resolution first passed, students were involved in many downtown disturbances, such as noise violations and fighting. Many of the problems that once existed have greatly subsided since the decision to make the University completely residential was made. *The Bucknellian* strongly urges the Board of Trustees to reconsider this resolution and allow off-campus housing to remain permissible indefinitely.

Students living downtown appreciate the independence associated with not living in University-run housing and value having a "real-life" experience. Although it may seem trivial to some, bill-paying and maintaining a personal residence are considered invaluable to many students.

It is not simply the "adult" responsibilities that attract student to downtown living, nor is it simply the desire to party more easily. Students want the opportunity to experience all of the aspects associated with independent living, including the secondary advantages of being able to decorate with candles or cook on a George Forman Grill.

The University currently moderates off-campus living by limiting the number of students permitted to live downtown. If the administration determines that past behavior of a student renders him or her incapable of assuming the responsibilities of living downtown, they are well within their authority to reject that student's application. The real issue that the University faces is not students living off campus, rather, it is the inconsiderate students living off campus that it must regulate.

Students living off campus provide a crucial link between the University and Lewisburg. It is important for students to have the opportunity to interact with the downtown residents and expand the University community into the town community. Isolating students from the town will intensify negative town-gown relations because there will no longer be a common ground between students and residents.

Furthermore, moving students back to campus would result in many residences downtown without tenants. This would result in a financial burden both on the landlords of these building and the merchants that depend on student shoppers.

Admissions may be affected by limiting the University as an entirely residential campus. Living options are an aspect of university life that many students consider before making the decision to apply or enroll in a school, and the University may be overlooked by prospective students or labeled as a strict and intolerant institution.

Most importantly, however, is that off-campus housing is insignificant in relation to many of the other issues plaguing the University, such as budget imbalances. Purchasing land or building additional living quarters on campus is unfeasible for the University given the current state of the economy.

The administration has admitted that downtown behavior has improved significantly over the last few years, which even further indicates that this is not necessarily a "crisis" which needs to be dealt with immediately. So what are the current motives for moving all students back on campus?

The University needs to focus its attention on the more relevant on-campus issues that affect the entire student body, not just the 10 percent that elect to live in town.

University misunderstands the true meaning of diversity and free speech

By Aaron Hanlon
Staff Writer

Unless you have spent the last few months in a perpetual drunken haze, you are probably aware that free speech and true diversity are undergoing an onslaught of challenges and restrictions on college campuses across America. In case the implications of speech codes and recent events that have occurred in our own backyard have not been disturbing enough, the latest from Harvard Law School might nudge you over the edge. Given the similarities between the Harvard Law predicament and our domestic speech-code crisis, it might impetuously launch you over the edge and see you plummet into an abyss of dissatisfaction with anti-constitutional restrictions that threaten your freedom. Hopefully.

In reaction to some distasteful comments, among them a Harvard Law professor's assertion that feminism, Marxism and black studies have "contributed nothing" to tort law, Harvard's Black Law Students Association has spearheaded a campaign to institute a speech code that would ban "offensive" language from the classroom. Such a code would be drafted by the recently-formed Committee on Healthy Diversity (yes, it is actually called that). Interestingly enough, the title "Committee on Healthy Diversity" is strikingly similar to that of our "Committee for Campus Diversity."

Not only are both titles misnomers in that the actions and rhetoric of both committees have so far consistently stifled true diversity in defining "diversity" roughly as "skin color" and refusing to define "offensive" or "derogatory," the goals of these committees are nearly identical and identically insidious.

Just as the Harvard Committee on Healthy Diversity is attempting to create a speech code that would punish students and professors for using "offensive" speech by means of a "discrimination harassment policy," the University's Committee for Campus Diversity has outlined in its Campus Diversity Report that Bucknell's "bias-related harassment protocol" seeks to "eliminate derogatory remarks." The language is eerily similar.

The idea that any governing body or committee of university administrators and students could possibly create an adequate definition of "offensive" or "derogatory" regarding speech is insane.

As Harvard alumnus and current professor at American University Law School Jamin Raskin pointedly remarked, "All speech offends someone. The idea of cracking down on speech is ridiculous."

Speech is not the only casualty of the the Bucknell "diversity" crusades. True diversity, in its most apolitical sense, is being threatened by speech codes and "diversity" committees. Renowned constitutional law expert, O.J. Simpson legal defender and all-around liberal champion Alan Dershowitz (who happens also to be a professor on the Harvard Committee on Healthy Diversity) sees the mentality of the Black Law Students Association as a threat to true diversity: "When I hear blacks saying 'I want more blacks' or liberals saying 'I want more liberals' that doesn't seem like diversity—that sounds like self-serving pleading."

Supporters of the Harvard "discrimination harassment policy" have rebuked Dershowitz's comment by suggesting that not all blacks or liberals think alike, so "diversifying" Harvard Law School by intentionally admitting more students of a particular race would not necessarily result in homogeneity.

Counterintuitively, our Committee for Campus Diversity has indirectly disputed this point advocated by the Harvard Committee on Healthy Diversity: Not "thinking alike" translates to intellectual diversity; an essential criterion of diversity that has not been considered at all by the Bucknell.

Whether by coincidence or by the mores of this multiculturalist milieu, both schools can learn from each other in these trials. If the supporters of the "discrimination harassment policy" proposal could recognize the social turmoil that has resulted from the apocryphal "right to feel comfortable" and the attacks on free speech at the University, they might be inclined to reevaluate their reasoning.

Likewise, if Bucknell could recognize the broader definition of diversity that has been borne out of the Harvard dialogue, we might be able to work toward enhancement of true diversity and freedom.

Focusing on negatives highlights problems

By Phil Martoma
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I was once asked by another person, "What if anything, do you like about Bucknell?" It seems there is a commonly held perception that I hate everything about this school.

Also, if you have paid any attention to my articles in previous editions of *The Bucknellian*, you will find a certain (admitted) trend among my articles that tend to bash something if not everything about this university.

I've decided to do something different and to write instead about what it is that I like about this university.

This university has a wonderful academic reputation and does offer a wide variety of academic challenges for its students. I am also given a wide range of opportunities to meet and interact with my professors outside of the classroom.

So what, do I dislike about the University and why does it compose most of what I have to say about it?

I believe it stems from a number of little problems that compile into a larger one.

At the University, there are many cultural events where it sometimes appears with the similarities in people's clothing, race, sexual orientation, social and economic class that you can meet the exact same person over and over again.

Being a vegan, I was first confronted with the challenge of finding food to eat while I was here. The cultural homogeneity that defines this campus seemed to also apply in the area of what students will be offered to eat.

But now, after losing much weight from eating the same nutritionally deficient meal over and over again, I have come to the conclusion that I really like portabello mushroom sandwiches with a side of fries.

In fact, I particularly like having that, and only that, to choose from. Why waste time deciding between chicken and tuna melts, when you can have neither?

Still this satisfaction does not solve my problem of eating nutritionally deficient meals throughout most of the year. It also doesn't solve the problem of the cultural norm that people too rarely try to stick out of.

I like walking on an overly manicured lawn to get to the library to study for class, even knowing full well that the University is spending so much to make that walk pleasant and almost nothing to give a living wage to the person behind the counter at the Bison who made my portabello mushroom sandwich.

I have found in the past, that to dwell on the wonderful walk on the lawn would make me forget about the plight of the workers who still don't make a reasonable salary.

There are many things I like about this university that are tied with things that I don't like. I have always figured that focusing on what I don't like will probably make the problems more noticeable, and also apt to be solved.

Existence of Bucknell "bubble" suggested

By Kevin Brown
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In a startling revelation this past Tuesday, the Committee For At Least A Little Social Awareness (CFLALSA) released the findings of a three-year, $4 million study that concluded that there is more than apathy preventing University students from learning about events that take place in the outside world. CFLALSA deployed 12 internationally renowned scientists to the University in 1999, after a survey revealed that only 17 percent of the student body knew that Ronald Reagan was no longer president.

At a press conference on Tuesday, head scientist Dr. Matthew Werder said, "When I first arrived here, I was sure that the lack of cultural and social literacy had to do with Maxim and Cosmopolitan being the only periodicals in the library being read by students. But now, through extensive research we have determined that the hole in the ozone layer, combined with a strong magnetic field and the northern lights, keep this campus completely unaware of national and even local news." Dr. Werder then said, "Vote Reagan in 2004!"

Response from the campus varied widely, but one student, Nicole Lordan , said, "I was shocked to hear that Ronald Regan isn't president anymore, but mainly I was relieved to hear that my lack of current event knowledge is not through any fault of my own." Lordan, a senior marketing major, will graduate next semester with a perfect 4.0 grade point average.

Other students claim the results of the study to be inaccurate, citing that since the dorms are not equipped with cable in each room they are unable to stay current with news. First-year student Jeffery Maiore was quoted as saying, "If I had easy access to a television I would definitely sit down and watch 'Meet the Press' and 'The O'Reilly Factor' at least once a week." By calling Maiore's mother, one can discount his statement as pure fiction because I learned that his viewing habits at home include mostly "Alf" reruns and tapes of the canceled show "The Weakest Link."

This astonishing study, which will appear as a two-part docu-drama on NBC later this month, concludes its report by saying, "Although over 80 percent of University students knew more about current events when they had to bring in a current event each week in elementary school, it is most definitely not their fault. It is purely the exact geographical location of the school that brings this condition upon the student body."

University administration had no comment at the time this issue went to print, but our inside sources have learned that it is already in the works to have daily newspapers delivered to students doors each morning.

The only question that now remains is whether or not the papers will vaporize when they cross the barrier of the real world and enter the perfect green Utopia that is the University.

Opinions

Democratic urban politics exposed in "8 Mile"

By Tom Elliott
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"8 Mile" is a good movie. It's not good because it has great actions sequences, strong character development, interesting foreshadowing, unusual manipulation of the themes or for anything else movie critics often base their opinions on.

I enjoyed it because I was expecting it to be another overdone, expensive, Hollywood production; refreshingly, it was not. Also, it brought to light a couple important issues about Democratic politics—possibly inadvertently, as director Curtis Hanson isn't exactly a card-carrying conservative.

There could have been very dramatic sequences with car chases, nauseating violence or a heart-wrenching love story; yet there were none of these things. Instead, it's a simple story about a poor white guy trying to escape the dissoluteness of the ghetto, doing so using the seemingly only talent he was born with—an ability to rap creatively and in a lyrically—smooth manner. In so doing, the story provides a keen insight into what being impoverished is all about—and it's not what you hear America's most prominent liberals harp about day-in and day-out.

Liberals will lead you to believe that a ghetto is a ghetto because it's comprised of black people, and because racism so devastatingly pervades our society, such a dense population of black people inevitably creates these imploding destitute heighborhoods.

White people live in ghettos too, and racism isn't the cause of their poverty. Marshall Mathers, a.k.a. Eminem—playing the role of Jimmy Smith, or Bunny Rabbit in "8 Mile"—portrays the white ghetto dweller.

Detroit is an archetypal solidification of what 30 years of Democratic urban politics actually does to a city. 8 Mile Road runs along the entire northern boundary of Detroit, separating urban and suburban, dangerous areas and safe streets.

8 Mile Road is actually the figurative division line that's depicted in the movie—on one side, there is the black neighborhood, and on the other, the masses that have made the exodus, escaping an innercity system that doesn't work.

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To walk from the outside towards the inside, the scenery dramatically changes from a functioning community to a dreary district noticeably void of any hope. When asked to explain this startling division line, Detroit congressman John Conyers bluntly answers, "Racism."

"But the white/black divide of Eight Mile is really a myth—a convenient crutch," writes Henry Payne in *The Detroit News*. "Southfield, the prosperous suburb immediately northwest of Detroit is 54 percent African American. Dearborn is 30 percent Arab. Detroit's bordering townships are racial melting pots of Arabs, Poles, blacks and Jews, hardly the WASPish communities Conyers' remark would lead you to believe."

New businesses are rarely started in innercity Detroit; the tax rates are high and riots provide a risk that the police are unable to effectively combat. A generation of welfare addicts has become increasingly insidious. The workforce has an unbelievable 47 percent illiteracy rate. There is only one movie theatre, the Phoenix, on 8 Mile Road (where someone was shot on the opening night viewing of the movie). There is not one large retail store—no Wal-Mart, Sears or anything. Seventy percent of children are born into single-parent households.

No Detroit public officials attended the film's premier at The Phoenix because they felt the film overly bastardized the depraved scenery of Detroit. These politicians would rather not talk about the policies that have ravaged their city, instead seeking to merely "look ahead" with continued bad strategy.

Eminem shows that bad politics doesn't infect in accordance with race. Democratic aims of artificial alleviation impair urbanites of all skin colors. The other rappers he challenges in the freestyle battles also think that race is more important than class. They call him "Elvis," "honkey," "a Nazi" and other slurs to infer that the world of hip-hop is no place for a white boy. There are references to the KKK, Vanilla Ice, Willie Nelson and just about everything else that drives home the point that he is white and they are black.

Thankfully, Eminem lets us know that race does not matter. He is a fellow resident in the ghetto, regardless of the shade of his skin. He knows what its like to be poor, and he knows how to rap.

In his final battle, after incurring the massive onslaught of racial demagoguery, he retorts back against the other finalist.

He says playfully, "But I know something about/you went to Clairebrook, that's a private school."

He goes on to challenge his opponent's ghetto credentials, "What's the matter dogg, you embarrassed?/This guy's a gangsta?/You're real name's Clarence/And Clarence lives at home with both parents/And Clarence's parents have a real good marriage."

Eminem knows that living in the slums of Detroit is about being poor, usually coming from a broken home and not necessarily black—"I'm a piece of white trash/I say it proudly."

And so Eminem fulfilled the American Dream—he escaped the destitution of the ghetto, utilizing the talents he was blessed with to make a better life for himself and for his family.

Now if only Detroit's political leadership could pick up on that strategy.

Kissinger will conduct corrupt 9/11 "investigation"

By Tim Hinkle
Staff Writer

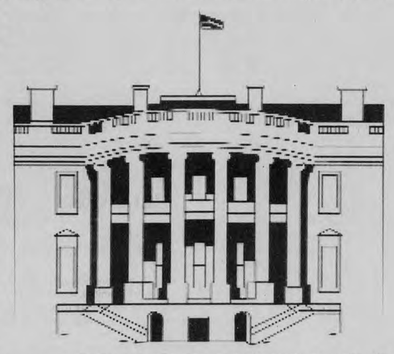
The lack of respect our government and particularly the Bush administration has, for the American people, become even more clear this week with the appointment of Henry Kissinger as a special independent counsel to investigate the attacks of Sept. 11.

Who could be better to hide the facts and obscure the truth of what really happened leading up to and on that dreadful September day than the man who is responsible for so many of the foreign policy decisions that have led to our current problems with terrorism. The Bush administration knows it can trust Kissinger to keep the truth from the American people, and that is precisely what he will do.

There are many unanswered questions about Sept. 11 that the Bush administration is not exactly rushing to shed light on. After all, up until this week, the Bush administration has opposed any kind of investigation into the intelligence and logistical failures that allowed Sept. 11 to happen. Even now, the Kissinger commission is not even to investigate the government failures that allowed 9/11 to happen, but rather to "help the administration learn the tactics and motives of the enemy."

Why have we not learned what the president was told during his briefings in August 2001 about al-Qaida threats, or why investigations into the terrorists who perpetuated them were terminated? Why have we not learned why standard FAA and military operating procedures to have fighter jets intercept a hijacked plane within twelve minutes of deviation from original course? Why did our government ignore the intelligence reports coming in from all over the globe which detailed the terrorists' plans? Rest easy America, because these answers will certainly not be included in the Kissinger report, as the Bush administration has ensured.

Many people are not aware of Henry Kissinger's dirty and bloody past. Kissinger was responsible for keeping the Vietnam War going on long after he knew it could not be won.



Kissinger can also claim credit for the illegal bombings of Cambodia during the Vietnam War.

Most people do not know that on Sept. 10, 2001, only a day before the terrorist attacks took place, Kissinger was hit with a lawsuit by the survivors of Chile's General Rene Schneider in 1973, whose murder Kissinger ordered, according to recently declassified Pentagon papers. Schneider's murder led to the bloody overthrow of the democratically elected government of Salvador Allende and the brutal torture and murder of over 30,000 innocent Chileans during the reign of dictator Augusto Pinochet.

Kissinger's actions as secretary of state led to the destabilization and overthrow of countless democratically elected governments around the world. Kissinger's laundry list of foreign policy achievements includes the deaths of up to one million Indonesians after the U.S.-backed overthrow of President Sukarno in 1965 and the establishment of the Khmer Rouge and the resulting murder of over two million Cambodians.

So not only does Kissinger have his own dirty and bloody past to hide, but he clearly already has ties with the Bush administration. How, you ask? Well, during the Ford administration, Kissinger stayed on as Ford's Secretary of State after Nixon resigned.

What connection does this have to the current Bush administration you ask? Well let's look at the rest of Ford's cabinet. His chief of staff was Dick Cheney and his secretary of defense was Donald Rumsfeld. Not only that, but Ford appointed none other than George Herbert Walker Bush to be the Director of the CIA. Clearly, Kissinger has no interest in shedding light on any possible coverups involving his old White House buddies.

The Bush administration scored a masterful stroke against decency and truth when it secured Henry Kissinger as the head of the independent counsel to "investigate" 9/11. After delaying any kind of investigation into the attack on America for over 15 months, the Bush administration had to bow to the demands of the families of Sept. 11, numerous congressional lawmakers and the American people for an in-depth investigation into the events leading up to Sept. 11, 2001. Unfortunately, we can be sure that the truth will never be known thanks to this cynical and calculated appointment.

Wake up America, and demand from your congressional representatives a real investigation into Sept. 11 before lies and coverups are used to further the Bush administration's shameless war on truth and freedom.

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"Conservative cynicism" dominates tax policy of Bush administration

By Mike Niebauer
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Since the days of the Reagan White House conservatives have always operated with a cynical political view. Reagan would say that government was not the solution but the problem for Americans. They spin the opinion that negative political advertising and promoting a healthy government is the key to becoming the majority party. The current president had to sell himself as the "compassionate conservative" to get elected. Now that U.S. President George W. Bush has the perception of a conservative midterm election mandate his politics and tax policies are illustrating the same conservative cynicism.

Paul Krugman in a *New York Times* (*NYT*) column apologizes that he once said that the conservative economic program was simply tax cut, and more tax cuts mostly for the already well off and corporations. Krugman admits he was in error. Emboldened conservatives now advocate tax increases ... but only tax increases for people with low incomes.

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The *Wall Street Journal* (*WSJ*) editors seem to be miffed that poor people pay too little in income taxes. The *WSJ* mostly conservative editors "feel the cynicism" and have a healthy fear that these poor workers may not have a healthy hatred toward the cancer that is government services.

The *WSJ* seems to be terrified that future tax cuts might include tax concessions to ordinary families. These "compassionate conservatives" want to ensure that any tax cuts go to corporations and the wealthy.

The *WSJ* editors cynical theory sadly goes like this: Poorer workers must maintain a disdain (better yet loathing) toward government in a general sense. They must feel that the taxes they pay are squandered in wasteful programs and fraudulent practices, and only their version of pure capitalism is their only salvation. The *WSJ* editors feel that federal tax policy must be nasty to people with low incomes, lest they have any good feelings about government. Some of the things that have been coming out lately make sense considering this view.

Keeping with this theory that some workers that don't pay their way and are unemployed will get a stiff dose of this "compassionate cynicism" for Christmas. House Republicans recently refused to extend unemployment insurance for the long-term displaced workers suffering out the current economic downturn. Their actions or lack of it will guarantee that later this month 800,000 workers will get letters from the government informing them that their benefits are cut off. The theory goes that this painful outcome helps conservatives to promote frustration and hatred toward government. What better way than to deprive working class children of a decent Christmas.

Another tactic is to underfund and starve government programs that are known to be effective for the working poor. Congress has failed to provide adequate funds for the State Children's Health Insurance Fund Program (CHIPS). Conservatives have no interest in maintaining enough funding for this highly successful program. The sums were small by Washington standards, but the theory is the thing here. The results of these actions are dramatic. The Office of Management and Budget estimates, 900,000 children will lose health insurance over the next three years. In this era of "personal responsibility" any child that chooses to have parents who cannot afford health care must accept the consequences of their actions.

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The political slogan "Leave No Child Behind" rings sadly hollow as it has been implemented by the conservatives now so triumphantly emboldened. As the theory goes, the government must never do anything that can be understood as positive. Government must be envisioned as a negative entity not to be trusted. Reagan would be so proud of the Bush-conservative maneuvers.

And now for a nice helping of holiday hypocrisy from the White House. The Bush administration has decided to restore cash bonuses to political appointees. Clinton ended this practice during both terms, but in the spirit of keeping good people in these appointed positions, they feel bonuses are necessary. The policy change is being implemented in many federal departments.

A *Washington Post* article shows, "For the first time Cabinet-level officials and agency chiefs have been authorized to approve annual awards of up to $10,000 and possibly more for influential senior attorneys, policy advisers, confidential assistants and other appointees brought on to political staffs. Awards can total $25,000 or higher with approval from the White House. These senior political appointees typically earn $115,000 to $140,000 a year."

Chief of Staff Andrew Card stated, "Political appointees should be judged and rewarded in the same manner as career employees." Bush aides said, "the White House policy shift reflects the administration's emphasis on a results-oriented government," rewarding excellence and productivity by all federal employees. At a time when these appointees receive their appointments because of their fundraising activities or giving large personal contributions to the Republican Party apparatus or general campaign strategy expertise, the hypocrisy must be highlighted.

The "compassionate conservative" cynical theory works for political appointees but works against the unemployed and their children. If this is "results oriented government," the Bush administration hopes the next two years will provide many issues for its political opponents to work toward "regime change" in Washington.

BUSINESS & POLITICS

A gift for the economy this holiday season

Courtesy of Reuters

On the day following Thanksgiving, Wal-Mart recorded earnings of $1.43 billion. Experts say that holiday shopping this year may contribute to improvements in the economy.

BY JIM LEAHY
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Attention holiday shoppers—you may be helping the economy much more than you ever dreamed of by laying out cash, writing checks or swiping those credit cards at your local retailer this holiday season. With the passage of "Black Friday," the day retailers hope will ensure that their year will end in the black, retailers are looking strong and that strength may signal a rebound for the lagging U.S. economy.

The day after Thanksgiving, Wal-Mart, the world's largest retailer, announced that it achieved a one-day sales record, besting its old mark by over 14 percent.

"Wal-Mart said it racked up $1.43 billion in sales on Friday at its U.S. stores. That compares to sales of $1.25 billion last year," *The New York Times* reported.

Wal-Mart was not the only retailer showing renewed strength over the beginning of the holiday shopping season. *The Wall Street Journal* reported that computer manufacturers are seeing signs that their business will be strong this holiday season.

"Overall we more than exceeded expectations, particularly in the photo-smart and all-in-one product categories," said Bill DeLacy, vice president of U.S. consumer sales for Hewlett-Packard. Hewlett-Packard reported sales that were higher by as much as 200 percent over last year.

Apple Computer reported that it saw its busiest week ever at its retail stores and, according to *The Wall Street Journal*, Best Buy spokeswoman Lisa Hawks "agreed that popular products continue to be DVD players, digital televisions, digital cameras and camcorders. She said that accessories that surround the PC were also in high demand." The company's stores opened their doors on Friday at 6 a.m. and "saw lines of anywhere from 75 to 1,000 people waiting to capitalize on the early-morning specials."

Online retailers are also reporting strong sales as the holiday shopping season begins. MSNBC.com reports that total sales for Dec. 2 were up 49 percent over the same day last year, totaling $380 million. Dec. 2, or the first Monday after Thanksgiving, is typically the heaviest online shopping day because many consumers shop at work on a faster Internet connection. Last Christmas season, online shopping peaked during working hours from noon to 3 p.m. EST.

Despite all the talk of happy returns for the economy this holiday season, many analysts are not painting a very rosy picture. *The Washington Post* reported, "Sales compared to last year grew an impressive 4 percent last week. However, around this time last year, the nation was still shell-shocked following the Sept. 11 attacks."

"Consumer spending has been relatively choppy, and I'm not sure we've really changed anything on that front,' said Mike Niemira, a senior economist at Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi, according to *The Washington Post*. "We're looking for slightly better results than the last couple of years, but the last couple of years have been a relatively dismal performance."

In addition, auto sales fell dramatically in November and opened up new concerns on the strength of that industry. *The New York Times* reported that sales at Ford declined 20 percent in November from a year ago, and the company announced that it would be cutting production. General Motors saw an 18 percent decline in sales as the entire industry saw a 12.7 percent drop. Chrysler's sales fell 15 percent, while its Mercedes unit rose 7.5 percent.

Among other carmakers, November sales at BMW rose 25 percent from November of last year and are up 18 percent for the first 11 months of this year compared with the period last year. Honda sales rose 4.6 percent for November. Toyota sales fell 5.2 percent, but the company has gained more than half a percentage point of market share in the United States this year.

Nevertheless, the good news outweighs much of the bad. On Wednesday, *The Wall Street Journal* reported some strong economic data that may signal some gains in the economy. Productivity rose at a brisk 5.1 percent annual rate, the Labor Department reported Wednesday. That reading was even better than the impressive 4 percent growth rate previously estimated for the July-through-August period and represented a considerable pickup from the 1.7 percent pace registered in the second quarter.

In addition, factory orders rose 1.5 percent in October after falling the two previous months, said the Commerce Department. The Institute for Supply Management said its index of non-manufacturing activity jumped to 57.4 in November from 53.1 the previous month. That was much stronger than the 53.5 economists were expecting. A reading above 50 indicates expansion in the sector.

The coming year could be a good one for the U.S. economy, as signs are showing some developing strength. The holiday shopping season will certainly be a big signal of the growth in the economy and it will also show how tightly Americans are holding onto their money. If early signs prove to be right, this will be a good holiday season and more gifts will be underneath the Christmas tree.

Courtesy of Reuters

Massachusetts Senator John Kerry speaks to the City Club of Cleveland. An opponent of Al Gore, Kerry could be a strong candidate for the Democratic party in the upcoming presidential election.

Sen. Kerry on the path to presidential candidacy

BY MICHAEL DUDZINSKI
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As voters await former Vice President Al Gore's decision about a second run at the presidency, another Washington politician has confirmed his own bid for the Democratic primary. Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., announced Sunday that he has begun to fill out paperwork confirming his candidacy. The Associated Press (AP) reported that an official announcement from Kerry is not expected anytime soon.

A staunch liberal, Kerry is in the midst of his fourth term as a Massachusetts senator. This well-known politician has been seriously considering a run for the presidency for some time. A *Los Angeles Times* poll revealed that voters chose Gore and Kerry as their top choices for the Democratic nomination. A man of extreme wealth and power, Kerry may pose a tough challenge for Gore during the primaries.

Before his tenure as senator, Kerry served in the Vietnam War and as a special prosecutor afterward, according to the AP. A graduate of Yale and an initiate of the elite "Skull & Bones" secret society, Kerry has gone through the same prepping stages as President George W. Bush.

CNN pointed out that Sen. Evan Bayh, D-Ind., called Kerry a "very able man," but expressed uncertainty as to whether he is the best Democratic candidate to take on Bush. Kerry opposes many of Bush's economic and domestic policies, which may be a risky choice for the Democrats who seek to oust a popular president in the next election.

Another challenge facing Kerry is his seemingly rigid personality. *The Washington Post* asserted that such behavior was overwhelmingly evident in Kerry's Sunday appearance on NBC's "Meet the Press." Without a doubt, much of the public cited a "warmth problem" that may hamper the "articulate and experienced" senator during the presidential race. *The Washington Post* also stated that Kerry's "super-serious demeanor" rarely gives way to even a half-smile. With a recent emphasis on character as a prime determinant of the victor, Kerry's personality will be weighed highly during the 2004 election.

Middle-class voters have expressed concern that Kerry may not be entirely in touch with their constituency due to the fact that he is the wealthiest man in the Senate. The AP said that Democratic voters find it odd that a billionaire politician would advocate large tax cuts for the wealthy. With the economy a main concern, voters might not want to bet on a Democratic candidate who may prove to be a "George Bush in disguise."

Kerry has proclaimed a tough stance on corporate abuse and environmental preservation. The AP reported that Kerry uncovered the fraudulent activity within the Bank of Credit and Commerce International, which was eventually shut down for transferring terrorist organizations' funds. In 1995, his efforts helped block a Republican proposal to loosen air and water regulation. Last year, Kerry objected to the Republican effort to commence oil drilling in the Artic National Wildlife Refuge in Alaska.

Although the political tide may currently be against Kerry, prospects for the future are still bright. Before winning the presidency in 1960, John F. Kennedy was widely regarded as an inept public communicator. With practice, he was soon able to win over the hearts of most Americans through his fervent speeches. A little practice may be all that Kerry needs to win the White House in 2004.

Runoff election in Louisiana for Senate will prove to be pivotal for both political parties

BY LINDSEY GENTEL
Staff Writer

Sen. Mary Landrieu had to know there was going to be trouble when she saw torrential rain sweep into New Orleans on Nov. 5. If you are a Democratic candidate in Louisiana, rain can be a disaster. Since a disproportionate number of black voters, who are important supporters of the Democrats, get around by bus or foot, it is less likely they are going to be at the polls.

Since Landrieu did not draw 50 percent of the vote against a field of eight opponents on Nov. 5, under Louisiana's election laws, she must compete in a runoff for re-election on Dec. 7. She received 46 percent of the votes, and a state rule requires a runoff between the top two finishers if one candidate does not win a majority. She faces Republican Suzanne Terrell, who finished second.

It seems that Landrieu is facing a bigger problem than torrential rain. The Republicans cleverly ran three well-known candidates from different parts of the state, which together were able to take 51 percent of the vote. Landrieu faces not only Terrell, who is the state elections commissioner, but also the force of a nationally mounting Republican Party that is not distracted by other Senate races.

Courtesy of Reuters

Mary Landrieu seeks to retain her position as Democratic senator for Louisiana. A runoff election will be held on Dec. 7.

This election will decide whether the Republicans have a one-seat or two-seat majority in the Senate. It may also mark the overthrow of the Democrats from one of their last southern strongholds.

With the post-election breakdown in the Senate at 51 Republicans, 48 Democrats (including Landrieu) and one independent, cash is pouring into Louisiana from both parties. Vice President Dick Cheney campaigned with Terrell last week. Former President George Bush was in Louisiana on Monday and President George W. Bush was in the state on Tuesday. National operatives and media figures are overflowing the French Quarter.

Landrieu is a moderate Democrat who could attain immediate cachet by challenging the GOP's national momentum and beating Terrell on Dec. 7.

The Republican strategy in the campaign is to show how close Terrell is to Bush. Interestingly, the Democrats' approach is pretty much the same. Despite the new tough talk from the party's presidential wannabes, the Democrats' best strategy is to narrow the gap with Bush.

Landrieu, running for a second term, boasts the fact that she has voted with the president a bountiful 75 percent of the time. By that standard, she could have a problem because Terrell said she will vote for Bush 100 percent of the time. Regardless of numbers, these actions emphasize that in this race, Bush cannot lose.

With the Senate already comfortably Republican, it is easy to think this race is no big deal, but that perception is wrong. Although Bush warned Republicans not to exult in their takeover of the Senate, he did not say anything about not rubbing it in with one more win. According to CNN.com, Sen. Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., the GOP campaign chairman, refers to the contest as "war." He is pouring as much as $10 million into the state to help Terrell, who had been relatively unknown until Election Day, when she finished ahead of the early favorite, Rep. John Cooksey, R-La. The national party abandoned him after he described a Muslim as wearing "a diaper on his head."

Landrieu's stance on supporting Bush and her similarities to Terrell can cut two ways. Some voters may see reason to replace the incumbent. Landrieu can hardly depict Terrell as an extremist, a tactic that helped her win in 1996. In the primary, Landrieu boasted of voting with Bush 75 percent of the time.

Terrell is for shrinking the government (she even voted to eliminate her own job), and favors making Bush's tax cut permanent, even rolling back the tax on wealthy Social Security recipients.

Courtesy of Reuters

Challenger Suzanne Terrell seeks to gain a seat in the Senate. If Terrell wins, she will contribute to the Republican majority in the Senate.

There are solid disagreements between Landrieu and Terrell, the most substantial of which is over abortion.

According to MSNBC.com, in a televised debate last weekend, Terrell declared, "I am 100 percent pro-life. As a practicing Catholic, I did not leave my faith as did Mary Landrieu."

In southern Louisiana, few insults sting more, or presume more, than calling someone a bad Catholic. Landrieu, who supports most forms of abortion, denied a loss of faith and accused Terrell of inconsistency because she was listed as honorary co-chairman of a 1994 Planned Parenthood event. Terrell insists that was a mistake.

Social conservatives still think Terrell is more pro-life than Landrieu. Even so, internal strife on the right continues. The Republican Louisiana governor, Mike Foster, criticized the negative tone of his own party's positions in regards to the race, but still endorsed Terrell. Cooksey, who finished third in the primary, has accused Terrell of running a "smear campaign" against him.

Whatever the divisions among Republicans in Louisiana, the national Republican machine is solidly trying to win the seat.

Landrieu's problems reflect those of the Democrats in general. When asked if she will invite former Vice President Al Gore or former President Bill Clinton to campaign for her, she dodges the question. She has already collected the biggest bonus the national Democrats can offer her, which is an assurance from the Senate Democratic leader, Tom Daschle, D-S.D., that she will keep her seat on the Senate Appropriations Committee if she is re-elected (though the Republicans may try to block this).

Since the Democrats' loss last month, she has offered ideas that appeal to both the lower and the middle classes, such as a plan to exempt the first $10,000 of workers' salaries from the federal payroll tax.

A poll this week gave Landrieu a 16-point lead. Many experts still think the odds are against her. Although the Democrats have held the seat for 119 years, Louisiana, like so much of the South, seems to be slipping out of their hands. Bush carried the state by 8 percentage points (and by 46 points among white voters) in the 2000 presidential election. Republicans control most of the statewide offices. Unlike the dejected Democrats, they are full of confidence.

Terrell could win just by getting everyone who voted for her party in November to return to the polls.

Landrieu has to get Democrats out, particularly black Democrats, who did not show up on Election Day. Her supporters have been handing out leaflets in black neighborhoods and visiting black churches to urge members to vote. A few prominent black leaders who declined to support her in the primary have finally come around. Landrieu may still make it. Even if she wins, the Democrats need a better line of attack in Louisiana than fighting over one group of voters and praying for a sunny day.

Write for B&P next spring!

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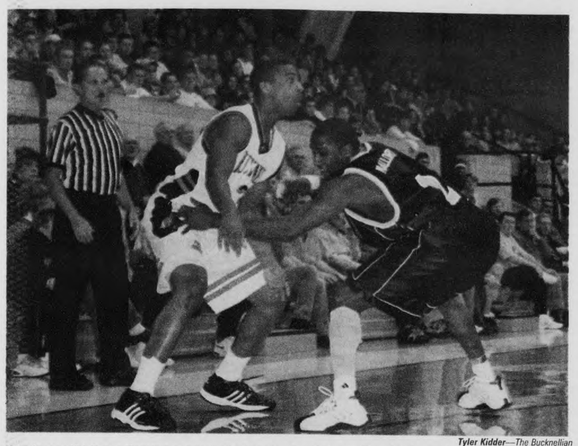
Bison fall to 2-3 after loss to Canisius



Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian

Charles Lee '06 faces off against a Canisius foe last Tuesday. Lee contributed a three-pointer during the game, which the Bison dropped 71-67 their first contest held in Davis Gymnasium this season.

BY DAVE COHEN
Senior Writer

Bucknell dropped its first home contest of the season on Tuesday to Canisius by the count of 71-67 at David Gymnasium. The Orange and Blue fell to 2-3 overall following the loss.

The Bison trailed 14-2 early. It was the outside shooting touch of Matthew Quinn '04, who netted a career-high 22 points and was five-for-six from downtown in the first half, that brought the team back into contention. He felt fortunate to be the one who was able to rejuvenate the squad in its first appearance in front of the home crowd.

"Although Boakai is our go-to guy, any one of us is capable of providing the team offense. There have been a number of times when I did not shoot the ball well and my teammates picked me up," Quinn said. "I was happy to return the favor against Canisius. My production, both shootingwise and in other facets of the game, opens things up for our two horses inside, Brian and B.T. (Boakai Lalugba '03)."

Despite Quinn's precision from the field, Canisius had a hot-hand of its own in Hodari Mallory. He was five-for-six from three-land in the first half as well, and finished with a game-high 26 points.

"He was feeling it tonight," Quinn said. "It is unfortunate that it happened against us, but we also could have done a better job getting a hand up on him and locating him on defense."

The lead changed eight times in the first half of play and concluded with a thunderous dunk by Lalugba, who had

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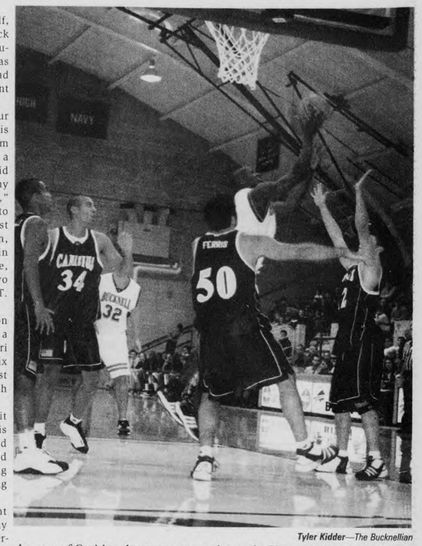

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A group of Canisius players attempt to thwart the Bison scoring attack. The Golden Griffs held on by a score of 71-67, dropping the Bison's record to 2-3.

Bison finish off the season

Bison end their season with a respectable 15-13 overall record

BY BRENT BUTLER
Sports Editor

The Bison volleyball squad finished its season with a 3-0 loss to Lehigh on Friday, Nov. 22. The Bison fell to 2nd-seeded Lehigh in the semifinals of the Patriot League Tournament. After an impressive 2002 season, the Orange and Blue finished off the year with a respectable 15-13 overall record and a 9-5 Patriot League record.

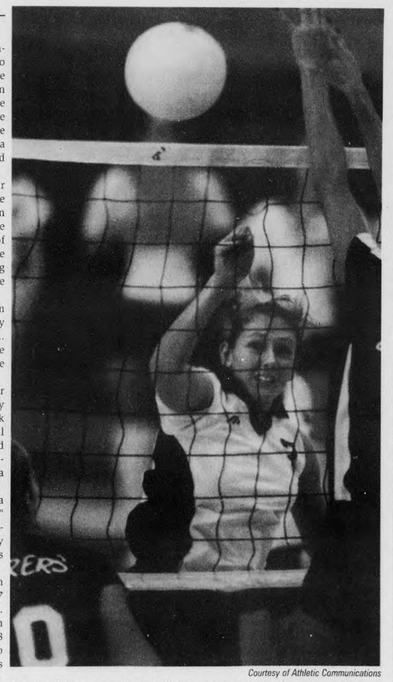
Bucknell has struggled all year to defeat Lehigh, falling 3-1 the other two times they faced them in the regular season. The Bison came into the match with high hopes of defeating Lehigh for the first time this season, but wound up being disappointed, losing in three straight matches.

"The last time we played them their outside hitters played really well," Brandi Trapasso '04 said. "We had to stop their outside if we were going to beat them, and we needed to play better defense."

The Bison led the first game for the first 13 points, but eventually fell 30-24. Bucknell came back strong in the second game but fell short, losing 30-27. In the third and final game, the Mountain Hawks finished off the Bison's season with a 30-24 victory.

"We really didn't play well as a team. It just wasn't our day," Brandi Trapasso said. "As individuals and as a team, we couldn't play like we wanted to. Nothing was working the way we wanted it to."

Jennifer Wrigley '03 led the team in hitting with an impressive .417 average and tallying 11 digs. Melanie Ghiz '03 led the team with 12 kills and had a respectable .258 hitting percentage. Breean Trapasso '04 shared the team-high 14 digs and added 28 assists in the Bison effort. Chelsea Anderson '06 also had a team-high 14 digs. Brandi Trapasso added 10 kills and 12 digs to the Bison effort, while Chelsea Robertson '05 added 12 digs as well.



Courtesy of Athletic Communications

Melanie Ghiz '03 pounds the ball into enemy territory during an earlier contest this season. Ghiz led the team with 12 kills in last Friday's game.

After coming so far this season and placing 3rd in the Patriot League, the Bison were a little disappointed with the level of play in their final game of the season.

"We hoped that we would play our best in our last game, and instead we played badly. We were all really kind of surprised at the loss and disappointed that we didn't fight at the end," Brandi Trapasso said. "We felt that we did not show the way Bucknell volleyball should be played."

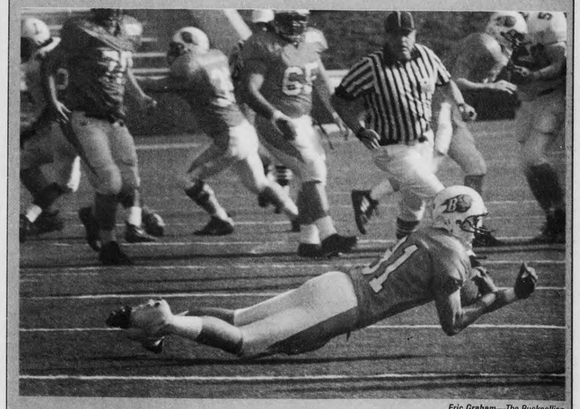
With the 2002 season barely in the record books, the Lady Bison are already looking towards the future and their upcoming season.

"We are really ready for next year. I am looking forward to the training and preseason for next year," Brandi Trapasso said. "I really want to come out next year and win the Patriot League. I had a lot of fun this season and really showed that we could compete with anyone. Next year we our goal is to win the Patriot League playoffs."

Bison football looks to future

BY CORY NADLER
Senior Writer

The Bucknell football team ended its 2002 season on Saturday, Nov. 23 with a 34-7 loss to the Patriot League champion Fordham University Rams. The Bison finished the season with a 2-9 record, and now try to take anything positive from this season that they can, hoping to turn things around for next year's campaign.



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Jim Horan '03 makes a diving catch during an earlier game against Lafayette. Horan and the Bison closed out a disappointing season on Nov. 23 with a loss to PL champions Fordham, their seventh straight loss.

The Rams got on top early in the game. Fordham took the ball 74 yards down the field on the first possession of the game, and capped off the eight-play scoring drive with a 1-yard touchdown run. Adam Lord '03 blocked the extra point attempt to keep the score at 6-0 early in the first quarter.

The Bison looked as though they were going to come out with a different offensive attitude than in past weeks. Daris Wilson '05 started at quarterback, and connected with Albert Marquardt '04 on a 35-yard pass on Bucknell's first offensive play from scrimmage. Three plays later Wilson fumbled the ball and Fordham recovered.

While the Bison defense continued to play tough, as they have all season long, the Bison went on to lose two more fumbles in the first quarter. Following their second fumble, the Bison gave the ball to the Rams at the Bucknell 16-yard line. Three plays later the Rams ran the ball in from 2 yards out to make the score 13-0 at the end of the first quarter.

After recovering the third Bucknell fumble in the waning seconds of the first quarter, the Rams took the ball 69 yards on six plays, and scored on a 9-yard touchdown pass to make the score 20-0 early in the second quarter.

"You talk about turnovers, penalties and mistakes, these are the heart and soul of our problem. This will definitely be a major theme for the future," Head Coach Dave Kotulski said.

> *"The only way to achieve success in the future is through incredibly hard work."*
> —Head Coach **David Kotulski**

While the Bison offense continued to struggle to put together a drive, the Rams were moving the ball well again at the end of the first half. After getting good field position, Fordham put together a 10-play, 44-yard scoring drive, that was capped off by an 8-yard touchdown pass to put the Bison behind 27-0 at halftime.

The Bison were forced to punt the ball after going three and out on the first possession of the second half. Fordham fielded the punt, and returned it 62 yards for a touchdown to make the score 34-0 early in the third quarter.

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Bison name new head coach

Tim Landis from St. Mary's takes over for football team

By Brent Butler
Sports Editor

Anyone looking over the Patriot League football statistics will see that the Bucknell football team desperately needs a change. After a 2-9 season in which they lost their last seven games in a row, the Bison are sorely in need of a drastic change that will change the future of this team.

The administration hopes it has made this change with the hiring of Tim Landis. On Tuesday, Bucknell University director of athletics and recreation John Hardt announced the successful completion of a national search with the selection of Landis, a 10-year veteran of the collegiate coaching, as Bucknell's next Bob Odell Head Football Coach.

Landis was hired Tuesday night as Bucknell's head coach beginning in the 2003 season. He replaces Dave Kotulski, who was the defensive coordinator for seven years before becoming the acting head coach in 2002 when Head Coach Tom Gadd's cancer prevented him from being on the sidelines.

Courtesy of Athletic Communications

Tim Landis will take over as Bob Odell Head Football Coach. Landis has ten years of coaching experience, including three years with St. Mary's College in California.

Landis, 38, has much experience coaching at the Division I-AA level. He becomes Bucknell's 25th head football coach since the program's inception in 1883.

"I have worked a very long time in this profession to earn a tremendous opportunity such as this," Landis said. "To coach at a quality educational institution like Bucknell, that also has a long and proud history of football, is the culmination of a lifelong dream of mine."

The rest of the Bucknell coaching staff, which had six first-year coaches in 2002, will be named at a later date.

"Not only has Tim Landis shown that he is an outstanding football coach, but he has achieved an impressive track record of recruiting and developing student-athletes at highly selective academic institutions," Hardt said. "Bucknell places great emphasis on developing the highest caliber student-athletes, both on and off the playing field, and we believe that Coach Landis is a perfect fit to lead our football program and successfully build on our established traditions."

After seven years as the head coach at Davidson College, Landis has spent the last three seasons at St. Mary's College in California. At both schools he helped turn modestly successful programs into winning programs. In the prior two seasons before he arrived at St Mary's, the Gaels had been just 4-17 for the two years. Landis turned the team around into a respectable 6-5 overall record in the first year he was there; this marked the program's best one-year turnaround since football was reinstated at St. Mary's in 1967.

In 2001 the Gaels finished 6-5, and Landis was awarded the Division I-AA Independent Coach of the Year. Landis, who has a career head coaching record of 53-52-1, is very familiar with Bucknell and the Patriot League, having coached against Patriot League teams at both Davidson and St. Mary's.

A native of Yardley, Pa., Landis went on to earn a BA in English from Randolph-Macon College in 1986. He was a First Team All-Old Dominion Athletic Conference honoree both as a quarterback in football and a pitcher in baseball, Landis was inducted into the Randolph-Macon Athletic Hall of Fame in 2000. He was the ODAC Baseball Player of the Year in 1986, and he also earned the school's Compton Award for excellence in academics and athletics.

Landis began coaching in 1986, when he remained at Randolph-Macon to coach his alma mater's wide receivers. In 1988, he became head football and baseball coach at Morrisville (Pa.) High School, where he led the team to an 8-2 record, a state ranking and was awarded the Coach of the Year by the *Bucks County Courier Times*, the Bicentennial Athletic League and the Independence Football League.

Landis returned to the collegiate level in 1991, when he was hired as an assistant at Davidson.

"Having so many roots in the East, I have followed the Patriot League for a long time and it is becoming one of the premier conferences in Division I-AA football," Landis said. "Just look at the success that Patriot League teams have had in the I-AA playoffs. Every school in the league has academic prestige and football prestige. That is a great combination."

After recording seven straight winning seasons from 1995-2001, including a Patriot League championship in 1996, Bucknell slipped to 2-9 in 2002. Even with the disappointing 2002 season, the Bison led the Patriot League in total defense and is expected to return 14 starters in 2003.

Landis succeeds Kotulski who replaced Tom Gadd, one of his good friends who won a school-record 48 games in seven seasons before brain cancer forced him to become a spectator this year.

Hardt announced last month that the Bison football job was being opened, a plan Kotulski said was agreed to in July when he was named acting coach.

Women's basketball battles its way to the .500 mark

With their win over Loyola the Bison have battled back to .500

By Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

The women's basketball team battled its way back to the .500 mark last Tuesday, as the Bison outlasted Loyola in an intense 76-73 road victory. The Orange and Blue held the lead throughout the entire game, but had to hold off several charges from the Greyhounds.

The Bison had a healthy 65-52 lead with 8 minutes, 34 seconds left in the game, but Loyola rallied to get within 4 points with under 5 minutes remaining. Molly Creamer '03 quickly opened the Bison advantage back up to 7 points with her three-pointer, but the Greyhounds retaliated once again, this time with two turnovers to scrape within 3 points.

With 54 seconds left on the clock, Loyola had crept within a point of the Bison, and the score stood at 74-73. The Bison held on gamely and did not allow the Greyhounds to capitalize on an offensive rebound and an out-of-bounds ball in their favor, and with two seconds remaining, Creamer sunk two foul-shots to pad the eventual final score at 76-73.

Continuing where she left off last year, Creamer collected her third 30-point game of the season with a 32-point effort. She has been named Patriot League Player of the Week for two consecutive weeks, including the week ending Dec. 1. She leads the conference in points-per-game (25.8) and assists-per-game (7.8).

Also putting up double digits were Desire Almind '04 with 23 points and Kate Franks '03 with 12 points.

The Bison hit 48.1 percent of their shots, including a 50 percent clip for the second half. The victory marked the team's third straight win after a slow start.

Over Thanksgiving break, the Orange and Blue defeated Canisius and Drexel on Nov. 27 and Nov. 29, respectively. In the final home game of the semester, the Bison handily defeated Drexel 95-83, as they shot at a 59.2 percent clip and never allowed the Dragons to take the lead.

Courtesy of Athletic Communications

Molly Creamer '03 dodges around a defender in a previous game. Creamer scored 32 points against Loyola on Tuesday.

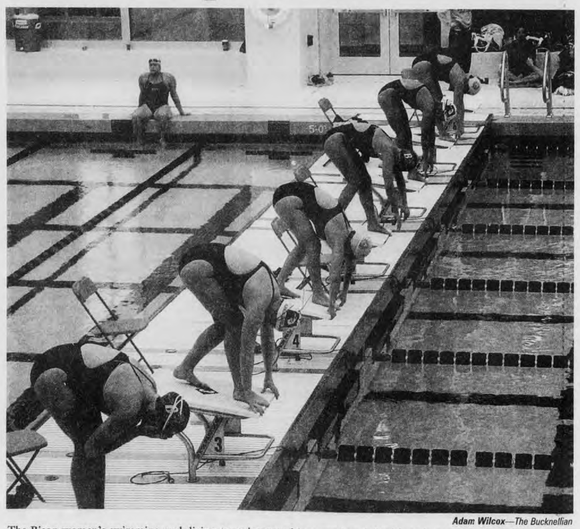
Creamer led the team with 23 points, and was one of four players to reach double figures. Franks was close behind with 20 points, Jennie Ruth '06 scored a career-high 19 points and Almind finished with 14 points and a team-leading nine rebounds. The performance contributed to Ruth being named Patriot League Rookie of the Week for the week ending Dec. 1.

The victory followed a winning performance by the Bison against Canisius just two days earlier. The Orange and Blue out-scored the Golden Griffs 100-91 en route to their first win of the season. It was the University's first 100-point game since 1996.

Creamer had an impressive game, scoring 31 points and amassing nine assists and four steals. Franks scored a career-high 28 points and seven assists, in addition to coming within one three-pointer of tying the single-game school record for that statistic, which still stands at eight. Almind reached double digits in rebounds, with 10, and in points, netting 22.

The team looks to push their record over the .500 mark when they travel to Delaware tomorrow.

Women improve to 4-0 overall



Adam Wilcox—The Bucknellian

The Bison women's swimming and diving team improved its record to 4-0 with a victory over Army last Saturday. The men's squad struggled against the Black Knights, falling 164-79 and dropping its record to 1-2.

By Brent Butler
Sports Editor

On Saturday, Nov 23, Bucknell hosted Patriot League foe Army. The women came out on top over the Black Knights, 141-100, but the men were unable to defeat Army, falling 164-79. The women swimming and diving team has improved its record to 4-0 for the 2002-03 season, while the men have dropped to 1-2.

"We were confident going into the meet, but we still knew that we had to swim well in order to beat them," Lectie Altman '06 said. "They are a good team, and we knew that we had to swim hard or they were going to come back and beat us."

In the women's events, Bucknell captured a number of impressive first place finishes throughout the meet. In the women's 400-medley relay, Altman, Jamie Flick '05, Mary Krakowski '06, and Lynne Ashenfelter '04 placed first with a time of four minutes 1.28 seconds. The score was good enough to place them 10th on the All-Time list, and with two first-year students and one sophomore on the medley squad, the future looks bright for the Bison swimming team.

"We weren't trying to beat the record; it just happened that we came close," Altman said. "It would be nice if we beat it, but that is not our goal when we go out and swim. If it happens, that's great, but we are not going to worry about it."

Daniela Faas '04 captured first place in the 1,000-yard free with a time of 10:35.80. Altman scored first-place points with an impressive time of 1:56.27 in the 200-yard

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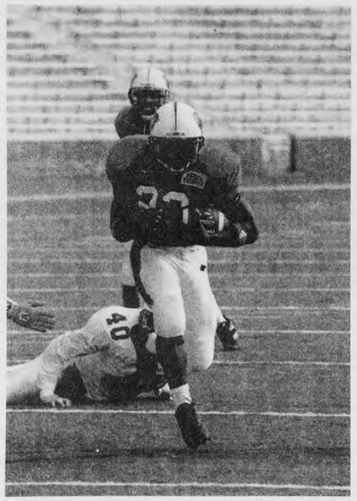
After throwing an interception on their next possession, the Bison seemed deflated. The football remained in the middle of the field for the remainder of the third quarter, as neither team was able to get any offensive momentum going.

To begin the fourth quarter, the Bison offense put together a promising drive that culminated in a 6-yard touchdown run by Wilson. Wilson's 6-yard scamper was only made possible by a tough catch by Jim Horan '03, who came up just two catches short of tying the career mark for catches by a Bucknell player, and also earned player of the game honors. The touchdown, which was the first for the Bison in 171 minutes of play, made the score 34-7.

Following another Bucknell fumble, the Rams were able to run out the clock, and secure the 34-7 victory, and the Patriot League title.

The Bison ended the season with a 2-9 record, their first losing season in the past eight years. Even though much of the season was overshadowed by the losses, there were still a lot of positives that came out of the season for the Bison.

The Bison had four players named to the All-Patriot League team. The preseason defensive player of the year, Adam Lord '03, was named co-defensive player of the year. Outside linebacker Joe Massey '03 and inside linebacker Stephane Pluviose '04 were also named to the first team All-League team. Offensive tackle Rashad Stallworth '04 was picked for the second team All-League offensive team.



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Blamah Sarnor '06 carries the ball for the Bison in an earlier game against Lafayette. Sarnor averaged 2.0 yards per carry against Fordham.

Along with these achievements, three Bison players were named to the Verizon Academic All-District team. Linebacker and punter Billy Windle '03 and tight end Dave Gibson '04 were named to the first team, while strong safety Will Smith '04 was named to the second team.

"There are a lot of positive factors, but the only way to achieve success in the future is through incredibly hard work," Kotulski said. "The biggest thing we have to reinstall is confidence."

The Bison will look to regain their confidence throughout spring practice, and promise to put a solid group of players back on the field next fall.

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Sports Editor

The Hall of Fame

Last weekend the National Baseball Hall of Fame announced the roster for this year's induction ballot. As it is with every year, the list is comprised of two contingents—a fresh crop of newly-eligible players making their debut on the list, and a cluster of also-rans clambering for a second, third, fourth or even 15th chance to garner the 75 percent approval rating required for election into baseball's mecca of immortality.

The men in this latter classification, although they are usually afforded perfunctory media coverage, are often the target topics of the most irreconcilable debates among baseball writers.

The annual sportswriter spats are as much a part of December as illuminated lawn reindeer, and are generally just about as functional. Each writer picks a snubbed, "should-be" Hall of Famer or two, and vehemently backs his charge until one of two things happens—either the player scrabbles his way past the 75 percent barrier and onto a Hall of Fame plaque, or his 15th year of eligibility runs dry and he vanishes from contention. In the interim between, these players are left to float around in limbo, with enough voter support to keep their dreams fueled, but not enough to land them anywhere other than next year's ballot.

Although fans' and writers' bemoaning of injustice seems to echo in perpetual futility, there are a few occasions when voter oversights might merit a call to arms, a battery of questioning or at least a little head-scratching. Blatant bias is one of them, and that seems to be the case when it comes to electing pitchers.

Pitchers in general haven't exactly been slighted, with 58 representatives among the 207 players in the Hall of Fame. But of those 58, only two were relief pitchers (Hoyt Wilhelm and Rollie Fingers).

There's no question that baseball's streetsweepers, the custodians of the mound, have been drastically underappreciated. Among the slighted hurlers is Bruce Sutter, who will be contending for a Hall of Fame slot for the 10th time.

Sutter, a pure closer who never started a single major-league game, has been deemed unworthy of Hall status by the collective vote of the Baseball Writers Association of America, not just once or twice, but nine times over. Although his vote count has been creeping steadily upward over the past few years, he'll need a big boost to jump up from the 50.52 percent of votes he received in 2002.

Sutter's numbers are admirable, but the argument in his favor gains a lot of its clout from his impact on the art of relief pitching. And whether some historians like it or not, the bullpen matters. It's mattered for half a century, and it's going to keep mattering. So why, then, doesn't the guy who revolutionized it matter?

The full-bearded hurler wasn't just a staple of the bullpen; he was the bullpen, according to Cardinals manager Whitey Herzog. Sutter was a workhorse for Herzog during his four years with the Cardinals, as he had been during his five season with the Chicago Cubs prior to that.

He pitched in 661 games over 12 seasons, racking up saves in 300 of them and striking out 861. In 1982, he proved himself a linchpin in the Cardinals' championship machine, pitching 4.1 perfect innings in the League Championship Series and then winning game two and saving games three and seven en route to a World Series championship.

When it comes to Sutter's greatness, it makes sense to apply the following trusty adage—it's not what he did; it's how he did it. Sutter gave the sport more than just a few winning moments—he gave it the split-fingered fastball, a wicked, divebombing pitch that can make decent hitters look like they belong in another profession.

He allegedly learned the pitch in 1973 from minor-league pitching coach and ex-major-leaguer Freddie Martin, who showed Sutter an experimental grip and told him to give it a try. Sutter, who was recovering from elbow surgery and needed a minor miracle to salvage his evanescing career, gripped the ball like Martin suggested and let it rip. The two had created a monster.

Sutter would spend the ensuing years perfecting the pitch, masterminding its usage and intimidating countless batters. By the time he retired, the split-fingered fastball was there to stay, permanently engrained in the league's general repertoire of pitches.

His bio on the Hall of Fame's Web site lists among his many credentials, which include a Cy Young award in 1979 and four all-star appearances, the following phrase: "... revolutionized the split-fingered fastball." If a guy revolutionizes anything that important, and does it while putting up superb statistical numbers and simply mastering his role on the team, he probably belongs in the Hall of Fame.

Sutter is one of three relief pitchers among this year's potential inductees who deserve eternal enshrinement in the hallowed museum, along with Rich Gossage and Lee Smith. Smith, whose numbers are stratospheric, ought to be a shoe-in, which means that Sutter and Gossage will probably be shooed out once again. After all, voting for more than one relief pitcher in the same year might cause some sort of catastrophic implosion of the baseball universe.

Of course, there's a lot of voting left to be done, and nothing is certain until the results are revealed in January. It's tempting to hope that almighty justice will swoop down from the great above and grant Sutter his long-awaited break.

To see the bearded innovator finally take his well-deserved place in the sadly understaffed bullpen of history's Hall of Fame "team" would be nothing short of, well ... a relief.

Scott Kloss
Senior Writer

Staying afloat

Turkey is good. The serotonin still resides in my system: Football was played at 12:30 p.m. between the Lions and Patriots, with the Patriots coming away with a shocking victory. Following that was an old rivalry between the 'Skins and the 'Boys. The Dallas Cowboys and Washington Redskins squared off at Texas Stadium with the end result a 'Boys 27-20 victory—the Cowboys 10th straight versus the Redskins.

"It is becoming one of those psyche things," Redskin defensive tackle Dan Wilkerson said.

The Dallas-Washington rivalry, once the most bitter rivalry in the NFL, has become the most lopsided. No other team has as long of winning streak going against another team, and it's the longest in the history of this 85-game series.

The remarkable part is that Dallas is only 33-48 against the rest of the league since this roll began in November 1997.

The Cowboys have been entertaining fans Dallas perched on the shoulder of Emmit Smith and his 144-yard running attack, the most since he tallied 150 against Washington in December 2000. The loss probably burst any chance Steve Spurrier had at making the playoffs. All the hype of this matchup this Thanksgiving stemmed from a comment Spurrier made in his hiring speech as coach of the Redskins.

When Spurrier was hired in January, he promised owner Dan Snyder the game ball from his first victory over Dallas. A clip of that comment was played inside Texas Stadium just before kickoff, drawing boos that quickly turned to cheers when the screen turned black except for the words, "Not Today, Steve!"

America's team doesn't need to be infuriated. Glad you learned your lesson, Steve.

What was promising was the play of Cowboys quarterback Chad Hutchinson who was 12-of-25 for 145 yards and two touchdowns, including a 29-yard touchdown to Antonio Bryant that gave Dallas a 7-0 second quarter lead. Chad seems to have gained the confidence of his teammates and looks to be the future quarterback in Dallas for years to come, eliminating Quincy Carter's reign.

All good things must come to an end. Over Thanksgiving break the Indiana Pacers found a way to beat the 14-0 Dallas Mavericks 110-98, in a game that could have tied the Mavericks with the Houston Rockets and Washington Bullets as best start in NBA history.

Dallas, a night after pounding the Detroit Pistons, was obviously suffering from back-to-back road games. While the Mavericks fought hard, they were overrun by the deep and talented Pacer lineup, which just made available New York Knick enemy No. 1 Reggie Miller. Miller, who suffered an ankle sprain at the beginning of the season that kept him on the sidelines for the first 14 games of the season, will add yet another offensive weapon to a team that includes power forward sensation Jermaine O'Neal, Ron Artest and Brad Miller.

Dartmouth's swimming and diving team (above) has been cut due to budget cuts. The team recently posted a bid on eBay for a full donation of $211,000 in order to keep the swimming program afloat.

Even though the Mavericks did not complete the record-setting start, they were honored for their accomplishments. On Dec. 2, guards Michael Finley and Steve Nash and forward/center Dirk Nowitzki were selected as the NBA's Western Conference Players of the Month for November. They were the guiding lights for the Mavs, coming within one victory of equaling the best start (15-0) in league history. Coach Don Nelson was named NBA Western Conference Coach of the Month for guiding the Mavericks to the brink of history.

Next is a story only Generation X kids would stumble upon. After a decision was handed down from higher administration eliminating Ivy League college Dartmouth's swimming and diving teams, one swimmer came up with a most ingenious plan. Sophomore Jenny Kunkel, who swims the butterfly, backstroke and the individual medley, posted a bid on eBay for a full donation of $211,000 needed to keep the swimming program afloat.

"In the first night, we got 4,000 hits," said Kunkel. Four-thousand hits and only one exploratory bid as of 5 p.m. Wednesday. This is one event I don't want to turn out as the Decker Effect, a topic I will explore more next week.

Why the problem? Dartmouth administration called for a $260,000 reduction of their annual athletic budget of $10.8 million. Cutting the swimming program would save the college $212,000 or 1.96 percent of its yearly athletic budget, and was targeted as the major cut.

Kunkel and company are even prepared to transfer colleges if a settlement is not finalized.

Justin McCarthy
Senior Writer
(29-20)

NFL Predictions

Atlanta (8-3-1) at Tampa Bay (9-3)

This game features the most explosive quarterback in the league against the league's top defense. The last time these two met that defense knocked Vick out of the game. This time Vick will be looking for vengeance and for first place in the NFC South. The Falcons are one of the league's hottest teams, and hold this season's longest unbeaten streak, at 8 games. The last time they lost was to these same Buccaneers. Ultimately, this game, like the Falcons' season, rests on Vick's shoulders. Unfortunately for Vick, against the Bucs defense he won't be able to rush for 173 yards like he did last week. Tampa Bay has won the last four showdowns between these two. Expect that to be five.

Buffalo (6-6) at New England (7-5)

This divisional battle has major playoff implications, for AFC East is the closest division in the league where all four teams are separated by a single game. This is a must-win game for Buffalo if they hope to stay in the playoff hunt. Last week they beat divisional rival Miami to stay alive; now they have a tougher task in New England. If they lose this week, the Bills will not only fall two games back in the division, but will also lose the tiebreaker to New England. This game will be determined by the Bills' offensive line, if they can protect Bledsoe in the pocket and open a few holes for Henry Buffalo will win this game out of pure necessity. Time to circle the wagons! Sorry Flack, Gerald wins this one.

Houston (3-9) at Pittsburgh (7-4-1)

Do I even need to say much about this game, besides how much the Steelers are going to win by? How about I just rant about how pissed I am that the Steelers are 7-4-1 instead of 8-4. They should have won that game against Atlanta, not tied. That was bull! OK, so Vick is good, but to blow a 17-point lead and then to not win in overtime ... come on, less than one more yard and they would have won. Oh yeah, just to mention, Madden is back as the starting quarterback for Pittsburgh.

Oakland (8-4) at San Diego (8-4)

This season has been a seesaw of ups and downs for the Raiders. They won four, lost four and are currently riding a four-game winning streak. So the question arises, which team will show up for this all-important divisional matchup for first place in the AFC West? The last time they played, San Diego caught Oakland in the middle of their slide. With a win this week, they could take a potential two-game lead in the division because they would own the almighty tiebreaker over Oakland. This game pits the young smashmouth style of the Chargers against the aerial mastery of an aging Raiders squad. I gotta go with the experience, and the fact that the Raiders are playing awesome football right now.

Chicago (3-9) at Miami (7-5)

Fiedler's back. Williams is awesome, Miami wins ... nuff said!

Me Like Sports tuw

Aaron DeRosa
Sports Editor

Bambi and the village drunk

The leaves have all fallen and you wish you had an extra coat. It's that time of the year. You don't want to go out for food because it's cold and windy out in the open, so you sit camouflaged in the brush. It's comfortable but the hunger pangs are getting to you and your parched tongue is lolling out of your mouth with thirst.

You sneak out from your cozy shelter and brush up against a tree; it's almost as cold as you are. Leaves crunch under your weight and you wish the wind wouldn't carry the sound so much.

Moving as quietly as you can past roots and fallen branches, caring not to stumble, you realize it's colder than you thought. A gust of wind welcomes you to the open area surrounding the pond. Ducking your head to the water, you lap your tongue, creating ripples that collide with the ones the wind blows. It's a good day.

BLAM! Your skull collapses as the Homady 139 grain boattail spire point bullet from the 7mm Remington Magnum hunting rifle plows through your cranium. Your four legs crumple under your body and you think and feel no more. You are a deer and today starts hunting season. Welcome to America, better wear a cup 'cause we play hardball.

Yeah, you heard right, we're coming after YOU, Bambi. You thought you were all safe and secure living in "nature," but no, we're smoking you out. It's easy and fun. It wasn't enough to place rivers of cement across your wood paths and jam a metric ton of aluminum up your white-tailed rear if you ever dared to cross. Now we're taking back what's rightfully ours ... everything.

This pathetic display of "humanity" or "masculinity" or whatever killing animals is supposed to show about ourselves has got to stop. Above all, the rhetoric that we're doing this as a "sport" has to stop. As a sports enthusiast, I find it objectionable that this arcane practice can be mentioned in the same breath as something recreational and competitive. Football, baseball, horseback riding, skeet shooting, archery, foxy boxing, mud wrestling ... these are sports.

But I want it made abundantly clear that hunting is legalized cock fighting. We're putting a monkey with a shiv in a ring with a gimp-turkey. It is not a sport if it's not a level playing field (and a match between the L.A. Lakers and the Chicago Bulls doesn't count). There is no sport in senseless and indiscriminant slaughter.

They used to do this in ancient Rome. They put a bunch of slaves in the Colosseum and watched as great warriors tore their limbs from their bodies from encircling chariots. One would think we'd advanced beyond such an arcane and barbaric practice. I suppose not. Maybe we should reinstall vomitoriums in everyone's house ... no meal is complete without reversing the peristaltic effect so that I can run back to the table for my 13th helping. Maybe I should go dump my chamber pot onto the sidewalk while I'm at it.

Do you realize we are the only species on earth that kills for sport? A lion kills for food or defense, not because the wildebeest went to get a glass of water. And if you try to tell me that you hunt for the food, then you have the brain capacity of Linda Tripp because venison sausage has all the flavor of a flame-broiled Goodyear Aquatred. Not to mention that we raise millions of cattle and pigs and slaughter them en masse to stock the shelves at the supermarket, so why not just take advantage of the convenient, corporate-sanctioned sanctioned mass slaughter.

An online article at telvsplanet.net about the defense of hunting states, "Virtually all of the hunter's time is spent observing their quarry's habits, movements and learning about the animals' environment. In other words, a nature walk with a goal."

I like how we get to know a deer on a personal level before revoking its right to live. In most circles, this is called "stalking," but the term "nature walk with a goal" sounds much less sordid.

The article continues, "Understanding why we hunt is probably the most important part of any argument. When we don't give a good reason to hunt, we lose all credibility."

I'm glad the author of this article had the four brain cells necessary to piece together that clever little nugget of argumentation. Fulbright scholar he is not.

But there's more. "Maintaining the ecological balance ensuring that particular types of game populations don't get too large is a good reason for hunting. It doesn't justify hunting on the emotional level, however."

The argument that we need hunting to control the deer population is about as weak as a Russian figure skating performance. How's this for ecological balance: In 1997, 99 hunters were killed due to firearm accidents.

But I actually like that statistic. It shows where the future of hunting is headed—the future is letting a skein of ignorant hicks who think it's fun to bully the wildlife population loose in a park and allow them to take pot shots at each other until there's only one solipsistic monstrosity of a man left with his high cranial ridge and low fontanel drift dragging his wooden club over his hunched shoulders while his Neolithic knuckles drag loosely across the blood-strewn grass. Then, in a last coup de grâce, this objectionable specimen should be flown to Texas where the death penalty is not just legalized but glorified as if Pontius Pilate himself had decreed the *fatwa* and set this man before a jury of deer, elk and other woodland creatures.

But the fact is, these gaptoothed fiends aren't going anywhere. So here are a few signs that may give you a head start as you plan your evacuation. If you hear bird calls that sound like a cat getting a hysterectomy, that's a good sign. If you see anyone wearing phosphorescent orange, a color that screams, "I haven't been laid in years and I'm fairly certain it'll stay that way," that's also a good indication you should be hunkering down in a cave somewhere. And if you hear someone whining that, "They're trying to take my guns away," know that the vindictive wrath of the God of Job is about to be brought upon you and your friends and you should vacate with all the haste of Moses from Egypt.

Godspeed gentle creatures.

TRIVIA

By Justin McCarthy

1. Who is the fastest player in NFL history to reach 600 receptions? (Hint: It's not Jerry Rice.)

2. Who is the only other player to reach 600 receptions in fewer than 120 games? (Hint: It's not Jerry Rice.)

3. Which NFL quarterback holds the record for most consecutive games (47 of them) with a TD pass?

1. Marvin Harrison, in 102 games; 2. Herman Moore, in 118 games; 3. Johnny Unitas.

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1 p.m.

Men's Swimming
Bucknell Trials/Finals Invitational
Saturday, Dec. 7 &
Sunday, Dec. 8
10:30 a.m.

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Saturday, Dec. 7 &
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10:30 a.m.

Men's Basketball
vs. Penn State
Friday, Dec. 20
7:30 p.m.

Statistics

Men's Basketball

Bucknell 61
Columbia 47
Notables: Lalugba 18 pts. 10 reb., Werner 17 pts. 9 reb.

Bucknell 77
George Washington 80
Notables: Lalugba 34 pts. 13 reb., Bettencourt 15 pts.

Bucknell 67
Canisius 71
Notables: Lalugba 21 pts. 10 reb., Quinn 22 pts. 5 reb.

Women's Basketball

Bucknell 100
Canisius 91
Notables: Creamer 31 pts. 6 reb., Franks 28 pts. 4 reb., Almind 22 pts. 10 reb.

Bucknell 95
Drexel 83
Notables: Creamer 23 pts. 8 reb., Franks 20 pts., Ruth 19 pts, 7 reb., Almind 14 pts. 9 reb.

Bucknell 76
Loyola 73
Notables: Creamer 32 pts., Almind 28 pts. 7 reb., Franks 12 pts. 3 reb.

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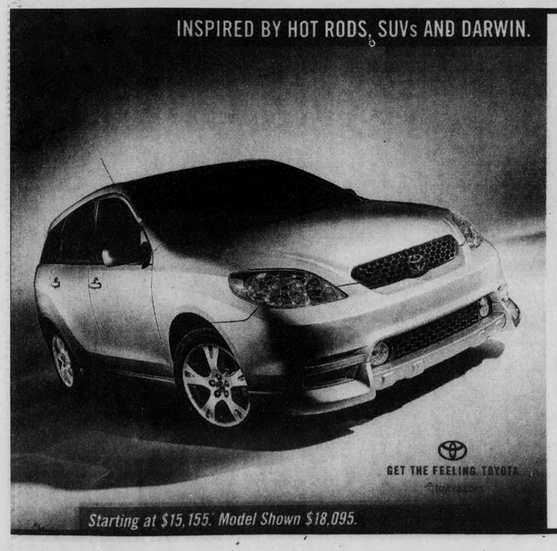

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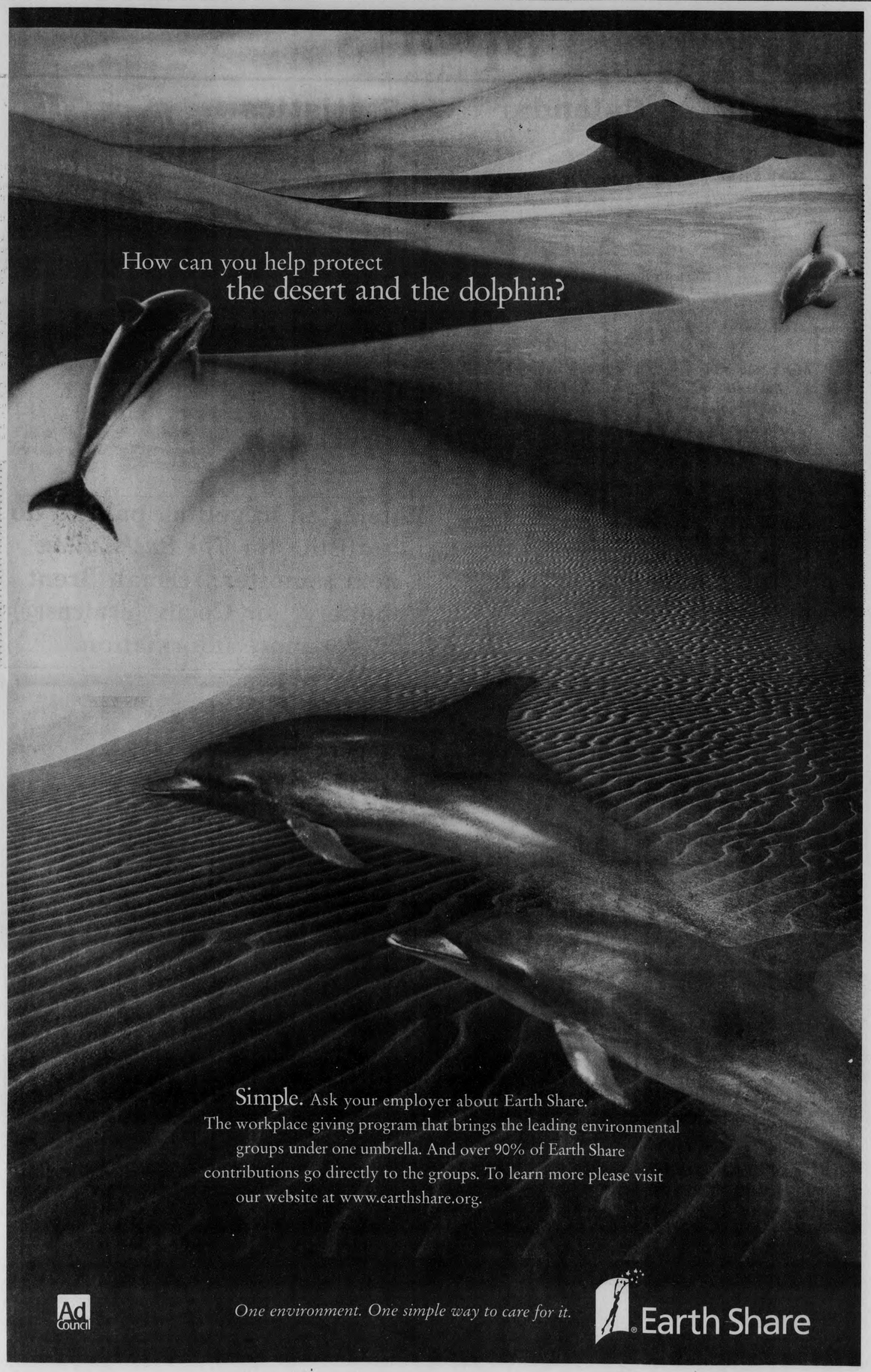
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Sports

Bucknell drops its first home contest of the season

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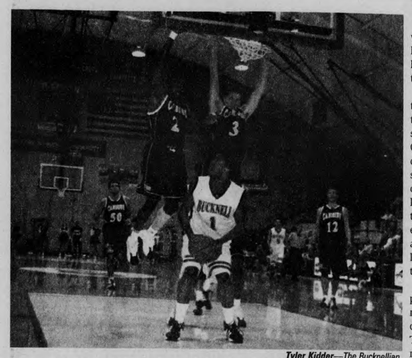

Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian

Forward Ben Slater '04 is about to bring it up strong against Canisius last Tuesday. Slater was fouled on the play, sinking one of two free throws.

"They would make big plays when they counted. If we don't have to dig ourselves out of a hole early then we won't have to fight back so hard anymore."

Bucknell had two opportunities to take the lead when they trailed by one point down the stretch, but Bettencourt and Quinn both failed to capitalize on their respective three-point shots. Although Canisius shot only 56 percent from the foul line for the game, they made their attempts when they counted most and the Bison were not able to tie the game or take the lead on a single possession in the last minute of play.

Second half miscues and 50 percent foul shooting were the nemeses, aside from Canisius, of the Bison on the evening. The Bison look to even their record on Saturday afternoon at 3:15 pm against Saint Francis of Pennsylvania.

Bison men fall to 1-2

SWIMMING From page B2

A number of Bison broke pool records during the meet against Army. Meghan Freese '04 broke the pool record in the 50-meter free with a time of 24.26, while Darby Golino '03 broke the record in the 200 IM with an impressive time of 2:11.71. She also broke the 200-meter backstroke with a time of 2:06.57.

Jackie Feinthel '05 placed first in the 200-fly, and Freese clocked 53.70 in the 100 free to gain another first-place finish on the day. With a time of 5:10.37 Faas made another first-place showing in the 500 free, and Flick timed 2.27.16 in the 200-yard breaststroke to gain yet another first-place finish.

"We really want to go undefeated this year, and if we keep swimming the way we have been it is a definite possibility."
—Lectie Altman '06

With the victory the women's squad has improved its record to 4-0 overall.

"We really want to go undefeated this year," Altman said. "If we keep swimming the way we have been it is a definite possibility."

Mens

With a 1-2 overall record, the men's squad has faltered a little at the beginning of the season, but is looking forward to proving themselves in the future.

By recording 270.07 points in Adam Freeman '05 placed first in the one-meter diving event. He tallied 250.11 points, in order to gain second place in the three-meter diving competition.

His 250.11 points is his highest score in the three-meter for the season.

In the 200-yard breaststroke, William Schilling '06 placed second with an impressive time of 2:10.42. The time placed him eighth on the All-Time list for Bucknell.

Mark Kretzer '06, Stelios Saffos '03, Michael Harrigan '04 and Peter Garvin '04 placed second for Bucknell in the 400-yard medley relay with a time of 3:33.06. Kurt McCoy '03 placed second with a time of 10:03.43, while Gonzalo Diaz '03 placed third with a time of 10:11.07 in the 1,000 free.

In the 200 IM Kretzer placed second with a time of 2:00.49, Matt Hallowell '04 gained the third place position with a time of 2:01.18, while Jack Sheehan '04 gained fourth place with the a time of 2:02.57.

The Bison will host the Bucknell Trials and Finals meet this weekend in Arthur D. Kinney Natatorium, with a start time of 10:30 a.m.

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—Emily Monahan '03 and Jennifer Bower '03

"Get home and have an enjoyable vacation."
—Tolu Fayanjuola '05

"That everybody I know stays safe and doesn't get hurt."
—Matias Palavecino '03

"Money!"
—Kris Graney '06, Romana Baig '06, Cory Downes '06 and Melissa Hendricks '06

"Warm weather."
—Robin Mistretta '06

"Spend time with my family."
—Kassandra French '06

"Lots and lots of snow!"
—Rebecca Schofield '05

"A stress-free semester."
—Sara Bradley '04

"Especially for this holiday season, peace on Earth."
***—Ian Oliver**, University Chaplain*

Hillel teaches the meaning of Hanukkah

By Caitlin McKee
Staff Writer

The Hillel chapter at the University wants to expand children's understanding of Hanukkah beyond the lyrics of Adam Sandler's "Hanukkah Song." Hillel entertained children from Lewisburg's Donald Hieter Community Center with fun and informative activities relating to Hanukkah this past Tuesday. Rebecca Schofield '05, a member of Hillel, said education was the main goal of the activities.

"The goal of the program was to educate kids about Hanukkah. This way if they see a menorah or a dreidel in someone's window, they can say, 'Oh, that person is Jewish, they are celebrating Hanukkah,'" Schofield said.

The University's Rabbi and Jewish Chaplain, Serena Fujita, is the adviser to Hillel. Fujita said that promoting religious tolerance was another goal of the program.

"We want to help children of different backgrounds understand our culture and religion," Fujita said.

Hillel offered the children a wide variety of activities. The kids decorated Hanukkah cookies, played with dreidels and competed in a coloring contest where each child colored the different symbols of Hanukkah. Hillel also added a theatrical activity to their program. University students acted out the story of Hanukkah for the kids. The children were very responsive to the play.

"The kids were so enthusiastic about the story that they wanted to act it out themselves. So, we re-enacted the story with the kids," Schofield said.

Both Fujita and Schofield agree that the program at the Heiter center was very successful.

"The program was a wonderful success. There were lots of Hillel students and about 15 kids from the center. I think we succeeded in all of our goals," Fujita said.

This is the first year that Hillel has worked with the Heiter Community Center. Hillel intends to increase its interaction with the Lewisburg community.

"Hillel is a growing organization, so this is the first year that we have gotten out into the community, but we would like to get more involved," Schofield said.

Hillel sponsors many programs throughout the year that range from Friday night Shabbat dinners to trips to the Holocaust Museum in Washington, D.C.

"Hillel celebrates the Sabbath weekly with a Kabbalat Shabbat service on Friday evenings. Hillel also sponsors the celebration of other Jewish holidays and holy days with dinners and services. In the spring there are two seders that are open to the entire campus community to celebrate Passover," Fujita said. "We also sponsor Jewish educational programs including this fall's program called Death By Chocolate—an exploration of Jewish tests in regard to life after death."

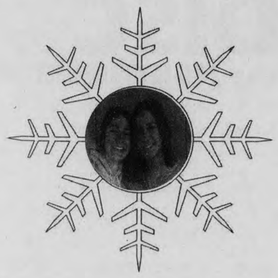
Hillel strives to serve the University's Jewish community.

"Hillel is dedicated to fostering an open Jewish community and sees as its purpose and responsibility meeting the needs of Bucknell's Jewish population. Hillel provides social opportunities, celebrates Jewish holidays, enriches understanding of Jewish traditions and culture and promotes learning and exchange of ideas," Fujita said.

The chapter does not exclusively serve the University's Jewish population. Hillel promotes religious tolerance on campus and encourages students of all religions to participate in its events.

"Bucknell Hillel is committed to enhancing religious and cultural diversity in the broader campus community," Fujita said.

Happy Holidays



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SPECIAL FEATURE

Candlelighting ignites the holiday season

By Josie Cetta
Features Editor

One of the University's most beloved traditions, Candlelighting, will be held on Dec. 6, 8 and 10 at 7:30 p.m. in Rooke Chapel. University students started lining up at 6 a.m. on the first day tickets were available for a chance to attend the ceremony. In one morning, all 2,400 free tickets were gone, and for the past two years, all three services have been sold out in less than two hours.

"The Candlelight Services provide a wonderful opportunity to bring the campus and the Lewisburg community together. Numerous people throughout the region look forward to the service and willingly stand in line to be sure to get tickets for the event. Many have told me that it begins the season for them because it is an opportunity to experience the Christmas story through music and word," said William Payn, director of choral studies at the University.

The traditional two-hour Candlelighting Ceremony, officially called "The Candlelight Service of Lessons and Carols," is loosely based on the famous service of lessons and carols at King's College, Cambridge University, in England. Payn conducts the ceremony, featuring both the Rooke Chapel Choir and the Rooke Chapel Ringers.

"The ceremony is the most beautiful way I can think of to start off the holiday season. It really brings out the true meaning of Christmas through the readings of the birth of Jesus and the music that celebrates the occasion," said Allison Hysong '03, manager of the Ringers for the past two years.

Payn, director of the Candlelight Service of Carols since he first came to the University in 1982, will be celebrating his 20th Candlelighting this year. The service was begun in 1964 by William D. McRae, founder of the Chapel Choir and University professor of music emeritus. Payn added the hand bell ringers in 1983 and introduced the traditional "Ringing-In-Of Christmas," which occurs at the end of the service.

"Putting the Candlelight services together each year is one of the highlights of my first semester work. I will continue with the service until I retire from Bucknell. I assume the tradition will continue long after I am gone," Payn said.

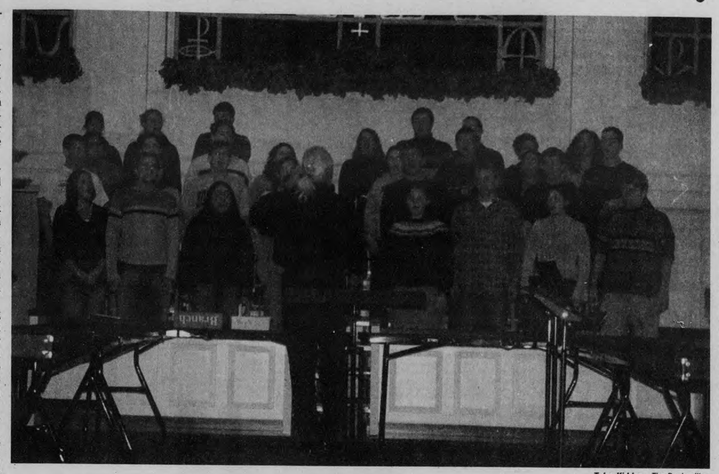
Participants of the event have been preparing for the ceremony since the beginning of fall semester.

"We begin practicing and learning music for Candlelighting usually at the beginning of October. We sing through some of the music before then, but we really begin to focus on it during October," Amanda Robie '03, manager of the Chapel Choir, said.

The Candlelighting Ceremony does live up to its name—there are candles everywhere. Candles line the aisles and the front of the chapel and every participant gets a candle, which is lit for the singing of "Silent Night," toward the end of the service.

So who actually lights all those candles?

"We have eight student ushers for every service who help with the candle lighting," University Chaplain Ian Oliver, coordinator of the readings, said.



Tyler Kidder—*The Bucknellian*

Dr. William Payn directs the Rooke Chapel Choir as they continue to perfect their carols during the final days before their performances this weekend. Both the Chapel Choir and the Chapel Ringers have been rehearsing their show since the beginning of fall semester.

The service is made up of seven lessons from Bible readings telling the Christmas story. There are two scriptures from the book of Isaiah, which have traditionally been interpreted by Christians as foretelling the birth of Jesus Christ, three from the Gospel of Luke (the annunciation to Mary, the birth story and the story of the shepherds), one from the Gospel of Matthew (the story of the Magi) and one from the Gospel of John (on the Incarnation).

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"The explicit message is the story of Advent and Christmas—the Christian story of the expectation for and birth of Jesus. This story is told through 2,000 years of the most beautiful sacred Christmas music from around the world," Oliver said.

According to Oliver, seniors, faculty and staff who are active in Christian groups on or off campus nominate the readers.

"We select readers from all walks of campus life to give the large crowds, up to 850 per night, a sense of Bucknell," Oliver said.

Oliver also prepares the Christmas Prayer, which is said just before the singing of "Silent Night."

"The readings stay exactly the same every year and act as sort of Chapter headings around which the new music for choir and ringers is structured," Oliver said.

Seasonal music and traditional Christmas songs from around the world are performed by the Chapel Choir and the Chapel Ringers. The ringers play eight songs, alternating with the Chapel Choir, the readings and the Christmas carols. Some songs to be played by the Chapel Ringers include "Come, Thou Fount of Ev'ry Blessing," "The Wexford Carol," "Manger Lullaby" and "O For A Thousand Tongues."

"Usually the songs vary from year to year, but we always play 'The March of the Kings,' which is our signature piece and a crowd pleaser," Hysong said.

"We work to make the service different and special each year, while keeping the basic message the same," Oliver said.

There are favorites that remain from year to year including "Still Still Still," by Norman Luboff, and the traditional carols of "All Creatures of our God on High," "O Come, All Ye Faithful," "On This Day Earth Shall Ring," "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" and "Joy to the World."

Also, the carols "Once In Royal David's City" and "Silent Night" have solos performed by different singers each night of the ceremony. This year's performance of "Once In Royal David's City" will be performed by Sara Mastrony '03 on Friday night, Allison Davies '04 on Sunday night and Leanne Meriton '05 on Tuesday night. "Silent Night" will be sung by Alison Landgraf '03 on Friday night, Kathryn O'Heir '03 on Sunday night and Katherine Palumbo '04 on Tuesday night.

A solo song is also sung annually by a senior music major, which will be Robie this year singing "Polish Lullaby."

"This year, the Chapel Choir is singing many traditional carols, some of which use nontraditional harmonies," Robie said.

The Chapel Ringers are chosen by audition and must have prior experience. Payn holds auditions for the Chapel Choir at the beginning of each school year. The choir is a part of the Sunday non-denominational Christian services.

"The Chapel Choir is a highly select group of singers, but the singers come from all majors throughout the University," Robie said.

According to Payn, there are many "behind the scenes" people who come together to make the ceremony work—physical plant personnel who set the stage and decorate the sanctuary; Ruth Ann Craven, the chapel secretary, who handles tickets and ushers; Connie Boyer, University Custodian who does decorations and lighting; and Art Moser, Mail Services Supervisor, who donates and creates wreaths. In the end, their collective efforts shine through.

"At the end of the ceremony we ring in Christmas. We have invited students from Bucknell to be extra ringers to help us do the job. We surround the congregation and play peals on the bells and then Payn comes in with the organ and the whole congregation sings 'Joy to the World,'" Oliver said.

The service is video taped every four years, by WVIA-TV in Wilkes-Barre/Scranton, so that every choir and ringer member gets a chance to be on television. The production was nominated for an Emmy in 1996.

The ceremony will not be taped again until next year. Public Broadcasting System television stations throughout the world will be airing the Thursday, Dec. 2, 1999 Candlelight Service from Dec. 22-25.

Rutgers professor gives lecture on Jane Austen

By Rachel Gold
Senior Writer

William Galperin, professor of English at Rutgers University, spoke about "the body in Jane Austen's last works," at this semester's Robbins Lecture, given by a professor in a particular English genre, on Thursday, Nov. 21. Galperin, an expert on Jane Austen's novels and the Romantic period, split his lecture into four parts, focusing mostly on Austen's last work, "Persuasion" and her unpublished novel "Sandition."

"Austen wrote her novels in the 1790s, and the world in which she was writing about had disappeared when her works were finally published in the mid-1800s," Galperin said.

As a result, Austen's novels are permeated with a tone of nostalgia, however not in the conservative "looking back" sense of the word. Nostalgia, Galperin believes, refers more to the optimistic view that change is just around the corner.

Galperin discussed the use of "free independent discourse" as a form of narration commonly found in Austen's works.

"Ann, the main character in 'Persuasion,' maintains autonomy rather then being at the disposal of ideology," Galperin said.

He also discussed family and class issues in Austen's work. Galperin contends that Ann is neither strictly selfish nor autonomous in "Persuasion" but, rather, her individualism reflects conservatism.

"The reader is free to question if they are reading about Ann, or Ann according to the narrator. There is less direct criticism in 'Persuasion' than in 'Emma,' for in 'Persuasion' Ann's autonomy and selfishness allows her to escape 'persuasion' by internalizing a space for herself," Galperin said.

Galperin spoke to the audience on the concept of "learned romance."

"Ann's agency is open to interpretation in 'Persuasion.' She resists being 'over-persuaded' while dealing with the fact that she has lost her bloom, to be quite frank, and is simultaneously restricted by social laws and norms," Galperin said.

He spoke about the ideology of desire and its discourse. Ann, he said, had an impulse of "self-preservation" while dealing with the circumstantial details of domesticity and marriage.

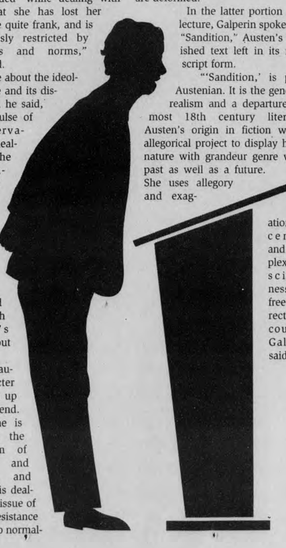
Any reader passionate about Austen's novels could identify with Galperin's assertion about her themes.

"The beautiful character of Ann ends up at a dead end. For one, she is faced with the social norm of marriage and domesticity, and for two she is dealing with the issue of a Utopian resistance or aversion to normalcy," Galperin said.

He also touched on the role misogyny plays in Austen's works, seeing that "women of 'Persuasion' are deformed because they are subordinate and subordinated because they are deformed."

In the latter portion of the lecture, Galperin spoke about "Sandition," Austen's unfinished text left in its manuscript form.

"'Sandition,' is purely Austenian. It is the genesis of realism and a departure from most 18th century literature. Austen's origin in fiction was an allegorical project to display human nature with grandeur genre with a past as well as a future. She uses allegory and exaggeration with central and complex consciousness of free indirect discourse," Galperin said.



Galperin further discussed the relationship between opposition and progression.

"Austen maintains autonomy rather than the disposal of ideology. In 'Sandition,' interestingly enough the anorexic, hypochondriac and socially rebellious characters outside the 'quotations' are exceptionally healthy. These characters practice pathological objection and act in opposition to the group. As a result, these characters are able to make progress towards disenchantment of their problems," Galperin said.

Before opening the lecture up for a period of question and answer, Galperin ended with, "disappointment, however present, is always answerable."

The Willard Smith Library was filled with many University English professors who are also very well-read on Austen and the Romantic period.

"This disease of language you speak of, are we dealing with hysteria? Is this a narrative 'disease'?" Assistant Professor of English Ghislaine McDayter said.

The audience laughed when Galperin said, "Ann is healthiest when she is autonomous and looks ugly. She is 'sick' when she 'falls into quotation.' This is the paradox of ideology."

"I guess Ann becomes a radical outside of language and therefore it's a lose-lose situation for her," McDayter said.

"Yes, you can no longer celebrate being ugly and single," Galperin said.

Galperin once again touched on the confusion of narration, often a topic of debate in Austen's novels.

"Austen's free, independent discourse is often met with hard tough skepticism anchored in lost opportunity and disappointment," Galperin said.

He said that Austen's narrative is equal to liberalism; it is a voice from nowhere.

"Her use of free, independent discourse casts everything before the 'I' into a more critical light," Galperin said.

> *"Professor Galperin's lecture really brought out the social and gender issues that I find so compelling and timeless in Austen's books."*
> ***—Kasey Morgenheim '04***

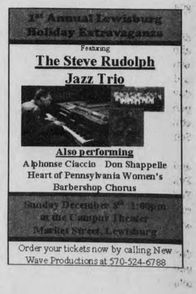
English major Kasey Morgenheim '04 enjoyed Galperin's lecture.

"Professor Galperin's lecture really brought out the social and gender issues that I find so compelling and timeless in Austen's books," Morgenheim said.

Since Morgenheim will be taking a course about Austen in Bath, England next semester she wanted to learn more about her novels from an expert reader of the Romantic period.

Associate Professor and English Department Chair John Rickard enjoys attending the lectures lead by well-respected members of academia.

"It's a great treat to have speakers at the Robbins Lecture each year. It gives students the opportunity to hear a challenging point of view. The Robbins lecture gives professors and students the chance to know what's going on in the area of scholarship," Rickard said.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Arts & Entertainment

Opera Company masters Mozart

By Julianna Pietak
Senior Writer

The Bucknell Opera Company provided a showcase of the beautiful and virtuosic music of Mozart, as well as the rich talent of University students, on Saturday, Nov. 23. The show, entitled "Mozart Magic," consisted of various scenes from four of Mozart's operas, all dating from the end of the 18th century.

The company opened with selected scenes from the comedic "Don Giovanni," set in 17th century Seville. This opera unfolds the adventures of the libertine and central character Don Giovanni.

Photos by **Tyler Kidder**—*The Bucknellian*

Students from the Bucknell Opera Company perform in "Mozart Magic." The show consisted of various scenes from four of Mozart's operas.

Beginning with a recitative, a type of "speak-singing" common to opera, this opening scene then moved to "Ah Chi Mi Dice Mai."

In this song, Donna Elvira, performed by Nadia Nash '03, sings of a lover who has stood her up. Don Giovanni and his servant Leporello, portrayed by Kyle McGee '04 and Eric Loveland '03, respectively, look on as they are drawn to the woman. When Don Giovanni approaches her, he realizes that this woman has been one of his many conquests, and it is he who has abandoned her.

The comedic song performed by Loveland afterwards informs Donna Elvira that she is only one of thousands of Don Giovanni's conquests, and goes through a list of how many there have been.

We then see Don Giovanni shift his desires to the country maiden Zerlina, performed by Amanda Robie '03, wooing her with promises of marriage. Donna Elvira confronts them in the angry "Ah! Fuggi il Traditor!" The last scene performed from this opera provides some resolution when Zerlina is reconciled with her abandoned lover in the humorous yet sentimental "Batti, Batti, o Bel Masetto."

Selections from "Die Zauberflote," or "The Magic Flute," followed on the program. It opened with the Queen of the Night, played by Rachel Crane '04, enacting a curse on Sarastro, played by Loveland. In the next song, "In Diesen Heil'gen Hallen," Sarastro is within the temple walls, singing of the safe haven they provide for him.

The plot then jumps to Papageno, the queen's bird catcher, performed by McGee. He sings the perky "Ein Madchen oder Weibchen" about someday finding a wife. His wife appears in the next scene performed in the shape of Papagena, leading to an equally perky duet about marriage and children between the two.

Another comedic plot develops in "Cosi fan Tutte." This opera relates the tale of Don Alfonso, an older cynic who devises a plan to test the faithfulness of his best friend's fiancées. Convinced that women are not to be trusted, he tells these sisters that their lovers have been sent to war then confronts them with temptations to see if they yield.

The sisters, Fiordiligi, sung by Crane, and Dorabella, performed by Robie, open with a sentimental ballad while admiring their lovers' pictures in their lockets. Don Alfonso then makes his entrance, and all three perform "Soave sia il Vento," a very lyrical ballad performed with close harmonies unusual to the operatic style.

The sisters then go into mourning with the news of their lovers being sent to war in the dramatic but humorous "Ag Scostati ... Smanie Implacabili che M'agitate." Their maid, who is looking on, encourages them to "forget and be gay" in the witty "In Uomini, in Soldati Sperare Fedelta."

Crane and Loveland then closed the night's show with a performance of "Durch Zartlichkeit und Schmeicheln" and "Ich Gehe Doch Rate ich Dir" from Mozart's "Die Entfuhrung aus dem Serail." The first piece, sung by Crane, tells of winning a woman's heart through tenderness and kindness. Loveland's Osmin provided the opposing view in the next song, which orders Crane's Blonde to love him. This soon erupts into a literal argument in song, ending the performance with Blonde chasing Osmin off the stage.

Each of the pieces done throughout the evening was colorful and skillfully performed. One obstacle common to enjoying opera today is the language barrier, as most classical operas were written in languages other than English. The University opera company sought to overcome this by projecting English translations of the songs being performed on to a screen over the stage.

Gospel choir fills the air with praise

By David Allen
Staff Writer

The Voices of Praise Gospel Choir gave a rousing performance in Bucknell Hall infused with a powerful spiritual element on Saturday Nov. 22.

"You haven't just come here for a concert, you're here for an experience," Director Tim Johnson's '04 said to the audience

Group member Nisan Trotter '05 gave a short introduction in which he conveyed his excitement for the evening's performance. He also encouraged the audience to participate in the group's performance.

"Pour your hearts into what God has for us tonight," Trotter said.

The choir's first set of songs was also prefaced by a short prayer by Melinda Kummer '05 and a reading of a Psalm of Thanks from the Bible by Shalanda Turner '06 and Matt Carriuolo '05.

The songs that the group performed reflected very strong spiritual beliefs and faith in God. One song included the refrain, "The Lord has been so good to me," delivering a very appropriate message of giving thanks at this concert, only days before the University's Thanksgiving break.

Raphael Hammond '05 was the featured soloist in a song entitled "Faith," in which the choir emphasized the power that faith in God gives ordinary people. The choir sang the refrain, "I can do the impossible, I can see the invisible," with conviction and energy. Members of the audience were encouraged to sing along, clap or to otherwise express themselves.

When some of the choir members took a break to rest their voices, Candacy McCalman '04 and Michelle McCotter '03 remained on stage and read Biblical passages from the Book of Psalms. Before the choir returned to the stage, Hammond gave a brief testimony talking about his life struggles and his conversion from a "thug" life to a Christian life guided by God. Hammond said that his conversion was brought about by a realization that he would not live forever. He gave thanks for the blessings in his life and stressed the importance of a positive outlook in life, seeing "gain, not loss; success, not failure."

The choir's next selection, "No Weapon," featured a solo by Nortey Yeboah '05. During the song, Johnson gave a brief speech in which he cited the song's refrain, "no weapon formed against me shall prosper," and identified racism as one such "weapon" that cannot be allowed to prosper in the University community. He asked members to stand in support of an end to racism on campus; all in the audience stood. Cara Anderman '03 said that she was especially moved by Johnson's message regarding the true nature of knowledge and learning at the University.

"If you don't learn how to love each other, then you've missed it," Anderman said.

The concert closed with two very powerful numbers. The first song, "Why Do We Sing?" gave the evening's program its title and borrowed lyrics from the traditional spiritual "His Eye is on the Sparrow" to help the choir express its true purpose with the lyrics, "I sing because I'm happy/I sing because I'm free/His eye is on the sparrow/That's the reason why we sing." The last song, "King of Kings," followed by the "Amen" refrain once again brought all members of the audience to their feet.

According to Melissa Agrimanakis '06, a Jewish student who attended the concert to support several of her friends, the performance was a very unique cultural experience.

Unappreciated art exhibit warrants visitors

By Kristen Habacht
Senior Writer

As many students around campus realize, the University is filled with resources available for our disposal, but few of them are ever used. One such example is the Edward and Marthann Samek Art Gallery in the Langone Center. Recently I took the opportunity to explore this resource and visit the Lewis deSoto exhibit. The exhibit, which runs through Monday, is titled "Paranirvana" and is a self-portrait of the artist. The piece is said to be one that "raises profound questions about life, death and spirituality." It is a painted cloth that inflates to an impressive 26-by-7-by-6 feet.

"The really exciting experience in the Lewis deSoto exhibition is to view to view the huge sculpture—which he calls 'Paranirvana (self-portrait)'—fill with air. Watch it breathe its first breaths each day when the gallery opens, or 15 minutes before the gallery closes one can watch it deflate and breathe its last breath," Associate Professor of Art Christiane Andersson.

"The sculpture is a provocative paradox," Daniel Mills, Art Gallery director, said. "It is monumental, yet empty; it depicts a massive and solid stone form, but it is as light as air and vulnerable. DeSoto effectually captures the moment between life and death—the last breath and the first instant after life."

In the catalogue essay, Stephanie Hanor explains what the exhibit's title, "Paranirvana," means.

"Paranirvana is the term for a divine state of consciousness higher than nirvana, the place obtained by the absence of all desire. Upon his death, the Buddha achieved the transcendental condition of 'total extinction' (or parinirvana) in which the physical elements of the human body and the material world are permanently left behind for a greater, more peaceful, spiritual transcendence."

Hanor also explained how this title relates to deSoto's work.

"DeSoto's representation of the exact moment between life and death, the moment of the Buddha's last breath, is reinforced by the action of the fan. Turned on each morning to inflate the work, the fan in effect 'breathes' air, and by implication, life into the Buddha. Each evening the fan is turned off, causing the work to deflate and visually expressing the passing of life and the expiring of the Buddha."

Dance Company performance will awe

By Kristi Johnston
Senior Writer

It's the end of the semester. That means finals, papers, getting ready for break ... and the Fall Dance Performance of the Bucknell Dance Company (BDC). This year's performance will be held today and tomorrow at 8 p.m. in the Harvey Powers Theatre. While it will undoubtedly feature the energy and grace that is a trademark of the BDC, this year's performance will include some changes from those of past years.

"I want to stress that this is a very special concert for us," Associate Professor of Dance and BDC Director Er-Dong Hu said. "I feel that we have captured a sense of unity and enthusiasm in working together throughout the semester. The concert is also unique in that we have been fortunate enough to enjoy the contributions that the theatre and dance department faculty have made in the areas of lighting, scenery and costumes."

Hu has choreographed a piece for the performance, called "Reminisce." In it, he hopes to convey the emotional aspects of memory and change in life.

"It is about those moments when you see something that reminds you of events and people in your past and it brings back all different types of emotions and memories about relationships you've had with people," Hu said.

Stephanie Yezek '03, Emily Cope '03, Lyn Wheeler, Victoria Willers '04 and guest artist Li-Chou have also choreographed pieces for the performance.

Hu said Chou's piece, entitled "Youth," is "a celebration of youth and the enjoyment of being young and beautiful. It uses classical ballet technique to portray a sense of joy and happiness in being young and full of energy."

Hu is enthusiastic about the level of talent and leadership that will be reflected in this year's performance.

"The variety of dance styles in the concert allows for our dancers to show their artistic breadth," he said. "In doing so, I feel that we are able to capture the individuality of each of our dancers as they are given the opportunity to showcase their strengths.

Hu is also looking forward to seeing students as leaders.

"I also believe that one of the major goals for producing a main-stage dance production is to allow the students to take on leadership roles through choreographing their own works. This allows them to experience the creative process and apply what they have learned in the classroom to creating their own work for the stage."

Tickets for the performance are $6 and are available at the Weis Center Box Office.

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Students try Thai

Bucknell Association for Arts sponsors international cooking lessons

Courtesy of the Craft Center

Lala Musayev '03 proudly presents her Thai dish. Because of the positive feedback received for the Thai cooking lessons, more international cooking lessons are slated to be held in the future.

By Melinda Kummer
A&E Editor

Students tired of the choices offered by the Caf were given an opportunity to change their eating options by cooking for themselves. With funding from the Bucknell Association for the Arts, the Craft Center held international cooking lessons on Nov. 21. Pawin Sriusvagool '03 instructed the class of eight students in the art of Thai cooking.

Han Thurain '04, the Freemont Intern at the Craft Center, desired to incorporate culture and the arts. The resulting idea was international cooking lessons.

"We've always had the facilities to hold cooking lessons, but we've never used them until now," Craft Center Coordinator Gretchen Heuges said.

Chicken and cashew nuts were on the menu with all of the ingredients bought fresh from the market.

"The techniques taught of sautéing and reading recipes will aid students in applying their new skills to cooking other dishes as well," Sriusvagool said.

Sriusvagool was excited to be the first instructor in the new program and to bring Thai culture to the students.

"Thai cooking is well-known throughout the world, but it's not available in Lewisburg. These lessons are educational on more than one level," he said.

Due to the positive feedback from the first endeavor, the international cooking lessons are slated to be held again next semester with Russian and Turkish dishes.

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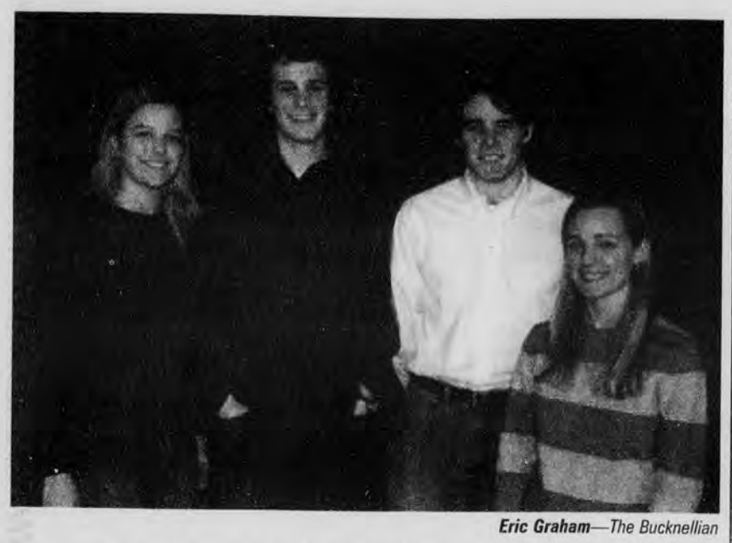

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Pictured from left to right are Vice President of Administration Jenn Pusty '05, Vice President of Finance John Gray '04, Vice President of Operations Jack Phillips '04 and Student Body President Katy Timer '04. One of BSG's new goals is to be more visible within the campus.

BSG sets goal to gain campus visibility

By Elisabeth Salemme
News Editor

New executive officers for the Bucknell Student Government (BSG) were elected by the student body for the 2003 calender year just prior to winter break.

Katy Timer '04 will head BSG, Jack Phillips '04 will serve as Vice President of Operations, John Gray '04 will serve as Vice President of Finance and Jenn Pusty '05 will serve as Vice President of Administration.

According to Timer, a major goal for the new executive board is visibility. Timer said she plans to tackle this goal by reaching out to some of the campus leaders, such as presidents of clubs and organizations, Resident Assistants and the Interfraternity Council Panel to explain exactly what BSG does and how the office hours for the executive board can be used to serve students.

"I plan to accomplish this by sending a letter via campus mail to individual's mailboxes," Timer said.

Pusty also has plans to achieve the goal of visibility.

"I plan on utilizing the bulletin boards in the mail room to inform students of the different things that are going on in BSG. Information such as the minutes of meetings, appropriations decisions, announcements, updates and profiles of the members [will be provided]," Pusty said.

Timer said another goal she has is to work closely with the BSG Congress and the individual committees.

"The committees are where I see BSG being most effective. The members of the committees consist of students in every class year and a diverse background of involvement with Bucknell organizations and interests. Along with my own ideas, I would really like to use them as a resource for what projects BSG needs to work on," Timer.said

According to Vice President of the sophomore class Helen Britz, at the first meeting with the new executive board, the plan of visibility, strength-

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Sojka Pavilion open for business

Men's and women's basketball teams take to the floor for the first time on Jan. 15

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The new Sojka Pavilion opened for its first basketball game (top left). The pavilion was dedicated to Professor Gary Sojka and his wife Sandra (above). Sojka spoke to the crowd between the men's and women's basketball games (bottom left).

By Alyson Walker
Features Editor

The Sojka Pavilion was officially dedicated in honor of 13th University President and Professor of Biology Gary Sojka on Wednesday, Jan. 15. The ceremony occurred between the women's and men's basketball games against Lehigh.

The new arena seats 4,000 people, and it was packed with faculty, staff, students and members of the Lewisburg community for the inaugural game. John Hardt, director of athletics and communications, said that more than 1,900 students attended the games and the dedication.

Chairperson of the Board of Trustees Lee Hamilton '57 welcomed the crowd and commented on the group assembled in the arena.

"It's appropriate to have the whole University family here to dedicate this building tonight," Hamilton said.

After cutting the ribbon with his wife Sandra, Sojka thanked everyone who had helped with the construction of the arena, from lead donors to the construction workers. He quickly pointed out that the new arena and the dedication ceremony was not, as Hamilton said, "all about one person, Gary Sojka."

"I know that it's dangerous to contradict the chairperson of the board, but I'm going to—you said it was all about a particular person, but it's not—it's about Bucknell," Sojka said.

Sojka recognized Joe Gibland, who was in attendance for the last game at Tustin Gym, the first game at Davis Gym and the first game at Sojka Pavilion.

The arena, Sojka said, is more than just a new building. It is part of the history and legacy of the University.

"Davis Gym represents the past—the future will be played out on these boards. Tonight we start to write a new chapter of Bucknell University," Sojka said.

Sojka also discussed the student-athletes, who were a "steady, unbroken line of orange and blue." He said that he was fortunate, as a teacher, to have had some of these students in his classes.

"We are truly among the nation's elite when it comes to college athletics in the production of Academic All-Americans, Patriot League Scholar-Athletes and athlete graduation rates," Sojka said.

He also spoke of the pavilion's many uses besides basketball, including student life activities that would not fit the atmosphere of Weis Center for the Performing Arts. Sojka also suggested the use of the arena as an alternative location for Commencement.

Concluding his remarks and showing his pride in the University, Sojka said, "Go Bison!"

University President Steffen Rogers spoke of the late Robert E. Smith '39, who served as chairman emeritus of the University Board of Trustees. Smith and his wife, Margaret Farrell Smith '41, contributed $8 million towards the new recreation and athletic center. Prior to his death in May, Smith privately asked that the arena be named for Sojka.

Smith was an economics major at the University as well as a member of the varsity basketball team. He played in the last game at Tustin Gym, and also in the inaugural game at Davis Gym.

"Wouldn't it have been wonderful if he had seen the last game at Davis Gym and the first game in Sojka Pavilion," Rogers said. "Bob and Margaret Smith brought their love for the University full circle by naming the pavilion for someone they admired, Gary Sojka."

Rogers spoke of Sojka's dedication to teaching and contributions to the University as both its president and a faculty member.

"There are few people in the world like Gary Sojka—so dedicated and focused and yet so personable. His drive and spirit are dedicated to teaching. Sojka is one of our finest

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Surgala named interim VP Finance

By Jim Leahy
Senior Writer

To replace Lema, the University announced that the chief financial officer for the JPM Company in Lewisburg, David Surgala, would fill the position in the interim while a national search takes place.

He came to the University through many mutual relationships, and with the closing of the JPM facilities in Lewisburg, his job as CFO was ending. In addition, the University was without a financial leader, something that is necessary. Following meetings with University President Steffen Rogers, Surgala was offered the interim job and he accepted.

The University's quiet loss of Vice President for Finance and Administration (VPFA) Jo-Anne Lema at the close of last semester leaves many questions unanswered. The budget is faltering, spending cuts are in the works and the endowment of the University, according to the latest financial statements, is falling.

Other financial figures are equally as troubling. The University's investment income for 2002 was -$49 million, down from -$7 million in 2001 and sharply down from $85 million in 2000.

Lema was hired in June 2000 following a national search in the higher education community. She was the director of finance and technology at St. Paul's School in New Hampshire. Lema was touted as a perfect match because her previous job was so closely related to her job at the University. Lema decided to go in a different direction at the end of last semester and left abruptly in December.

Before Bucknell, Surgala was hired in January of 1999 by JPM when the company was at its pinnacle in creating a global cable assembly business. The company was negatively affected by the weakening in the telecommunications, technology and dot com industries. As a result, it filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection and is now operating as part of Sanmina-SCI, which will close its Lewisburg and Beaver Springs facilities by the end of March. The closings will affect 320 workers.

Surgala and whoever is hired to replace him on a full-time basis has a large and important role at the University, judging by all those who report to him. The departments at the University underneath the VPFA include business and finance, personnel, administrative and auxiliary services, and facilities.

The University's financial position, judging by the numbers published in the "Annual Report of Donors and Volunteers" now available in the Langone Center, is not nearly as strong as it was several years ago. According to the financial report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, the University's endowment was $364 million. That figure was down sharply from 2001 when it was $428 million and 2000 when it was

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$464 million.

Other financial figures are equally as troubling. The University's investment income for 2002 was -$49 million, down from -$7 million in 2001 and sharply down from $85 million in 2000. Operating expenses during the same period continued to rise. In 2002, they were $116 million, $109 million in 2001 and $103 million in 2000. All this would point to a certain weakening in the University's finances.

The administration maintains this will get better and that the financial position will strengthen as the market and economy begin to improve. This is a complicated matter and in the long run, most are confident the University will come back stronger from its current problems.

"I have not found any reason to believe that there ever were or are serious problems with the

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Class of 2006 celebrates 3rd annual First Night

By Meghan Fox
Staff Writer

On Tuesday evening, the Class of 2006 gathered for the third annual celebration of First Night, the University's ceremonial recognition of first year students as having official Bucknell status.

The event began shortly after 7, as the first year class filled the pews of Rooke Chapel, partly unsure of what to expect.

"I didn't have high expectations going into it, but they [the class officers] kept it focused and to the point. I think they did a good job," Zoe Hamburger '06 said.

The first speaker of the night, Davis Flinchbaugh briefly described the importance of First Night and noted the bond that now links the Class of '06 with alumni and fellow Bucknellians.

Amy Badal, assistant dean of students, followed Flinchbaugh with congratulatory words, noting both the student's academic achievement and "incredible impact on campus."

With the theme from "Ghostbusters" echoing throughout the chapel, Paul Wolujewicz, class president, Kyle Mumford, vice president, and Joel Buckman, secretary and treasurer, strut down the center isle accompanied by a roar of laughter and applause.

Wolujewicz gave an enthusiastic greeting to the class of and then asked everyone to stand as the Reserve Officer Training Corp (ROTC) presented the American flag, the University's banner, and the class's newly designed crest.

The crest was designed with student input and collaboration among the officers and members of Bucknell Student Government (BSG).

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First Year Students sang "Dear Bucknell" to President Rogers at his home during First Night on Tuesday.

The class motto was chosen first: "Our passion motivates, our knowledge changes the world."

The class colors and shield were then designed to reflect the motto.

"Our colors, red, silver and black represent the character of the class. The red represents the passion in which we change the world,- the silver represents our swiftness in doing so and the black represents, the permanence of our change," BSG R Amanda Roof said.

"Our motto is written in Latin representative because just as the Latin language is unchanging, so our motto and the determination it stands for will not change," said Scott Messenger, first member of BSG

In the center of the shield, a book was chosen to depict the collected knowledge the class possesses, and the flames of passion by which the class is inspired.

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Public Safety Log

Sunday Jan. 12

INFORMATION—Public Safety responded to Kalman Posner for the report of a possible unauthorized entry into a room through an exterior window. Upon investigation, the officers determined that the report was unfounded.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed a Sony Playstation II, 3 or 4 games for the Playstation and eight DVDs from his Trax Hall room. He is unsure if he locked his room before leaving for break. The incident is under investigation.

Monday, Jan. 13

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed a cup containing approximately $30 in quarters, and a case of beer from his Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity room. East Buffalo Police Department was notified. The incident is under investigation.

HARASSMENT / TERRORISTIC THREATS—A student reported to Public Safety that the father of his girlfriend's roommate did not appreciate finding him in the girl's McDonnell Hall room and threatened to throw him out of the room, causing the student to feel intimidated. The incident is under investigation.

Tuesday, Jan. 14

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed a Sony Playstation II valued at $200 from his Bucknell West Mod. East Buffalo Police Department was notified. The incident is under investigation.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed a laptop computer, telephone, and coin bank from her Trax Hall room. Her room door was locked, but the window was found partially open. Lewisburg Police Department responded. The incident is under investigation.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed four DVDs, a checkbook, a savings account book and a $200 gift certificate from her room at Swartz Hall. She locked her room window when she went on break but found it unlocked when she returned. East Buffalo Township Police Department was notified. The incident is under investigation.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed a Sony Playstation II, and 4 games for the Playstation from his room at the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity. Lewisburg Police Department responded. The incident is under investigation.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed a seven-disc DVD set and a wine jug full of coins from his room at the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity. Lewisburg Police Department was notified. The incident is under investigation.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed a jacket from her room in Kress Hall while she was on break. Her room door was locked, but the window was found partially open. Lewisburg Police Department was notified. The incident is under investigation.

Wednesday, Jan. 15

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF / THEFT—An employee reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) forced open the rear door to the Larison Hall Dining Room and removed four trash cans valued at $90. Lewisburg Police Department was notified. The incident is under investigation.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—Public Safety responded to Smith Hall for the report of an ill student. A Student Health Services driver responded and transported the student to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment. She returned to campus.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed three DVDs valued at $65 and a poster from his room at the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity. East Buffalo Township Police Department was notified. The incident is under investigation.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed a Gibson Les-Paul guitar valued at $800 from his room at the Kappa Delta Rho Fraternity. East Buffalo Township Police Department was notified. The incident is under investigation.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed a TI-89 graphic calculator valued at $165 from her unlocked room at Vedder Hall. Lewisburg Police Department was notified. The incident is under investigation.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed a jacket valued at $100, a pack of quarters and a box of pop tarts from her locked room at Kress Hall. The room window was unlocked. Lewisburg Police Department notified. The incident is under investigation.

Thursday, Jan. 16

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) had taken a golf club from his room in McDonnell Hall. The incident is under investigation.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student contacted Public Safety and requested transportation for another student who had injured his hand. A Student Health Services driver transported the individual to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment and the student later returned to campus.

Friday, Jan. 17

THEFT—An employee reported to Public Safety Office that unknown person(s)removed a mop, bucket, and shovel from room 7D in Dana Engineering. The incident is under investigation.

INFORMATION—Public Safety responded to the Production Center for the report of damage to a heating unit caused by a delivery truck backing into it. Physical Plant responded to make emergency repairs.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—An RA reported to Public Safety that a group of underage individuals were consuming alcohol in McDonnell Hall. Upon investigation, it was determined that five students admitted to drinking alcohol although under the age of 21 years. The students were cited for underage consumption.

Saturday, Jan. 18

ACT 64 / DRUG VIOLATION—A student reported to Public Safety an odor of marijuana in Smith Hall. Upon arrival, officers did detect a strong odor of marijuana on the hallway but the origin could not be determined. The incident is considered unfounded.

INFORMATION / DOMESTIC—Public Safety responded to Vedder Hall for the report of possible harassment. Upon investigation, Public Safety determined that two students were arguing. The individuals apologized for the disturbance.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student contacted Public Safety and requested transportation to Evangelical Community Hospital for treatment of a stomach flu. A Student Health Services driver transported the student who later returned to campus.

VEHICLE ACCIDENT—Public Safety responded to Fraternity Road at the rear of Dana Engineering Building for the report of a motor vehicle accident. A visitor attempted to drive his vehicle around the University garbage truck while it was backing up causing the garbage truck to strike the visitors car. The visitor admitted fault and did not wish to request compensation for the minor damage to his vehicle.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF / VANDALISM—A contractor reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) caused damage to four rooms in the building.

VEHICLE ACCIDENT—A student reported to Public Safety that his visitor backed into an illegally parked car on Coleman Road. East Buffalo Township Police responded and will assist with the investigation since neither of the vehicles were registered to University personnel. Citations were issued for parking violations.

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Marrara hired as Dean of fraternity and sorority affairs

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By Jaclyn Carr
Staff Writer

Lewis "Chip" Marrara became the new assistant dean of students for fraternity and sorority affairs this month.

Marrara replaced Roy Baker, the former dean of Greek life for six years, who retired from his position at the university at the end of last semester to become the vice president of student affairs at Catawba College in North Carolina.

Due to Marrara's previous experience with Greek life at other universities, many are looking forward to working with him.

"He is very careful, conscientious and approachable, which will help in communicating with those associated with the Greek system," Dean of Students Richard Ferraro.

Marrara was the coordinator of Greek life at the University of Georgia and also at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and Virginia State University.

Marrara attended East Stroudsburg University for his undergraduate education where he was a member of Theta Chi. He is presently working on his dissertation of male survivors of sexual assault for his Ph.D at Virginia Tech University.

As the assistant dean of students for the Greek life on the campus, Marrara will help with community service programs and will work with the fraternities and sororities to focus on the core values on which the Greek system was established.

"We should be getting back to what fraternities and sororities were founded on: community service, leadership and responsibility," Marrara said.

Marrara hopes to achieve this goal with The Plan for Prominence in Fraternity and Sorority Affairs that was developed in the fall of 1999 by the Greek Life Strategic Planning Steering Committee. The plan intends to promote the intellectual, social and ethical development of the members of the Greek system. Through certain initiatives such as the minimum GPA requirement of a 2.25 to remain a member of a fraternity or sorority and expanding community service programs, the plan's goal is for the Greek system to provide leadership and contribute to the campus community.

"We want to have a popular and fun, but also responsible, Greek system. And we want to create a situation where Greek life could be taken to the highest level," Ferraro said.

Borough Council elects Beattie as new Councilman

By Rachel Laskow
Senior Editor

The Borough Council elected Steven Beattie as the new Ward III representative at its December meeting. Beattie ran unopposed for the seat, which was vacant after Mayor Judy Wagner took on her new position. Beattie will serve on Council until Dec. 31, 2003, and will then have the option of running in the May primary election for the two-year Ward III seat.

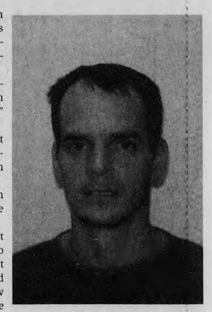
Beattie, a registered landscape architect and office manager for Light-Heigel's Lewisburg Area Office, moved to Lewisburg in 1998 and has been on the Borough's Planning Commission for three years. Beattie feels he has the experience that the Council needs.

Wagner is pleased to have Beattie on the Council.

"He will bring a whole new dimension to the Council," Wagner said.

As a Ward III representative, Beattie is representing many University students. Beattie favors students living off campus, but has some concerns as a Lewisburg resident.

According to Beattie, he always wanted to move to the Borough. He wanted to live in a place where he could walk downtown and his children would be able to play in Kidsburg. Beattie feels that his quality of life is affected by students moving in and out of downtown houses each year.



"It is hard to establish relationships with neighbors when they are moving every year," Beattie said.

Beattie is also concerned about the decreasing number of permanent residents in downtown Lewisburg.

"I want to do whatever I can to slow down the erosion," Beattie said.

Beattie does not believe that there is an all-knowing solution to the town-gown problems that affect the University and Lewisburg. He hopes that the new committee created to look at the idea of moving University students back on campus will offer some solutions.

Wagner also thinks that the new committee will give some insight and solutions.

"We are all trying to work together. I'm sure Steve will fit right in," Wagner said.

According to Beattie, the Planning Commission is currently looking at the zoning ordinance in the Borough. He hopes to provide a good dialogue between the Council and the Commission. Beattie also expects that the new committee will give advice to the Commission so that it knows what changes need to be made.

One idea Beattie has to alleviate the problem is to keep students in a more concentrated area of downtown. Beattie suggested keeping the students on the south side of Market Street and not letting them live past Seventh Street.

"Bucknell is beautiful and downtown is beautiful. Everything in between needs to be beautiful," Beattie said.

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"From Bucknell, we will then take our knowledge to the four corners of the globe, represented by the four vines reaching from the book to the earth. In the next four years we will continue to acquire knowledge and nurture our various passions and leave Bucknell all the more capable of leading our generation and generations to come," Messenger said.

The book was additionally chosen as the focal point of the crest due to its personal significance to the Class of '06. As Wolujewicz announced, the theme of this class is the literacy campaign.

"This means that our class should strive to disseminate any branch of literacy possible. We have done a number of things so far. For instance, early on in the first semester, members of our class painted 39 bookshelves that were then donated to local headstart and day care centers. Also, using our class budget, we purchased about 15 books from the Literacy Tree, which gives underprivileged children some books that unfortunately, they may not be able to get, otherwise," Wolujewicz said.

Future plans and upcoming events for the Class of '06 were also discussed.

Mumford notified the class about an upcoming Valentine's Dance to be held on Feb. 15. Part of the proceeds of the dance would be put towards voice-activated software for David Van Wagener, a first year student who was recently paralyzed during a skiing accident over break.

Buckman informed the freshman class that this year's fundraiser would be the sale of underwear: boxers and thongs. Then he endorsed the fundraiser, saying, "You can't go wrong with a Bucknell thong!"

As part of the evening's events, a representative from each hall brought up 2 pages filled with pictures and memories to go in a collective scrapbook for the class.

"In three years, when we graduate, we have something to look back on from our freshman year, and when we come back for our reunion, we have it" Mumford said.

As each representative brought up their pages, the rest of their hall was to cheer.

"We have an outgoing class. We wanted them to yell and we wanted it to be fun," Wolujewicz said.

After the choir, consisting of all freshmen involved in vocal groups across campus—Concert Chorale, Rooke Chapel Choir, Gospel Choir, Bison Chips, Two Past Midnight, and Silhouettes, sang "Dear Bucknell," students were given glow sticks and led down illuminated paths to President Roger's house to present him with the book.

Students then received free T-shirts, mugs, cookies and hot chocolate.

"It was an excellent turnout from this first-year class. They displayed class unity and Bucknell pride," Badal said.

"It went every bit as well as we hoped!" Wolujewicz said

News

World Briefs

Compiled by Elisabeth Salemme
Courtesy of MSNBC.COM

Smallpox vaccine shipped to states

WASHINGTON—While U.S. troops continued to deploy to the Mideast on Wednesday, the federal government began shipping smallpox vaccine to states in preparation for the mass inoculation of health care workers required to respond in the event of a bioterror attack. Despite widespread safety concerns, the Bush administration pushed ahead with its smallpox plan and said it was working to create a compensation fund that would aid people injured by the vaccine.

Malvo indicted in Va. slaying

FAIRFAX, Va—A criminal grand jury has indicted 17-year-old Lee Boyd Malvo on two counts of capital murder in last fall's sniper shootings, court records released Wednesday show. The indictment sets the stage for a death penalty trial.

Amtrak again faces financial crisis

WASHINGTON—Amtrak is facing another fiscal crisis that could lead to a systemwide shutdown in the spring if Congress fails to approve more money, the railroad's president said Wednesday.

Vitamin A raises risk of bone injuries

Taking vitamin A supplements can weaken the bones and increase the risk of fractures up to seven times, according to a large Swedish study.

Cartoonist Bill Mauldin dies at 81

NEWPORT BEACH, Calif.—Pulitzer Prize-winning cartoonist Bill Mauldin, who as a young Army rifleman during World War II gave newspaper readers back home a sardonic, foxhole-level view of the front with his drawings of weary, dogface GIs Willie and Joe, died Wednesday at 81.

R. Kelly arrested on child porn charges

Grammy-winning singer R. Kelly, already facing child pornography charges in Illinois, was arrested Wednesday in Florida on additional child pornography charges after investigators said they found photos of him having sex with a girl.

Four-winged dinosaur fossil found

Fossil hunters in China have discovered what may be one of the weirdest prehistoric species ever seen—a four-winged dinosaur that apparently glided from tree to tree.

Bush warns Iraqi military on attack

PARIS—After scolding European allies who may not support a war against Iraq, President Bush on Wednesday warned Iraqi military commanders not to unleash chemical or biological weapons on invading U.S. troops. Despite Bush's anger, France and Germany remained unwavering in their opposition to war, saying they were determined to find a peaceful solution to the crisis.

At least 25 killed in Mexican quake

COLIMA—Emergency crews dug into piles of collapsed cement and brick Wednesday to reach victims trapped by a powerful earthquake that killed at least 25 people, crumpling walls like paper, turning brick into powder and leaving steel reinforcement bars scattered like straws.

U.S. launching bioterror detectors

WASHINGTON—Environmental monitors scattered across the nation are being adapted to detect bioterrorism, the goal being to provide early detection if smallpox, anthrax or other deadly germs are released into the air. The system, being initiated Wednesday by the newly created Homeland Security Department, will retrofit many of the 3,000 existing air pollution monitoring stations with new filters to detect biological agents.

California sues grocers over mercury in fish

A lawsuit by California's attorney general over mercury in seafood has activists hoping that other states will also do more to warn consumers about the health risks of certain fish. California is suing five major grocery chains, demanding they warn customers that tuna, swordfish and shark often contain mercury in higher amounts than other fish.

Study: Marijuana leads to hard drugs

Teen-agers who smoked marijuana before turning 17 were more likely to use and abuse harder drugs and alcohol as young adults, a study of Australian twins released Tuesday said.

Rumsfeld apologizes about draftees

WASHINGTON—Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld apologized to veterans for remarks he made on the military draft that he said had been misconstrued by some as disparaging their service. Rumsfeld issued a written apology Tuesday evening just hours after three Democrats in Congress criticized his statement that draftees had added "no value, no advantage" to the U.S. military because they served for such short periods of time.

Leithner chosen as Financial Aid Director

By Chris Styers
Business and Politics Editor

At the conclusion of a selective, nationwide search, Andrea Leithner was chosen to assume the role of University director of financial aid.

As the Financial Aid Director, Leithner brings to this position a plethora of experience and a devotion to aiding students and their families in overcoming the obstacles and challenges of the financial aid process.

Leithner holds a bachelor of science degree in psychology from Vanderbilt University. Much of her life has been influenced by the college lifestyle, as her mother has been an administrator at Vanderbilt for many years. Her own college experiences and her years of exposure to the college scene helped her to discover her passion for the college environment.

Leithner said she felt more comfortable on a college campus than pursuing a career in private business. After working in the registrar's office at Vanderbilt, Leithner found her niche at the University of Oklahoma, where she became involved with financial aid. Before coming to the University, Leithner continued to develop her skill, serving in financial aid positions at Vanderbilt, Hamilton College and the University of Rochester.

"I like the contact with students and parents, and I enjoy being able to provide them with something as important as financial aid," Leithner said.

Leithner first became interested in the University position when she found it posted on the National Association of Financial Aid Administrators (NASFAA) Web site.

"I was attracted to Bucknell due to its excellent reputation, size and location," Leithner said.

When the position was posted, University President Steffen Rogers had a list of qualifications that would be most desirable in a candidate and would bring the most good to the University.

Rogers said the University desired someone who would make the process of financial aid "much more customer-friendly."

"The director would make the process more thoughtful, and would provide even more information to students and families than was requested," Rogers said. "Families need to feel Bucknell is doing everything possible to assist them in what is often a very complicated process."

Another qualification the candidate needed to possess was the ability to bring together the admissions and financial aid departments. Rogers said these two departments have been growing apart at institutions nationwide.

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> —***Andrea Leithner**, director of Financial Aid*

"Financial aid and admissions need to work more closely together," Rogers said. "It needs to be a seamless process for families."

When Leithner applied for the position, Rogers said she was "more than qualified."

Leithner's first experience with the University was not much unlike the experience of the applicants and their families that she would serve.

"I had a feeling I would come here as soon as I drove onto campus for my interview. Many freshmen have that feeling about a place during their college searches. . . . The feeling is one of comfort, fit and belonging, and I had it immediately," Leithner said.

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Leithner brings to the department and the University a number of goals and ideas that parallel the qualifications the University was searching for.

"I want to educate other offices as to what we do in financial aid, hopefully resolving some mystery and confusion that always seem to be prevalent about the field. Customer service is important to me, and even if it is already good, I feel that it can always be improved," Leithner said. "Money can be a difficult topic for families to discuss, and part of my job is to provide them with as much information as possible regarding aid so they can make informed decisions."

One of her immediate goals, and one she feels essential, is to be better acquainted with staff members and learn everything she can about the present workings of the financial aid office.

"Some things about financial aid are the same everywhere, but other issues can be exclusive to a particular school, so it pays to find out all I can," Leithner said.

In gathering this information and getting used to living in Lewisburg, Leithner said her exposure to the financial aid department and University community "has been wonderful—extremely warm and welcoming."

"The financial aid staff has been together for a long time and they brought me in just like I was an old friend. Financial aid people are of a different breed altogether, and I feel that I connected with the staff members from the very first meeting," Leithner said.

Many members of the campus community have gotten to know Leithner and understand the benefits her employment has already brought to the University.

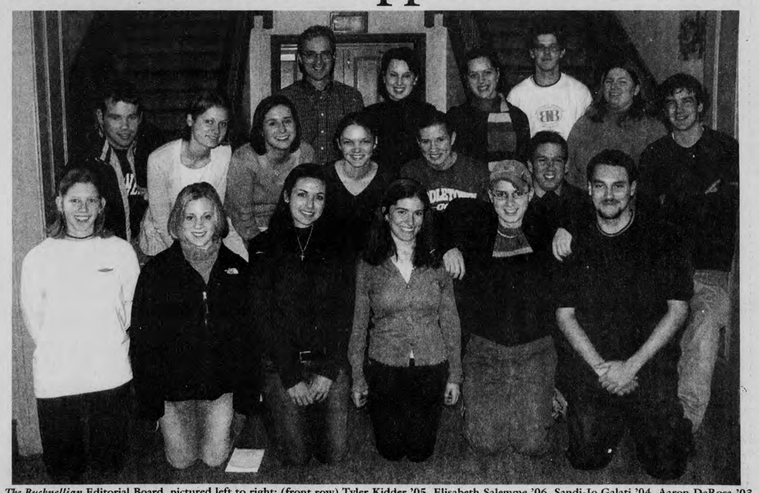
"The Office of Financial Aid staff members are very pleased with the selection of Andrea as the financial aid director. She brings with her a very solid and knowledgeable background in financial aid, and much needed experience in the enrollment management setting," Associate Director of Financial Aid Ray Randall said.

"We are glad to have her," said Rogers. "She has done a wonderful job and has already convinced us we made the right decision."

Leithner said she is excited to be a part of the campus community and able to pursue helping students and families in the financial aid process.

"Coming to a new place can be both challenging and a little scary, but less so if you know you have made the right decision. I know I have," Leithner said.

The Bucknellian appoints new staff



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By Jason Rubinstein
Editor-in-Chief

The Bucknellian has gotten off to a great start with the first issue of the new year. This first issue of volume 131 has seen many changes already, primarily in the large number of new editors.

There is a lot to look forward to this semester as *The Bucknellian* has set several New Year's resolutions for itself. *The Bucknellian* Online will be overhauling its website in the upcoming months to compete with other award-winning college newspaper website. Research is underway to increase overall quality of the newspaper, particularly in the color and black & white photographs, through purchases of new equipment and modifications to the production process. And work will be completed to bring a new set of newsstands to campus, to replace the old dingy ones which have been at the University longer than most tenured professors.

But most importantly *The Bucknellian* will continue to provide award-winning news coverage that applies to the entire campus community. Whether it's in-depth surveys or quick and fun polls, humorous columns or serious news reports, *The Bucknellian* strives to be a top college newspaper. This, of course, would be impossible without the countless hours of work provided by editors and managers of *The Bucknellian*.

Jason Rubinstein '04 takes the helm of *The Bucknellian* as Editor-in-Chief after Rachel Laskow '03 stepped down from her one-year term. Sandi-Jo Galati '04, formerly News Editor, has been promoted to Associate Editor Michelle Dombeck '05, formerly an editor for Arts & Entertainment, has also been promoted to Managing Editor of the paper.

We welcome several new editors to the staff: Elisabeth Salemme '06 (News), Melinda Kummer '05 and Leah Cunningham '06 (Arts & Entertainment), Chris Styers '05 (Business & Politics), Meghan Ball '06 (Features) and Michelle Martin '06 (feature layouts).

Also, *The Bucknellian* welcomes back Peter Hackeman '04 (Opinions) and Pat Evans '04 (Sports) after a one-semester sabbatical.

Veterans Alyson Walker '04 (Features), Tyler Kidder '05 and Eric Graham '05 (photography), Josh Fisher '04 (Opinions), Cecily Cairns '04 and Brent Butler '06 (Sports), Andrea Dill '03(copy chief) and Gretchen Schrock '03 (Business & Politics) will continue as editors of their respective sections.

Matthew Ellis '05 joins Salemme as News Editor after serving as Opinions Editor.

James Lee also continues his responsibility as Adviser to The Bucknellian.

The Bucknellian thanks Seniors Aaron Derosa, Jolene Hart, Kristi Johnston, Maureen Oscadal and Laskow for years of dedication, and looks forward to seeing some or all of them in the office as Senior Editors.

Directors of Marketing Joseph Giordano '05, Alexander Kanaris '05 and Kristin Stangl '05 work to promote the paper and increase readership, while Circulation Manager Brian Klotz '03 supervises subscriptions and distribution.

Advertising Managers Amy Peloquin '03 and Melina Glynn '03 bring in the ad revenue which supports *The Bucknellian*, and Steve Santulli '05 comes aboard as the new Business Manager, responsible for billing, payroll, and accounts.

News

Bucknell Community Mourns Losses

Richard Iskandar '03

By Rob Schmicker
Contributing Writer

Too often when we lose a loved one, we say that he or she will truly be missed because he or she was a great person. I can say for sure that this is true about Richard George Iskandar '03. I had known Richie since our first year when we both lived on Roberts 3 East. As all first year students experience, it took a while for us to get over the jitters that come along with moving away from home and those we love. At first, I just knew him as the kid who was building his own computer (now honestly, who does that?). Soon, though, it became evident that he was about so much more.

My hallmates and I soon found about his failing kidneys and the need for dialysis, to which a person's typical reaction should be pity and remorse. But Richie made it difficult for us to feel sorry for him; he had more life in him than any person I know. Conversations became livelier when he entered the room and he never had negative things to say about anyone. My roommate, Mike Fowler '02, and I always tried to get him riled up so that we could hear him utter a swear word, but to his death, one never came out of his mouth. As a senior, I remember one time when he was pretty upset at some people in his education class. He told us that he was going to give them a piece of his mind next time they did something stupid. I remember thinking, "what are you going to do Rich? Tell them that they are not a nice person?" That was the extent of his insult and contempt for others. He simply loved life and all of God's creatures too much.

As sophomores, we lived in Vedder Hall together and this was really the time that Mike, Rich and I became very close. Whenever we had a problem, we could talk to Richie and somehow he was able to put it in perspective because of his wonderful understanding of life. He was an amazing listener and friend.

Most importantly, Richie was a fighter. He was a fighter every day that I knew him, and he fought up until his death. Rich never accepted any help from Mike or me because he didn't want us to be bothered. We would tell him to call us if he needed help with anything or if he wasn't feeling well. A few days would go by without hearing from him, and we would then learn that he just got back from the hospital. So Richie wouldn't worry us, he wouldn't even tell us until he got back.

Rob Schmicker '02

Richard Iskandar '03(left) and Rob Schmicker '02 met during freshman year. Rob said he will always remember Richard's loving personality.

When we walked somewhere on campus and Rich was slacking behind, he would blame it on him being tired; that he had stayed up all night long. But we knew he was just not feeling well because of his kidney problems. He would never admit to it.

That instinct even carried over into his daily life. For those of you who know Rich, you know just exactly how loud he can be when he talks. As a sophomore, he would scream into the phone in Arabic while talking to his mother. We would tell him, "Geez Rich, lower your voice. You're going to piss off the football players next door." His response would be, "They know where I am if they want to start with me." I have heard that line so many times and to this day it makes me smile. After all, who was ever going to start with Richie? Not only was he too nice to start with, but he was so tiny that no one would do anything to him.

When I visited him in the hospital, I was pretty shaken up, but I knew that he would never stop fighting. Even though he was at peace with what would ultimately happen to him, there was no way he would go down without a fight. His passing has made me question my faith in God, but I know that Rich is going to a better place and that God has some greater plan for this amazing person. I feel cheated that I was unable to graduate with Rich last May. I feel even more cheated that I won't be able to see him graduate next January, and that I won't be able to bring my kids to see Dr. Rich when they are sick. But I feel that the entire world is being cheated by Rich's death. Every person that he has met or had some influence on is now a better person. In a world filled with sin, Rich was as pure of a human being as they come. I will miss him, but I know he will be looking down on me in the future. I can only hope to lead my life in a way that he can be proud of.

We miss you Rich. You are our friend for life and we love you. Until we meet again, may you rest in peace.

A memorial service will be held Sunday in Rooke Chapel at 2 p.m.

Danna Frangione

By Michelle Dombeck
Managing Editor

Associate Professor of Theatre and Dance Danna Frangione, passed away on Dec. 5. A memorial service was held in her honor last Saturday.

Over 200 people, including relatives, colleagues and students, attended the memorial service, "Remembrance and Celebration," on Saturday. During the service, the focus was on remembering the goodness and joy Frangione brought into people's lives.

Frangione's husband, Bob, spoke during the service and shared many anecdotes about their life together. Frangione was normally a very shy person, he said, but on stage, she was anything but shy. Dance brought out the best in her, and she wanted to bring out the best in dance.

"She had the desire to celebrate in dance the best in man," said Star Herrmann, mother of Ryen Herrmann '02, a University dance student.

In the service, Star Herrmann also said how Frangione met her death with a certain sense of humor. Upon seeing a picture of the cancerous tumor that was growing in her abdomen, Frangione told Ryen Herrmann that it looked oddly like a turkey.

Frangione's youngest son, Nick, choreographed a dance to be performed in his mother's honor. This dance, "Our Lives Together," was set to Hootie and the Blowfish's "Time." Stephanie Yezek '03 and Vanessa Hull '04 performed it in the service.

"The main thing I remember about Danna Frangione, aside from her little sayings, like 'Not so much' and 'piddle,' was her always saying 'I hope you all have found some degree of love in your lives.' Loss is such a difficult thing, but it truly puts things in perspective," Yezek said. "And as I danced for Danna on Saturday, I felt she gave me that gift; she gave all of us there the most wonderful gift of love."

Frangione's colleagues also felt that she had a tremendous impact on their lives.

"Danna was the most loving and caring person I knew. We worked together, danced together and choreographed together for eight years," Associate Professor of Theater Er-Dong Hu said. "She was my colleague and my friend. The extent of her impact on my life is immeasurable, and if not for her influence, i would not be who I am today."

In addition to Frangione's wonderful personality, she also was a talented dancer and choreographer. Hired as the Univeristy's first director of dance, she shaped the program.

"In her 14 years as director of the dance program, Danna facilitated the renovation of Tustin Gym into a magnificent dance studio … designed and guided the successful implementation of a dance minor degree (which soundly balances theory and practice), served as the artistic director of 26 Bucknell Dance Company concerts and introduced the studio concert and choreographer's showcase as new dance venues," said Bob Gainer, associate professor of dance.

Frangione also added to the University's curriculum.

"Danna even made time to develop and contribute two new stimulating courses to Bucknell's Common Learning Agenda: a foundation seminar entitled 'The Artist's Guide to the Body,' and a capstone seminar celebrating one of her passions, 'World Fusion Dance,' " Gainer said.

University President Steffen Rogers thought of Frangione as a person who knew about the beauty in life.

"Danna was a very special faculty member completely dedicated to her students and her profession," Rogers said. "In my limited encounters with her, she saw the world as a place to dance. Wouldn't it be a wonder to see the world in that light?"

Lee Cromwell '05, a student of Frangione's, also feels that Frangione was dedicated to and passionate about her work.

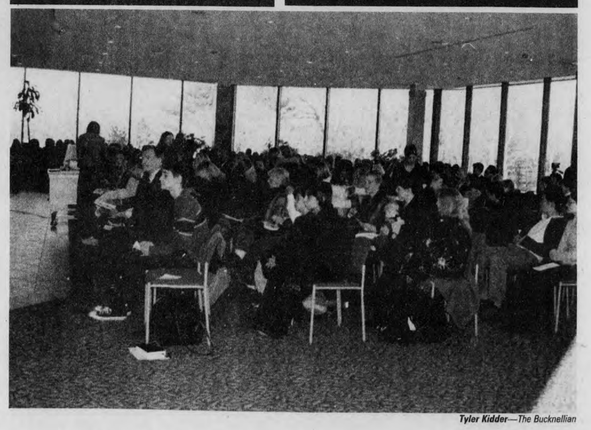
"She had very powerful feelings about dance, which her students picked up. I think Bucknell will have a difficult, if not impossible challenge, in finding someone with as much passion and vitality as she had," Cromwell said. "She put every piece of herself into dance and I think that that is a very special gift she which she leaves this to University."

Prior to joining the University in 1987, Frangione taught at the University of Georgia, the University of Mississippi and South Dakota State University. Several of her colleagues from Georgia attended the memorial service.

"Danna was a poet," said Peggy Thrasher Law, whom Frangione taught while at the University of Georgia. "Her language was movement."

Even though Frangione is no longer creating poetry, her work and influence will live on. Draheim, who once worked in the Department of Theater and Dance as the lighting and technical director, e-mailed Frangione just one day before she died.Gainer shared his words at the service.

"The dance is over, but the movement will never be forgotten," Draheim wrote.



Tyler Kidder—*The Bucknellian*

Students Vanessa Hull '04 and Stephanie Yezek '04 perform at the Memorial Service for Danna Frangione. (top left) President and Athena Rogers attended the services for Frangione (top right) along with faculty and students (above).

John Wilkins '80

By Jennifer Jenchura
Senior Writer

John Wilkins '80, employed at the University for the past eight years as a Systems Integrator for Information Services and Resources (ISR), passed away on Jan. 13 after a 14-year battle with cancer. During his Bucknell tenure, Wilkins' talents as a cryptography expert, security professional, programmer and UNIX system administrator were significant assets both to ISR and to his colleagues.

"Wilkins has a long history at Bucknell, both as a student and as a member of the staff. In his work life, John spent a great deal of his time working on large systems that work behind the scenes in ISR. Our use of the dial-in modems, e-mail, listserv lists, Web services and Banner all depended on John's careful attention. He was also one of our primary security experts," Associate Vice President for Information Services and Resources and Wilkins' ISR colleague Gene Spencer said.

Although Wilkins was unable to come to the office during much of his last year, he continued to do productive work from home.

"His unique and exceptional combination of personality, technical skills, creative intellect and interests was something that I'll always remember fondly and most likely will be a standard against which I'll unintentionally compare all other of my close colleagues in the future" ISR Systems Integrator Chris Weber said. "Our brainstorming sessions and technical discussions, non-work-related conversations, projects we shared, the constant bloom of humor in the office, and our easy relationship combined into something that, frankly, was my primary source of job satisfaction during John's term of employment here."

For the nine years prior to his returning to Bucknell as an employee, Wilkins was an advisory engineer to IBM's Cryptography Center of Competence in Manassas, VA. While there, he was named as an inventor in 18 patents in the areas of data security, multimedia copy protection and network analysis. Wilkins was also the founder and owner of Petra Security Architects, a consulting firm for computer and network security and a founder and co-owner of WellChildForms, Inc., an Internet company providing customized well-child forms to pediatricians and family physicians.

"[Even more important than his work life], John was a member of our family. He cared deeply about his colleagues and earned our deepest respect in return. He was an amazing man, and we will miss him terribly, although we are delighted that his struggle with cancer has finally ended," Spencer said.

An amateur radio operator for over a decade, Wilkins enjoyed running, biking, hiking and cross-country skiing while he was able. Wilkins was an active member of the Mifflinburg Christian and Missionary Alliance Church.

"John was an active participant in Bucknell's Christian community and he and his family often opened their home to many students from that community. I've heard many stories of groups of students meeting at their house to share a meal, share fellowship and escape the campus for just a little bit," Spencer said.

According to friends, Wilkins was always willing to share his considerable knowledge, ideas, and well-considered opinions with anyone who might ask.

"Those who knew John will remember him for his uncommon and quiet courage, great faith, capable intellect and welcome wit," Weber said.

News

Million Penny Project declared a success

Greek organizations and student body donate over $10,000 to the United Way

By Jeff Day
Staff Writer

A million smiles, a million individuals, a million pennies; whatever the item, acquiring a million of it is certainly no easy task. This year, the University actively participated in the Million Penny Project, in which the contributions would be donated to the 2002 Union County United Way campaign.

The Million Penny Project, under the leadership of Janet Serafin '04 and Evan Gropper '04, was designed to challenge each Greek organization to raise $500 which would total a million pennies, or $10,000.

"I am proud to say that the project was very successful this year. Everyone worked well together, which made the project a success," Serafin said.

> *"We raised the desired amount of $10,000 and got a lot of people involved and aware that Greeks are doing something positive and making a difference-*
> *—Evan Gropper '04*

The University's Greek organizations and student body combined to donate $11,213 to the United Way campaign. Among the student groups that helped to support the campaign included the men's basketball team, women's softball team, women's crew team, freshman, sophomore, junior and senior classes, the third floor Larison Cottage hall group and the McDonnell fourth floor NW hall group.

"I see a bright future for society when college students, the leaders of tomorrow, engage so energetically in philanthropic ventures," Charles Root, President of the Union County United Way said.

In accordance with the United Way's theme "Neighbors Helping Neighbors," the University was able to unify in a desire to achieve a common goal that would simply benefit others in the community. In fact, it is estimated that over 60 percent of the student body participated in the events.

Besides the financial goals, the project also wanted to show the community and other skeptics that the Greek organizations are more than simply party houses.

"We raised the desired amount of $10,000 and got a lot of people involved and aware that Greeks are doing something positive and making a difference," Gropper said.

Kari Conrad, associate dean of students and director of campus activities and programs, coordinated the student participation in this year's campaign. She said that everyone did a fantastic job in contributing to the project's goals, and helped to establish a record year for student contributions.

According toConrad, Gropper, Serafin and herself will to present a check for $11,213 to the United Way at the home basketball game today.

"It is very important to make such a presentation because they [Greeks and student organizations] worked so hard for this event, and it would be great to give them the recognition they deserve," Conrad said.

According to Gropper, each year, a different charity is chosen to be the recipient of the funds contributed by the school. This year, the Union County United Way was chosen for two reasons. First, the leaders of the project wanted to see the money stay in the local community this year. Secondly, in working with the administration in the University-wide United Way Campaign, Greek relationships with the administration were bound to improve.

In the end, the campaign's success is due to the leadership of Gropper, Serafin and Conrad, along with the hard work and contributions by Greek and student body organizations.

"I would want to encourage people to be more active and work with ACE and the CAP center," Gropper said.

Kidnappers return Bucky the Bison

Stuffed bison returned home to Admissions seven months after his disappearance

By Meghan Fox
Staff Writer

A small stuffed bison purchased in the University's Bookstore attracted national publicity when he traveled across the United States and ventured as far east as Europe and Africa.

"Bucky the Bison," as the stuffed animal is affectionately called, was purchased a few years ago by the Admissions Department as a morale booster and an unofficial mascot.

Lois Purcell, assistant to the dean of students, explained that Bucky's function was to circulate throughout the offices as a reward for jobs well done. But since his adoption by the Admissions Department, Bucky has disappeared three times.

In January 1999, Bucky mysteriously vanished from Purcell's desk. A ransom note followed.

"He had been kidnapped," Purcell said. "The note asked for a few dozen cookies."

A plate full of cookies was left in the lobby overnight, and in the morning, Bucky found his way back to his home in Admissions.

Pam Glass, admissions services coordinator, wanted to protect Bucky from future kidnappings. A locked closet door could not keep Bucky from leaving the University.

Bucky's second disappearance was self-motivated.

"He was in search of love," Purcell said.

This time, Bucky returned to campus on Valentine's Day with his new-found sweetheart, Becky, a smaller stuffed bison.

Somehow this journey did not fulfill his desire for traveling. In March 2002, Bucky left the security of campus to discover the world.

Over the next couple of months, Bucky would travel across the country, visit his friends at the Kentucky Derby and go sight-seeing in Washington D.C. Bucky would venture as far as the Carribbean, France and Kenya.

But for each location he visited, Bucky would send Purcell a postcard or letter, signed and personalized by his hoof print, and an occasional e-mail from BuckytheBison@hotmail.com. Each postcard was written in different handwriting, and each contained a different postmarking address.

On Nov. 8, the Friday before Homecoming, Purcell received a phone call from the switchboard informing her that she had a package waiting. To her delight, the package was Bucky, now clad in hiking boots and a straw hat, and holding a sign that read "Bucknell Admissions or Bust!"

Bucky's travels claimed the interest of reporters throughout the nation, who published Bucky's account in their newspapers.

To this day, the original kidnapper has yet to be identified.

"Everyone's a suspect. I'm sure it was someone in the office," Purcell said.

However, Purcell admitted that the whole ordeal was enjoyable for everyone, adding some excitement to the typical workday.

"I think probably he'll hang around for a while until something dramatic occurs," Purcell said.

Eric Graham—*The Bucknellian*

Bucky the Bison returned to the Admissions office after disappearing and traveling around the world for seven months.

BSG ELECTIONS

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ening of the committees and updating the Web site were discussed.

According to Pusty, the Web site will be updated weekly.

"It was nice to see fresh faces at the meeting," Britz said. "It looks like we're going to have a very optimistic, organized planning board. They all seem very enthusiastic and I am looking forward to working with them."

There are seven BSG committees that meet weekly.

"We are trying to make representation better on campus," said Britz. "People don't know what we do, but we are constantly trying to improve student life."

Pusty said a primary goal is to develop a better relationship with the student body.

"I am completely open to any suggestions that students have because that is how we are going to improve things. I have mandatory weekly office hours where anyone is able to come and speak to me about any concerns that they might have," Pusty said.

Timer agreed that stronger representation and a better relationship with the students needs to be established.

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> *—Jennifer Pusty '05*

"Without a doubt I would like to develop a better relationship with the student body. I would like students to know more about what BSG does and how we can serve them. I think reaching out with the letter to leaders on campus will be one step in the direction of developing that relationship. In my position of student body president, I think the word 'student' is the most important part because without them, who am I working for?" Timer said .

"The more visible on campus BSG is, the more students BSG will be able to engage. The more students BSG engages, the more ideas BSG will hear on students' issues. The more ideas BSG hears, the better BSG's collective decisions will be. And that is what it is all about: BSG, making good decisions for Bucknell Students," Phillips said.

Eric Graham—*The Bucknellian*

Students showed their school spirit by dressing in school colors orange and blue for the opening an dedication of the Sojka Pavilion.

SOJKA

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to scholars and one of our finest teachers," Rogers said.

Hardt spoke of Sojka as the ideal for University athletes, mentioning Sojka's athletic talent, as well as his encouragement of student athletes.

"As many of you know Professor Sojka was a Hall of Fame scholar-athlete in his days at Coe College and he maintains his well-deserved reputation as a fiery competitor. Dr. Sojka has long been an advocate and enthusiastic supporter of Bucknell's scholar-athlete model, and in many ways his own achievements epitomize this lofty ideal, so it is only appropriate that this marvelous new facility be named in honor of this extraordinary man," Hardt said.

Sojka served as University president for 11 years. In 1995, he returned to teaching as a full-time member of the faculty. He is the University's NCAA faculty athletics representative and had been a member of the NCAA President's Council.

The Sojka Pavilion will replace Davis Gym as venue for both the men's and women's varsity basketball teams. Davis Gym was home to basketball for 64 years. Some of its features are the clear vantage points from the seating and "walk-down" access to seats. Retractable seats also provide more floor room for a practice space large enough for three basketball courts.

Rusnak '86 sentenced for trading scheme

Courtesy of Reuters

University alum John Rusnak '86 was sentenced for a trading scandal in which he lost $691.2 million at Allfirst Financial Inc. Rusnak faces a jail term of seven and a half years in a federal prison.

By Rachel Laskow
Senior Editor

John Rusnak '86, a former trader at Baltimore's Allfirst Financial Inc., was sentenced last Friday to seven-and-a-half years in prison for devising a currency-trading scheme that brought down Allfirst Financial Inc. According to *The Baltimore Sun*, he was responsible for $691.3 million in losses.

Rusnak, 38, will remain on probation for five years after he is released from prison and will have to pay $1,000 a month during those five years. He will also have to make the $691.3 million in restitution. According to the Associated Press, prosecutors said the amount Rusnak pays back depends on how much income he earns after he is released.

Rusnak faced a maximum sentence of 30 years in prison and a $1 million fine on the banking charge.

"Obviously, this is an exceptional case," U.S. District Court Judge William N. Nickerson said to *The Baltimore Sun*.

During the hearings, Rusnak accepted full responsibility for his actions and apologized.

According to *The Baltimore Sun*, Karen Weiss, an Allfirst senior vice president in healthcare banking, opposed the sentence during the hearing.

"This is a personal issue for a lot of us. I don't think [the sentence] is sufficient. I'm glad he's going to pay the price, but the price isn't high enough," Weiss said to The Sun after the hearing.

Rusnak must report to prison by Feb. 18. According to The Baltimore Sun, Rusnak's attorney David B. Irwin recommended that he be sent to federal prison in Fort Dix, N.J.

Rusnak majored in economics at the University and made the Dean's List twice. After graduating from the University, Rusnak worked at First Fidelity Bank in Philadelphia and in 1989 he worked for the foreign exchange division at Chemical Bank in New York. In 1993, Rusnak became a currency trader at the First National Bank, now known as Allfirst.

SURGALA

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operating budget deficits is very serious and must be addressed, the University's balance sheet and net asset position continue to be strong. Unfortunately, our position was stronger prior to the poor performance in the stock market the past few years, but the University's financial underpinnings are still very solid," Surgala said

The University is experiencing some budgetary issues but they are "mostly the result of less spendable endowment income and higher operating expenses. The revenue shortfall is due to the decline in the value of the endowment and the higher operating costs are principally due to the operating and maintenance costs of new buildings," Surgala said

Asked whether the University may have been too ambitious in pursuing physical plant expansion in a tough environment, Surgala said, "My sense is no one approved expenditures for facilities with the knowledge that it was not a financially sound path to travel. I think that when decisions were made it was with the best intentions to pay for the construction and to address the operating and maintenance costs through continued growth in endowment related income. However, intentions do not pay the bills."

University President Steffen Rogers agrees that the University's building boom and market downturn may have set the University back in the near term.

"We did lots [of construction] in a short amount of time and it did not take much of the market's downturn to take its toll." Rodgers added that "we were going through a time several years ago when we could afford lots of things and went ahead to build many of the new buildings on campus."

However, as Surgala points out, the University maintains "wonderful facilities and services in which we all take pride. Our challenge is to responsibly reduce expenditures yet limit the negative affect those actions might have on the quality of maintenance and service."

Rogers is confident that Surgala will do a great job in helping the University.

"We were fortunate to have someone with his level of expertise in the area [who could come in and help us this fast]," said Rogers. "This is a great opportunity for the University to step back and reexamine everything it is doing."

He also added that the new Recreation and Athletics Center will be a positive addition to the University physical plant. It is a great recruiting tool for strong student athletes and all students will use it heavily. Rogers does acknowledge that near-term it is an expensive building.

"It reminds me of when you get your first mortgage on a house. At first, you think 'how am I going to pay for this?' After a while, it will all work out and you don't have to think about it any more."

The University is currently conducting a nationwide search for a full-time vice president for finance and administration. Robert Kallin, Vice President for Development and University Relations, is heading the search committee and, for the first time, the University is looking both at higher education candidates and private sector candidates. This would mark a change in the University's tendency to hire higher education candidates. The search will last as long as necessary to yield a hire.

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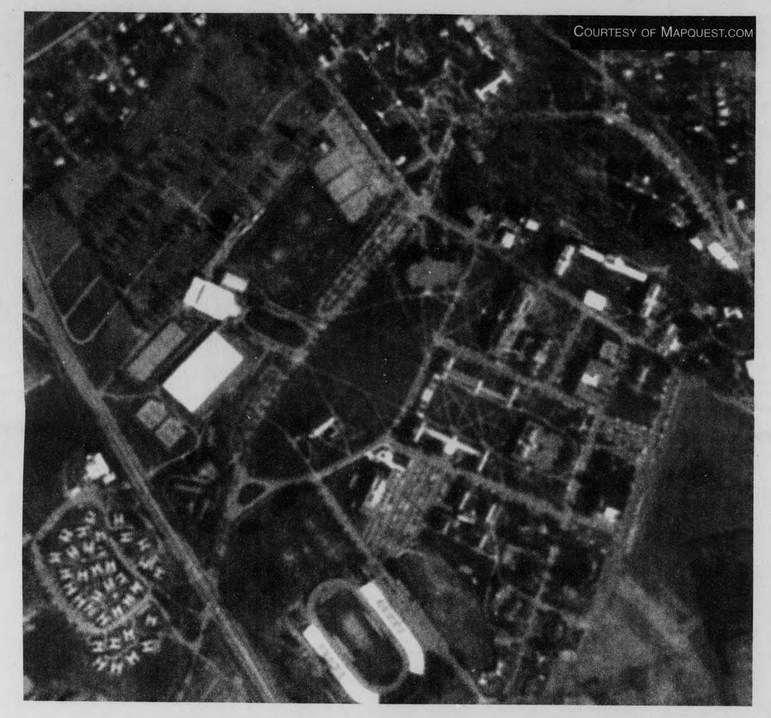

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Jan. 24 FRI

Film: "The Bicycle Thief"
Vaughan Lit. Auditorium
8 & 4 p.m.

Susquehanna Valley Mall Shuttle
Downhill LC
6 p.m.

"I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change"
Weis Center
8 p.m.

Magic Movie Marathon
"Hocus Pocus," "Practical Magic"
Bison
9 p.m.

Psychic Fair
LC Mall
9 p.m.

Pub Night
Uptown
9:30 p.m.

Late Night Music Series:
Jennifer Marks
7th Street Café
11 p.m.

Jan. 25 SAT

Ski Trip: Montage Mountain
8 a.m.

Wal-Mart Shuttle
Downhill LC
3 & 6 p.m.

Susquehanna Valley Mall Shuttle
Downhill LC
3 & 6 p.m.

Catholic Mass
Rooke Chapel
5:30 p.m.

Film: "What Women Want"
Gallery Theatre
8 p.m.

The Bellfield Singers
Weis Music Building Recital Hall
8 p.m.

"Musicals of the '60s and '70s"
LC Forum
8 p.m.

Illusionist: Mike Super
Bison
9 p.m.

Musical Group: A Simple Plan
Uptown
9:30 p.m.

Film: "Signs"
Vaughan Lit. Auditorium
10:30 p.m.

Jan 26 SUN

Quaker Services
Vaughan Lit. 103, 104
9:30 a.m.
Willard Smith Library (Vaughan Lit.)
10:30 a.m.

Interdenominational Worship Services
(Speaker: Becca Lawson '95)
Rooke Chapel
11 a.m.

Catholic Mass
Vaughan Lit. Auditorium
11:30 a.m.
Rooke Chapel
4 p.m.

Richard Iskandar Memorial Service
Rooke Chapel
2 p.m.

Lecture: Eleanor Heartney
Gallery Theatre
4 p.m.

Super Bowl
6 p.m.

Poetry Reading: Sean Thomas Dougherty
Bucknell Hall Auditorium
8 p.m.

Catholic Mass
Larison Dining Hall
10 p.m.

Jan. 27 MON

Qigong Class
Vedder Lounge
Noon

Internships 101
CDC
3:00 p.m.

Zen Meditation
Rooke Meditation Chapel
4 p.m.

Auditions

"The Good Woman of Setzuan"

Sunday, Jan. 26
Vaughan Lit. Auditorium
and
Monday Jan. 27
Coleman 150

Singing: 6 p.m.

Acting: 7 p.m.

Jan. 28 TUE

Effective Résumés and Cover Letters
LC 217
Noon

Interviewing Skills - LC Forum
5 p.m.

Molly Monahan - Secret Sisters
Vaughan Lit. Auditorium
6 p.m.

Lecture: Pit Pinegar
Weis Music Building Recital Hall
8 p.m.

BRIDGE 101
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CDC
Noon

Jan. 29 WED

Qigong Class
LC 213
8 a.m.

Internships 101
CDC
Noon

Hunt Hall Open House
Hunt Living Room
2-5 p.m.

Colloquium: Jewish Music
The Klezmer Band
Bucknell Hall
7:30 p.m.

Film: "XXX"
LC Forum
10:30 p.m.

Jan. 30 THU

Film: "Ankur"
Coleman 151
4 & 7 p.m.

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LC 213
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Agnes Denes
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Projects for Public Spaces
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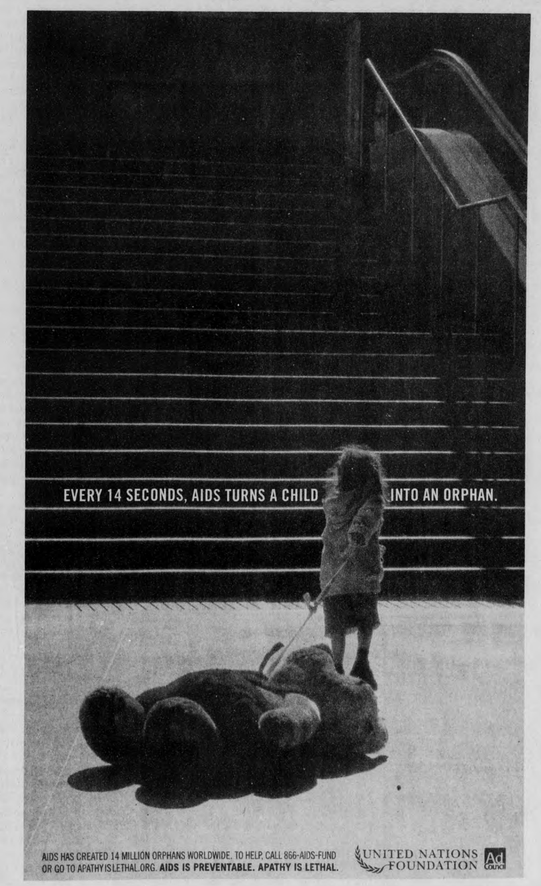
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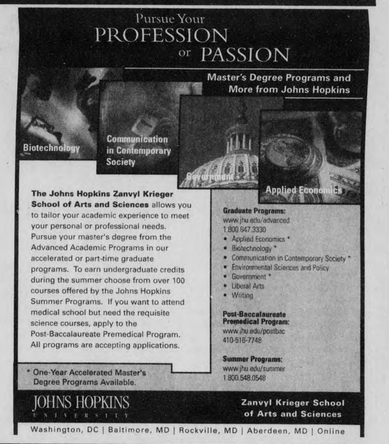
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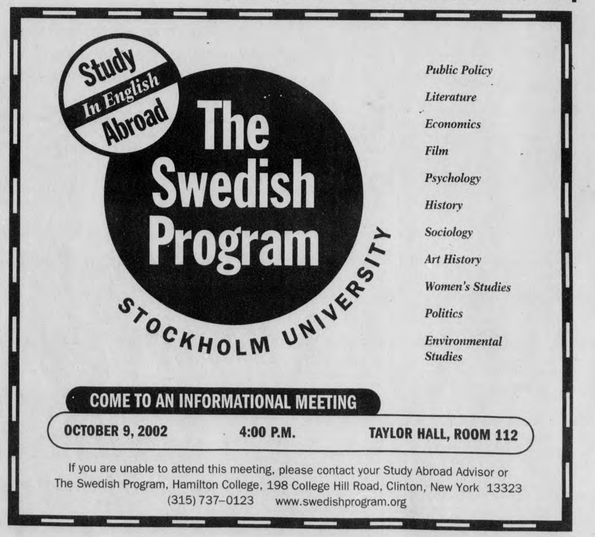

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THE Bucknellian EDITORIAL

Students strengthen University family

Over the past few months, the student body has suffered several tragedies that have tested its strength as a community. Dealing with the death of Richard Iskandar '03 and the shock of learning that David Van Wagener '06 was paralyzed from a skiing accident, a hobby shared by many students, University students have emerged stronger and have further demonstrated the existence of the Bucknell family.

If the student body was anything less than a family, its members would not have turned to those around them for comforting embraces during the Sept. 11 "Remembrance, Reflection, Renewal" commemoration ceremony. Even when not overwhelmed by strife, the University comes together. Sojka Pavilion opened to a full house in support of student-athletes, a beloved professor and a highly-anticipated building that has been the blood, sweat and tears of the University for the last two years, just as the student body has come together in indestructible support of its peers.

When Iskandar's kidney condition took a dramatic turn for the worse early in December, the Middle Eastern Student Association and Fellowship of Christian Athletes organized students to accompany Iskandar's family by his bedside throughout his stay at the hospital. Students rallied around Iskandar and credited their strength to a faith devoid of religious denominations, political ideals or race, relying on one another to help cope with the anguish of losing a fellow student and friend.

This Sunday, students will have the opportunity to formally say goodbye to Iskandar at a memorial service in Rooke Chapel at 2 p.m., but his impact on students will live on in the Class of 2003. According to Dean of Students Richard Ferraro, Iskandar will still graduate with his class in May.

After learning that Van Wagener was hospitalized from a debilitating skiing accident over winter break, the Class of 2006, led by its Bucknell Student Government representatives, immediately began a project to extend the spirit of its class and the University to Von Wagener by sending cards and University memorabilia to decorate his hospital room. The class also signed a banner at its First Night celebration last Tuesday to send to Von Wagener, and a dance has been scheduled in which all proceeds will be donated to facilitate Von Wagener's return.

The efforts of the Class of 2006 are a credit to its ability to so quickly forge close friendships and acclimate itself to the University. After attending the University for only one semester, Van Wagener is in the thoughts of the family that is very anxious to welcome him home.

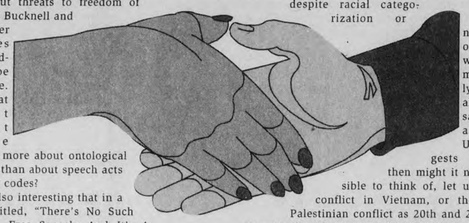
The Bucknellian Editorial Board expresses its condolences to the friends and family of Iskandar and is hopeful for Van Wagener's expedient recovery.

Letters *to the editor*

Solidarity resolves speech conflict

To the Editor:

The ongoing discussions in *The Bucknellian* and elsewhere about freedom of speech, the perceived threat of university speech codes, etc. have prompted me to make these brief comments. Although perhaps coincidental, it is interesting to me that the particular incidents which have generated so much concern about threats to freedom of speech at Bucknell and at other campuses have tended to be about race. To what extent might these issues be more about ontological freedoms than about speech acts or speech codes?



It is also interesting that in a work entitled, "There's No Such Thing As Free Speech: And It's A Good Thing, Too (OUP)," author Stanley Fish convincingly demonstrates that threats to freedom of speech, and breaches of this constitutionally guaranteed freedom have always been dealt with on the merit of each case. In other words, he concludes that the notion that a putative threat to freedom anywhere is a threat to freedom everywhere is patently false. Indeed, he argues persuasively that speech (as an intelligible act) and its freedoms (as socially sanctioned speech acts) can only exist against restrictions and limitations.

Although perhaps coincidental, it is interesting to me that the particular incidents which have generated so much concern about threats to freedom of speech at Bucknell and at other campuses have tended to be about race.

I don't want to do a grave injustice to Fish's careful analysis by indulging in a vulgar synopsis of his argument in this brief commentary. However, what I want to ask (rhetorically) against the background of Fish's position that a perceived threat to freedom of speech in a particular context is not automatically a threat to the concept of freedom of speech, is: "What are the socio-political and ideological ramifications of sanctioning a white person's perceived right to wear "blackface" in public, or his perceived right to say, 'What's up my Negro!' to a black person?"

Finally (apropos of comments attributed to the recent David Horowitz lecture, as reported in *The Bucknellian*), if we suspend disbelief for a moment and imagine that we are all fundamentally the same despite racial categorization or national origin—if we imagine momentarily that we all want the same thing, as Black Uhuru suggests in song, then might it not be possible to think of, let us say, the conflict in Vietnam, or the ongoing Palestinian conflict as 20th and 21st century anti-colonial struggles, in addition to being conflicts about communism and terrorism? Has the movement of the centuries so fundamentally changed us as beings in society that what groups of people wanted and achieved in the 18th and 19th centuries remains inconceivable now as the desire of other groups in the 20th and 21st centuries?

It seems to me that these issues are part of a historical undercurrent that is much too complex and dangerous to be meaningfully examined and explained by simplistic binarist appeals to freedom versus unfreedom, liberal versus conservative, citizen versus terrorist, good versus evil. Such vulgar hermeneutics makes good television and newsprint, but it produces more conflict than it resolves. Thus, with Black Uhuru I sing, "Solidarity."

Sincerely,
Glyne Griffith,
Associate Professor of English

Defenders of free speech

To the Editor:

Bucknellian columnist Aaron Hanlon and a number of the other Conservatives Club (BUCC) propagandists consistently do "liberals" a disservice: in the context of free speech and the regulation of such speech, it is both unfair and inaccurate to paint liberals as ardent supporters of speech codes and conservatives as the ironwilled defenders of this right. As someone who falls within this evidently monolithic and majority group of leftists, believe me, these intimations constitute a gross misstatement in light of the increasingly conservative politics in the United States. I have grown accustomed to hearing the liberals, especially in my conservative Virginia town, skewered as supporters of the ACLU, enemies of God in the classrooms and supporters of flag burning.

If the BUCC and "The Counterweight" wish to paint themselves as defenders of free speech, I cannot fault them. I do, however, hope that they prove to be more than fairweather friends.

An open-minded assessment reveals this to be a case of the pot calling the kettle black. I, along with many others, fear the horrifying speech-limiting and privacy ignoring actions of Attorney General John Ashcroft and others of this ilk. This man is the poster boy for the curtailing of civil liberties; this man is distinctly not a liberal. With respect to his actions, the lessons of 1984 ring all too clearly in my ears.

If the BUCC and "The Counterweight" wish to paint themselves as defenders of free speech, I cannot fault them. I do, however, hope that they prove to be more than fairweather friends. Having successfully milked national coverage to their cause, I would be heartened to see that America's newest free-speech advocates stay the course that we, the defenders of the ACLU and other such organizations, have been paving for decades. But, for the sake of accuracy and responsible journalism, recognize that this speech-limiting streak runs through both liberal and conservative ideologies.

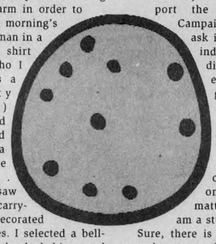
Sincerely,
Denis Kennedy '05

It's the little things

To the Editor:

At around 10pm on Monday night during finals, I was sprawled out on a couch on Lower Level 2 of the Bertrand, elbow deep in Comparative Politics studying, with a sign next to me that said "Please wake me up if I'm asleep". I have to admit, my motivation was fading fast.

While I contemplated chewing off my right arm in order to avoid the next morning's final, a gentleman in a button down shirt and a tie (who I recognized as a University employee) approached me. "Would you like a cookie?" He asked. Astonished, I saw that he was carrying a tray of decorated holiday cookies. I selected a bell-shaped one, thanked him, and watched as he continued to the next student within sight.



Earlier that day, I awoke to find that the custodian for the first floor of Vedder, Betty, had left a holiday card for the hall, and a small gift for each of us. After a semester of filling the hall with glitter, puffy paint, overflowing garbage cans, and general mess, I'm not sure what we've done to deserve a gift.

I guess that's my point. Maybe we don't deserve these gifts. At the very least, we tend to forget about them sometimes. It's a little too easy to get caught up in the petty disputes on campus and overlook the little things.

In order to get these gifts, no one asked if I am a conservative or a liberal. They didn't ask if I support the Living Wage Campaign. They didn't ask if I am greek or independent. They didn't ask for my ethnic background or my family's income. They didn't ask my how I feel about diversity on campus. The only thing that mattered is that I am a student.

Sure, there is a lot of debate around campus about some very serious issues. Don't get me wrong; I'm not saying that cookies in the library can solve all of our problems. It's just possible that sometimes we have to look past our differences and appreciate the little things.

Sincerely,
Janet Serafin '04

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Opinions

Michigan admissions misses diversity

By Michael Boland
Senior Writer

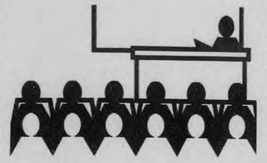
The 14th Amendment guarantees that "No state shall ... deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws." On its face, this language seems impossible to reconcile with a state-sponsored system of racial preferences, no matter the context and no matter the beneficiary.

But courts have ruled that like the First and Second Amendments, the 14th Amendment is not absolute. They have permitted the government to consider race under certain circumstances, but have stipulated that such usage will be subject to "strict scrutiny" by the courts.

In order to survive strict scrutiny, the government must show two things: that it considers race in pursuit of some "compelling" government objective, and that its usage is "narrowly tailored" toward achieving that objective. Very few government interests have been judged "compelling"; this privileged status has been reserved for things like maintaining national security, or correcting the vestiges of racial discrimination.

In defending its use of racial preferences in admissions, the University of Michigan argues that it has discovered a new "compelling" interest, the need for "diversity" in the classroom. As most people know, the Supreme Court will rule on the Michigan case this spring. And it will strike the program down.

The fatal flaw in Michigan's program is that it does nothing to ensure any sort of meaningful diversity. Perhaps there is something to be said for having various perspectives in a classroom, but affirmative action in the form of racial preferences does nothing to guarantee a variety of "perspectives." As practiced at Michigan and most universities, it enhances applicants' chances for admission based on the color of their skin without considering whether that applicant in fact brings something to the classroom that enriches the discussion.



A brief filed by the Center for Equal Opportunity argues, "Greater diversity might lead to exposure to people with different ideas or backgrounds, but it is very dubious to use race as a proxy for anticipating individuals' thoughts and experiences."

There are few ideas or experiences that only members of a particular racial group can have, and fewer still that all members of that group will share. In sum, racial diversity cannot be equated with actual viewpoint diversity."

Justice O'Connor got it right in Metro Broadcasting v. FCC: "Social scientists may debate how peoples' thoughts and behavior reflect their background, but the Constitution provides that the government may not allocate benefits and burdens among individuals based on the assumption that race or ethnicity determines how they act or think."

To argue that "all blacks are X, or that all Hispanics are Y, and we need a certain measure of X and Y in each classroom to improve everyone's education," fails to account for the wide range of experiences and viewpoints within each of these communities. If all blacks are X, then just what is X? Likewise, can you think of a word or quality that describes every Hispanic? There isn't one.

If the state had a compelling interest in maintaining the "right" melanin count in its classrooms, then racial preferences would be just the ticket. But it doesn't, since (hopefully) the University of Michigan values a student for what's on the inside, not the outside. The narrow, legalistic question of whether diversity is a "compelling" government interest is moot. The University of Michigan has shown no interest in building a substantively, functionally "diverse" student body. If that were the goal, then anarchists, Marxists, fascists and cannibals would be given preference regardless of their heritage. They are not.

Michigan's system of racial preferences—in no way tailored to achieve its stated purpose of insuring meaningful diversity within the student body—amounts to little more than discrimination for its own sake, and fails the "damn good reason" test the 14th Amendment so wisely requires.

President Bush's progressive tax cut plan

By Tom Elliott
Senior Writer

Like U.S. President George W. Bush understands the utility in striking down an enemy force before it attacks you, I feel obligated to defend the Bush tax plan before any campus criticisms are launched. Predictably, the entirety of such critiques will engage the exhausted line of class warfare argument. Boring!

Not only are such arguments demonstrably false, their perceived intentions of helping the poor are manifestly backwards. If you happen to be unfortunate enough to ever hear one of your friends, professors or any other sad soul robotically reiterate the sound bite that starts like, "These tax cuts are directed towards the wealthiest ..." it would be in the best of both your interests to inform that person that the reason his or her love life is so mundane may have to do with Sen. Tom Daschle (D S.D.) impressions being so decidedly unsexy. These class warriors are the same people who bemoaned the corporate Enron-style scandals as implications of the shortcomings of capitalism. But are they truly interested in reform?

If these guys are serious about serving the poor and helping ensure against future corporate accounting scandals, they should support Bush's economic plan.

While I'm certain the tax cut package will have a tremendously beneficial impact on the economy, I believe it may have one deficiency: it's too progressive. Redistributionist liberals—or, modern day Robin Hoods, if you will—have already evidenced their inability to observe that the biggest cuts are aimed at the lowest earning. And, they will certainly believe my contention—tax cuts for the rich are the best remedy for the poor—makes as much sense as the earth being flat. Yet, this is how it is. If socialism held the answers to a more perfect society, I would be a socialist; but alas, it does not. The best welfare program is a strong economy, so it naturally follows that the saviors to the destitute are those possessing the key to economic growth. Fiscal conservatives, simply put, hold this key.

The metaphorical engine of our economy is, as I'm pretty sure all agree, the collective force of individuals in a market system. Private competition powers free enterprise, which gives companies the ability to collect revenue and distribute jobs. The lesser the amount the government involves itself in this process, the more productive the economy is. It's no surprise that the governments with higher degrees of economic freedom (few barriers to trade, minimal regulations, low taxes, etc.) in turn receive higher proportions of revenues.

This can be seen on varying scales, whether it be international, state or even local—no matter where private people and companies are able to freely choose where to do business—that locale is duly rewarded with increased tax receipts. The people, rich and poor, are the benefactors from an improved economy. Economic growth equates to more jobs and higher wages. Bush's economic plan will act as a sort of steroid for the currently moderately muscled economy.

So why doesn't everyone accept this notion of minimal government intrusion? After all, if Democrats love spending federal funds, shouldn't they accept the doctrine of the Laffer Curve, which observes there's an optimal level of taxation at which the government takes in the highest revenues? Perhaps they would, if they viewed liberty as approvingly as they do abortion. Our tax code is inarguably quite the debacle. This evolves from its work-in-progress dynamic. No congressional session is complete without amending it in some fashion. It's become so insanely complex and unending, you're reminded of a recent example of how chaotic it truly is. In an attempt to gauge how well it's actually understood, a figurative family prototype was created, standard in orientation. This scenario was then given to four leading tax filing agencies where it was prepared as if it were a real return. Long story short: only one firm was able to perform the task correctly.

What's more troubling is that the IRS doesn't even fully understand it. It seems clear there's a problem when both the professional preparers and the collectors themselves cannot keep up with this difficult code. Thus, tax code simplification and reduction are favorable at every instance—a flat tax being the highest ideal.

Bush's economic plan is three-pronged. It seeks to spark economic growth through increased consumer spending; encourage investment by both individuals and businesses and deliver help to the unemployed. These goals are sought in a few different ways. The incrementally phased in 2001 tax cuts will be hastened. Job-creating investment will spur from the ending of the double taxation of corporate dividends. Along with financial handouts, new jobs will become available to the unemployed. According to a projection by the Council of Economic Advisers, the president's plan will help the economy to create 2.1 million jobs over the next three years.

The two lowest-tiered income earning groups—0-$30,000 and $30,000 to $40,000—will have to pay 18.5 percent less, on average, in income taxes under the plan. This is opposed to an 11.5 percent reduction for earners of $100,000 and above. "The richest one percent," I don't think so. When former President Ronald Reagan signed the Tax Reform Act of 1986, he slashed the highest tax rate down to 28 percent. Rich people then did what they do best, which was start businesses, create jobs, make profitable investments and create economic growth.

Now, with a top rate around 40 percent, the rich, in an attempt to avoid such steep rates, inject their money into tax shelters that are designed to create losses rather than profits. High taxes will stifle growth while dimming the prospects for the poor to take steps up the economic ladder.

What occurs with astonishing regularity is the commonly held belief by pompous politicians that not only is it OK to tax your money once, but even twice. Every person who seemed to lose sleep over Enron, etc., should view this potential ending of this particular double taxation with great zeal. (I predict partisan politicking getting in the way of this.)

As of late, corporations tried to reward shareholders through capital gains, instead of dividends—actually giving the investors a slice of the companies' profits. Once the economy started its downtown in 1998, companies that didn't pay dividends (most high tech don't) began losing capital, and the investors lost money. Consequently, companies would encourage investment by predicting future profits, incorporating artificial measures to boost stock prices, thus creating the unusual bookkeeping that saw the demise of so many huge corporations like Enron. Companies can't fake dividends; they cannot distribute profits if surpluses are actually the product of creative accounting.

If liberals were serious about seeking corporate reform and bringing about economic benefits to the poor, they'd embrace Bush's plans with enthusiasm rather than criticism. But they won't, because they're not.

Peace protest brings people together

By Phil Martoma
Senior Writer

This Saturday I had the fortunate opportunity to attend the Washington peace protest with other Bucknellians, and random assortments of people from our area. Much to the dismay of many (including my parents) I assembled with others to speak out against the current rhetoric regarding a war on Iraq.

Many are quick to criticize such vocalizations, or to label such protesters as latent hippies desiring to relive an earlier time. I write this apologia both to take credence from the latter opinion, and to remind us all that though many cannot understand the willingness of some to freeze outside Capitol Hill to make their opinions heard, we do have much in common with those that care little about international issues.

For one thing, I am not, nor have I ever been a hippie. I would take offense to such a classification not because I disagree with their political opinions but because of their taste in music. Hippies (stereotypically) like the Beatles. Though I like many things from Britain, such as Prince William, "Queer as Folk" and Hugh Grant, the Beatles do not rank very high on the list. I am far too materialistic to be a hippie. If I had to choose between making another petition and shopping for shoes, you had better believe that a cute pair of faux suede will rank higher on my list of priorities than any petition.

You might say to yourself, "Yet, Phil, I have never had the resolve to march in the freezing weather for a political cause, in lieu of sleeping in on Saturday!" Believe it or not, neither have I, and yet by some miraculous turn of events, I woke up. I was just as tired as any Bucknellian would be at 6 a.m. on a Saturday. So the more pertinent question is why did I not do what most Bucknellians chose to do last Saturday? I would like to attribute my actions to pure altruism, but that would be self-aggrandizing.

Instead, I would have to admit it had partly to do with the curiosity I had about the event as well as the opportunity to meet attractive young men, such as myself. Laugh if you will, but the dating scene for young gay males at Bucknell is rather dry.

This is not to say that my only motivation for going was tainted by the desire to flirt with men, but instead that my feelings against the war rank no more strongly than does the average American. Perhaps few Bucknellians feel dissatisfied with the recreational activities they find here because they are straight. I am simply saying that my personal preferences instead made me seek an outlet for expression against something for which many of us have a common cause. That cause, is the belief in peace, and effectiveness of diplomacy. Though we may all have differing opinions about Iraq, and what needs to be done in that country, most of us can agree that peace is preferable to war. I personally feel out of step with the seeming aggression between our two countries, and I don't think that I am alone in feeling this way.

Terror financing questioned

More so than drugs, oil funds terrorism

By Tim Hinkle
Writer

With all the attention that we have been giving to terrorism since Sept. 11, a great deal of discussion has come to how terrorists finance their evil campaigns. Terror finance networks exist all over the globe, pulling in funds from false businesses, charities and other illicit means. As the Bush administration has stated since the beginning, terrorists also get their funding from drug money. To hammer this into the public consciousness and to raise support for our nation's failed war on drugs, the White House-sponsored Office of National Drug Control Policy launched a massive advertising campaign designed to link casual drug users with terrorism.

These ads feature teens who buy marijana and other drugs, and how, in surprisingly few steps, their money gets into the hands of terrorists. These ads fail to mention that the vast majority of marijuana in the United States is grown within our borders or in Canada, and has no link whatsoever to the financing of terrorism.

This is clearly an attempt by the Bush administration to bolster their war on marijuana use in America, which includes arresting medical marijuana patients in California where they have twice, through voter initiatives, authorized the medical use of cannabis. These ads also fail to mention that the only reason drug dealing remains a profitable business is because of drug prohibition. Not only do the commercials fails to take an accurate look at the financing of terror, but they use millions of our tax dollars to deliberately deceive the public.

The Bush administration does not want you to know that the vast majority of terror funding comes from nations like Saudi Arabia and other allies in our war on terror. Where in turn, do they get that money? Through oil sales, of course. A group called Americans for Fuel Efficient Cars recently launched an advertising campaign called the Detroit Project in response to the federal government's misinformation campaign and to "point out the much more credible link between driving SUVs and our national security." Our driving habits have us addicted to foreign oil since our own meager supplies simply cannot supply the enormous amount that Americans consume. In order to fill this demand, we are forced to deal with countries that then turn the money over to their friends in Islamic terrorist groups.

Our need for oil has allowed our leaders to turn a blind eye to those who actually fund terror. The Bush administration, once again representing American oil interests has tried to shift the spotlight from SUV drivers to drug users, convenient scapegoats who nobody is rushing to defend. With the popularity of SUVs on the rise, we will only become further in need of foreign oil. But fear not, soon we will have Iraq's vast oil fields under our control, and then we'll be able to drive our SUVs from coast to coast without fear of moral responsibility. But if perpetual war isn't your thing, or you want to help support the war on terror, ditch your SUV and look to a more fuel efficient hybrid car, as the Detroit Project suggests. Let's tell Washington to raise fuel economy standards for SUVs and to put true national security ahead of the interests of the oil industry.

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Millions unite to protest Iraq war

Courtesy of Reuters

Protesters rally in Washington, D.C. to protest war in Iraq. These U.S. protesters were part of a global effort to discourage war in the Middle East.

By Michael Dudzinski
Staff Writer

In a last-ditch effort to persuade U.S. President George W. Bush and his administration, millions of people globally united last weekend to urge a peaceful resolution with Iraq.

CNN reported that protesters, holding signs saying "No War for Oil" and "War is not the Answer," were determined to address Bush's policies loud and clear. So bold was the protestors' message, that the United Nations hinted that war was no longer a viable solution in dealing with Iraq.

Anti-war sentiment is growing so much in Great Britain that British Parliament member Jeremy Corbyn traveled to Washington, D.C. to show his dissent for war.

"This is a war with no support, no public recognition for it and I think the leaders, particularly President Bush and Prime Minister [Tony] Blair, are going to have to recognize they're alone on this one," Corbyn said to CNN.

Corbyn was not the only politician to make a stand in Washington, D.C. last Saturday. CNN also documented that Rev. Jesse Jackson ardently addressed a crowd of participants, urging Americans to "choose minds over missiles and negotiation over confrontation."

"It does not stand reason to have an unfinished confrontation with al-Qaida, ignore the Middle East and fast-forward to Iraq," Jackson said.

Although the protests were led peacefully, the Associated Press reported a few aggravated occurrences.

A Sunday demonstration at the White House proved somewhat chaotic when a band of law enforcement officials were called in to break up a group of protesters attempting to block traffic. Likewise, two women were hospitalized after being trampled on that same afternoon.

Uncertainty prevails as to whether Bush will rescind his premise for war as a result of the peace rallies.

Even if the president does not budge, the protest was worthwhile Dunya Cope of Georgetown University said.

"It's historically important to show that there was such an outcry (against war), and that people didn't just go along with it," Cope said.

The Associated Press disclosed that Secretary of State Colin Powell subsequently assured Americans on CBS's "Face the Nation" that the president is "trying every means not to go to war." National Security Advisor Condoleezza Rice said that the demonstrations symbolized the strength of American liberties.

Opponents of war filled the streets from various places across the world on Saturday to mark the largest peace demonstration since the Vietnam War in 1969, CNN reported. Japanese civilians assembled in Tokyo, some sporting Bush costumes while protesting. Citizens in Moscow, Pakistan and Egypt also gathered in opposition of a U.S.-led war against Iraq.

The New York Times revealed that the peace rallies were coordinated during the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday as a way for demonstrators to signify the virtue of freedom. More significant was the goal for protesters to convey to the Arab world that all Americans have also become victims of Bush's foreign policy agenda and are not complacent with it.*The New York Times* said that public support for the war has steadily declined since last weekend, which various media polls have indicated.

Since Bush's case against Iraq has been made, and U.N. inspections commenced, no weapons of mass destruction have been discovered. The Bush administration has not provided any evidence to support its claim that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein does indeed possess such artillery. Although no date has yet been confirmed, the United Nations is set to make a decision within the upcoming days on whether military action would be justifiable against Iraq.

Bush challenges affirmative action

Supreme court to hear case against University of Michigan

By Lindsey Gentel
Staff Writer

U.S. President George W. Bush ordered the Justice Department on Jan. 15 to argue before the Supreme Court that the University of Michigan admissions program is unconstitutional because the policies offer racial points to black, Latino and American Indian applicants and set goals for minority admissions.

"I strongly support diversity of all kinds, including racial diversity in higher education," Bush said in a nationally televised address. "But in the method used by the University of Michigan to achieve this important goal is fundamentally flawed. At their core, the Michigan policies amount to a quota system that unfairly rewards or penalizes prospective students based solely on their race."

Bush has moved to the forefront of the nation's debate about affirmative action by agreeing with three white students who allege that they were denied admission to the undergraduate and law programs, while less qualified minority candidates were admitted.

According to *The New York Times*, the president said that while he supported programs that find a way to ensure more minority students enroll in universities, programs like the ones at Michigan "create another wrong and thus perpetuate our divisions."

Secretary of State Colin Powell has said that he disagrees with Bush's position on affirmative action before the Supreme Court. According to *The Washington Post*, Powell, one of two black members of Bush's cabinet, said he supports the methods the University of Michigan uses to augment minority enrollments in its undergraduate and law school programs.

"Whereas I have expressed my support for the polices used by the University of Michigan, the president, in looking at it, came to the conclusion that it was constitutionally flawed, based on the legal advice he received," Powell said on CBS's "Face the Nation."

National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice, another black member of Bush's administration, has also come forward, mildly opposing Bush's position on racial preferences in college admissions, according to MSNBC.com. Rice said that it is reasonable for a college or university to use race as one of many different measures in choosing which applicant to admit in order to attain the goal of a diverse student body.

"I believe that while race-neutral means are preferable, it is appropriate to use race as one factor among others in achieving a diverse student body," Rice said, according to MSNBC.com.

White House officials said Rice encouraged Bush to compromise that race could be used as a factor in admissions, though she agreed with his view that the Michigan program went too far, *The Washington Post* reported.

Bush has asserted that because the programs relied too heavily on race, they were unconstitutional. In Michigan's undergraduate school, minority candidates were given extra points in a formula to decide whether they could be admitted.

The law school simply counted race as one factor among many. Bush administration lawyers said that since the practice of this program resulted in each incoming class having a similar percentage of minority students, the program operated as a quota system.

The court is set to hear arguments in the case in April and is expected to issue a decision this spring.

Inspectors find empty warheads in Iraq

The presence of empty chemical warheads in Iraq violates a U.N. resolution

By Emily Post
Writer

U.N. weapons inspectors found 12 empty chemical warheads about 75 miles south of Baghdad on Jan. 16. The United States checked Iraq's weapons declaration and found no record of them.

U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell believes that with this discovery, the United States has the authority it needs to launch an attack on Iraq. By possessing these weapons, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has blatantly violated the U.N. Security Council Resolution 1441, which calls for a "full, final and complete disclosure of weapons of mass destruction and a verified disarmament process in Iraq."

"It is Iraq's responsibility under 1441 to cooperate fully with the inspectors in the disarmament process," Powell said in *The New York Times*.

With this discovery comes the question of whether the existence of these weapons of mass destruction provides the American government with the necessary rationale to strike against Iraq.

U.S. President George W. Bush thinks so, but many close U.S. allies disagree. In response to the U.N.'s findings, Iraq said that their scientists would participate in private interviews with U.N. arms inspectors. Because Iraq is making efforts to cooperate with other inspection teams, countries such as France, a permanent member of the U.N. with power to veto any resolution that would authorize military action, see no reason to commence war.

The New York Times reported that "by making the commitments, Iraq seemed intent on convincing members of the United Nations, particularly those in Europe wary of a United States-led attack, that Iraq is willing to compromise and that inspections need more time and are a better option than war."

Meanwhile, American allies do not want the United States to act independently without their support.

Bush is not content with Iraq possessing any weapons.

According to *The New York Times*, the president said, "This business about more time—how much time do we need to see clearly that he [Hussein]'s not disarming?"

Bush said that Iraq's possession of these weapons is too large of a threat to the United States and American allies to wait for inspectors to determine what other undisclosed weapons Iraq has.

> *"Let us ... be clear that time is running out for Saddam Hussein."*
> ***—Jack Straw***
> *British foreign secretary*

"The United States of America, in the name of peace, will insist that he disarm, and we will keep pressure," Bush said to *The New York Times*.

According to a Newsweek poll, 81 percent of Americans support U.S. military action if the United States attacks with its major allies and the support of the Security Council. On the other hand, only 39 percent of Americans support an attack if the United States is joined by only one or two major nations and without U.N. support. One close ally that remains in support of action against Iraq is Great Britain. British Prime Minister Tony Blair, like Bush, believes that we have the right to attack Iraq without the support of the United Nations.

"Let us ... be clear that time is running out for Saddam Hussein," said Jack Straw, the British foreign secretary.

President unveils plan to improve country's struggling economy

By Jim Leahy
Senior Writer

U.S. President George W. Bush is spending more time talking about the economy as it continues to be a vital issue in his administration. The saying "it's the economy, stupid" is one of the most well-known political clichés and one that can sink a president blindingly fast come election time. Recognizing this, the administration is showing a renewed interest in the economy and rolling out new tax policies and other economic stimuli to ensure that the 2004 election will not be about the economy.

The White House's new economic stimulus package is ambitious and promises to bring a large tax break to the American public. According to WhiteHouse.gov, there are three main issues the president hopes to address with the package. The ultimate goal is to bring back some strength and stability to the economy. Bush hopes to speed up the implementation of the 2001 tax cuts to bring their benefits faster. The package also extends unemployment benefits. Finally, the president wants to end double taxation of dividends.

Courtesy of Reuters

President Bush speaks about the economy on a visit to St. Louis. Bush has been drawing both support and criticism for his economic stimulus package, which proposes to create more jobs and provide billions in tax relief.

According to the White House's Web site, "The president's jobs and growth package will provide $98 billion of total tax relief over the next 16 months and $670 billion over the next decade. It will spur real overall economic growth, yet it is disciplined and tailored to address specific challenges."

The plan is drawing fire from all sides as Democrats complain it will set the United States back by increasing the budget deficit to an unmanageable level. Others think that with the intended spending to cover the upcoming war in Iraq, the United States will not be able to afford the cuts. Others question the way dividend taxes really affect all Americans. They feel that this is only a tax benefit for the rich—the dividend tax only affects stockowners and many Americans do not directly own stock.

Many groups see this as a positive step for the economy. It will provide an opportunity for companies to reward investors and create more money that can be pumped into the economy. Investors are taking to the idea of the dividend tax disappearance warmly and so are companies.

Microsoft jumped on the dividend announcement with a declaration of its own, possibly a sign of things to come out of the technology industry. According to the company's Web site, it will pay its first-ever dividend to investors on Jan. 16 to return some of the billions in cash the company has amassed. The company also announced that it would split its stock two-for-one by the middle of February.

Microsoft CFO John Connors said in a statement, "Declaring a dividend demonstrates the board's confidence in the company's long-term growth opportunities and financial strength. We are especially pleased to be able to return profits to our shareholders, while maintaining our significant investment in research and development and satisfying our long-term capital requirements."

There are other pieces to the economy that the president will be watching over the coming months to make sure his leadership is taking the right course in helping the economy. If he fails to deal with these issues properly, they may come back and hurt him.

First, William McDonough, chairman of the Federal Reserve's New York branch, recently announced that he would retire as chairman in the next several weeks. According to the Associated Press, he "chaired the Fed's New York bank since July 1993. He was often touted as a successor to Greenspan, whose current term as chairman ends in June 2004. He played a key role in coordinating the government's response to the disruptions on Wall Street following the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks and was instrumental in rescuing a giant U.S. investment fund, Long Term Capital Management, from collapse during the 1997-98 Asian currency crisis."

The Washington Post reported, "McDonough has been a staunch ally of Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan, voting to keep interest rates low during the 1990s as the economy boomed and stock prices soared. In a statement yesterday, Greenspan said McDonough's retirement 'will leave a pronounced void' at the central bank."

The U.S. dollar is also a cause for economic concern. It has been very weak lately and many economists and analysts expect that weakness to continue and perhaps get worse.

Dave Kansas, writing in *The Wall Street Journal*, said, "Ugly geopolitics, weak overseas economies and deep deficits all add up to a dull dollar for at least the next 12 months. What does that mean for the U.S. economy? Costlier imports and greater inflationary pressures are two problems to anticipate."

Kansas also said to *The Wall Street Journal* that there are positive possibilities with a weak dollar.

"On the flip side, a weaker dollar helps make U.S. companies be more competitive overseas, especially in the technology and services sectors," Kansas said. "Mark Chandler, head of foreign exchange strategy at HSBC estimates that 40 percent to 50 percent of S&P 500 earnings come from overseas, thus a weaker dollar should give a lift to corporate profits this year."

The U.S. trade deficit is also showing dangerous signs. In a perfect world, the United States would import as much as it exports, but the trend has seen the United States import much more than it exports. There are many reasons for this, but the record set in November has many wondering about the overall strength of the economy.

The New York Times reported, "The trade deficit widened to a record $40.1 billion in November as imports surged after a resumption of business at West Coast ports, according to a Commerce Department report. The wider trade gap in goods and services came after a revised $35.2 billion shortfall in October and reflected a record inflow of holiday and other consumer merchandise, the Commerce Department said. Imports had declined in October, when ports in California, Oregon and Washington closed early in the month after shippers locked out union dockworkers in a labor dispute."

All these factors leave many questions unanswered about the state of the U.S. economy. Many businesses are betting that there will be more good news than bad in the next 12 months. They should rest assured that their president is also looking for the same thing. Bush is hoping his handling of the economy turns positive fast or he may have more work to do in 2004.

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Women's team posts its first Patriot League victory

With a 74-65 win the Lady Bison defeat Navy for the tenth straight time and improved their overall record to 6-9

By Joe Schweitzer
Staff Writer

The Bucknell Women's basketball team posted its first Patriot League victory 74-65 over Navy on Jan. 18. The game marked the Lady Bison's 10th straight win over the Mids and improved their overall record to 6-9, 1-2 in the Patriot League.

The game was filled with impressive scoring runs by both squads and reflected the roller coaster ride that the Orange and Blue have had this season. Navy sprinted to an early lead at 20-12 behind 10 points from Navy standout Courtney Davidson. Kate Franks '03 hit two key three pointers as the Bison responded with a 14-2 run over the next six minutes to pull ahead 26-22.

After several lead changes, Bucknell ended the half with a 9-2 run including six points from Desire Almind '04 for a 37-28 lead.

The second half continued the same trend as the Bison opened a 13 point lead, 41-28, only to be held scoreless for nearly five minutes as the Mids came storming back to knot the game at 43-43 midway through the second half.

Bucknell tightened its defense to stay close and then used clutch rebounding and free throw shooting, including a 9-10 effort in the final 2 minutes, 14 seconds of the game to tally its first Patriot League victory.

"This was a great victory for our team today," Head Coach Kathy Fedorjaka said. "We knew Navy was going to give us everything we could handle and our kids did a great job of fighting through it."

The Orange and Blue's three-headed monster of Molly Creamer '03, Franks, and Almind led the way by combining for 66 of the team's 74 points. Creamer and Franks both scorched the nets for 23 points, including Franks' impressive 5-7 showing from three point land. Almind fought hard inside, recording 20 points and 10 rebounds for her fourth double-double of the season.

"I feel an obvious similarity between this team and last year's team is having Molly and Des out on the court with me," co-captain Kate Franks said. "Having played with those two the past two years, we kind of know each other's games pretty well, which makes it easier out on the court."

On Jan. 15, the Orange and Blue Ladies opened Sojka Pavilion in heartbreaking fashion with a 74-67 loss to Lehigh. The defeat kept the Bison from celebrating their first Patriot League victory and dropped their league record to 0-2, 5-9 overall.

The game was built up to be one of the better clashes of the season as all-leaguers Creamer and Lehigh's Ann Tierney were squaring off in an early battle to become Patriot League Player of the Year. The interesting storyline was whether Lehigh's young backcourt could contain Creamer's outstanding playmaking ability and if Bucknell's young frontcourt could stop Tierney's low post assault.

"The low post is a constant battle of strength, with the biggest difference from high school to college being the physical play under the basket," low post standout Chelsea Smith '06 said. "It takes hard work to post up and

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The Lady Bison take a moment to regroup during their heartbreaking 74-67 loss to Patriot League foe Lehigh. The game was the first contest ever held at the Sojka Pavilion, which celebrating its grand opening on Jan. 15.

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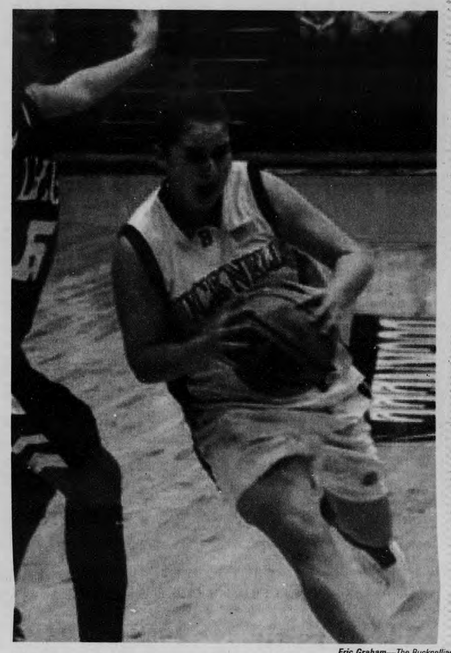

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Molly Creamer '03 drives downcourt against Lehigh during the Bison's close loss. Creamer's 35-point effort broke the University's record for most 30-point games.

Men's Basketball drops third straight

By Dave Cohen
Senior Writer

The Bison men's basketball team dropped its third consecutive game on Jan. 21, losing at Cornell (6-8, 1-0), 64-60. Despite the fact that only three Big Red players converted on field goals, Bucknell (7-9, 1-2) was unable to overcome a 15-2 Cornell run early in the second half of play.

Although Boakai Lalugba '03, the Patriot League's leading scorer and rebounder, was held at bay by the Big Red with just two field goals, Kevin Bettencourt '06 picked up the offense with 17 points. Bettencourt does not feel the pressure of being relied on as the sole alternative offensive threat.

"I did not necessarily feel like I needed to step up the offense, knowing Boakai has a tough time getting shots," Bettencourt said. "I think that I am getting more available and getting open shots due to all the attention teams have been giving him lately, though."

The first-year student connected on his first four attempts of the game, three of which came from beyond the arc. Lalugba concluded the contest with 10 points and eight rebounds.

A victory appeared within reach for the Orange and Blue at the conclusion of the first half, as Chris Niesz's '05 two three-point field goals propelled the team to a 33-28 halftime advantage. After a Davorin Skornik '04 inside bucket opened the second half, Cornell began its ferocious run. The final lead change occurred with 17:31 remaining in the game when Cornell canned a three-point shot to take a 37-35 lead.

A Bettencourt shot from downtown cut the lead to, 54-52 late in the game, but the Bison allowed too many second chance opportunities to be in position to win the battle and Cornell converted well on its free throws. Although Bucknell had a chance to tie the game with 23 seconds left, Daniel Blankenship '03 was called for an offensive foul and

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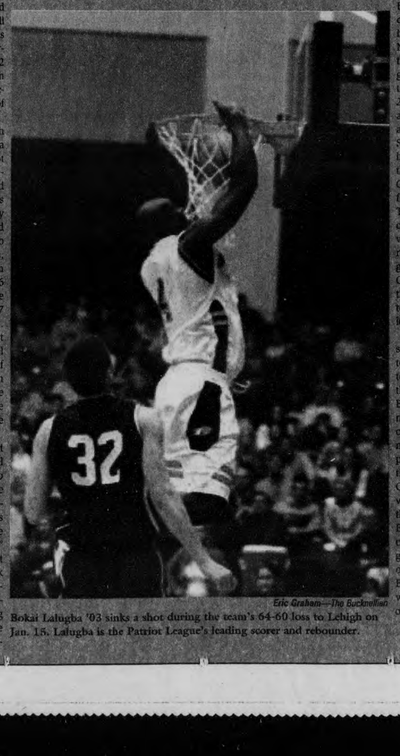

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Bokai Lalugba '03 sinks a shot during the team's 64-60 loss to Lehigh on Jan. 15. Lalugba is the Patriot League's leading scorer and rebounder.

Swimming triumphs

By Stephen Schwanhausser
Staff Writer

This week the Bucknell women's swimming and diving teams are celebrating the completion of their winter training trips and a decisive victory over Colgate University this past weekend. Over winter break, the swimmers spent a 10-day stint in Naples, Fla. to train for the final months of their season. For the first time ever, the divers trained at a separate facility in Orlando. For both teams this annual trip has proven to be an essential component of their preparation and was once again highly successful. For the swimmers, the trip started out with what Head Coach Jerry Foley called a "thunderbolt," as unfortunate circumstances caused them to miss their flight to Florida, and, consequently the team spent nearly 30 hours on a bus. After arriving at their destination, the training event passed flawlessly and provided a strong base off which to compete second semester.

"Although we were faced with adversity in our travels, our accommodations in both the hotel, pool, and weight training facilities proved better than any I've seen in past years. Everyone worked diligently and I believe overall the trip was a huge success," Senior Captain Darby Golino said.

The diving team trained away from the swimmers in an indoor facility. This worked well due to expanded board space and training.

Their work in Florida paid off in competition against Colgate University, resulting in a strong win190-110 win over the Raiders for the Bison. The competition began with a 1st place finish in the 200 medley relay when the combination of Golino, Jamie Flick '05, Mary Krakowski '06, and Meghan Freese '04 finished over a second ahead of Colgate in a time of 1 minute, 50.59 seconds. Following this opening event, the Bison women swept the 1,000-yard freestyle event with Daniela Faas '04, Krisztina Poda '04 and Andrea Kern '04 achieving 1st through 3rd, respectively. As the meet continued into the 200-yard freestyle, Jen Cancro '04 and Lectie Altman '06 placed 1st and 2nd, with Cancro finishing in 1:58.58. The sprint freestyle events were dominated by Freese, as she won both the 50-yard (24.40) and the 100-yard (53.31). In the final free event of the day, the 500-yard, the Bison once again showed their depth, earning the top four finishes led by Faas, Cancro, Jackie Feinthel '05 and Leslie Rice '05.

Entering the backstroke events, Golino

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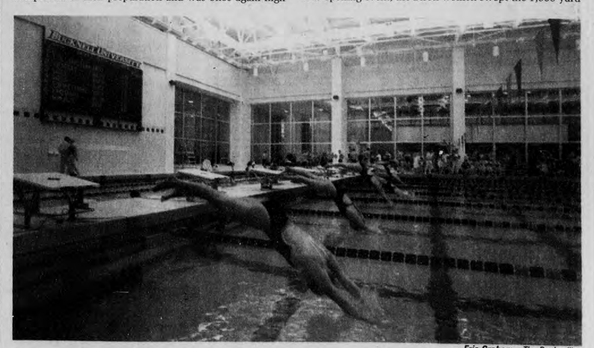

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The swimmers launch into action at the Kinsey Natatorium during a Jan. 11 meet. The Bison trained in Florida over break, then successfully returned to competition in a 190-110 victory at Colgate University on Jan. 18.

Sports

Super Bowl Spectacular

Editors Picks

Brent Butler

Even with Jon Cruden's integral knowledge of the Raiders, the trio of Charlie Garner, Jerry Rice and MVP Rich Gannon will be too much for Tampa Bay to overcome. Unfortunately for Tampa Bay, even if they do "give him the damn ball," Keyshawn Johnson and the rest of the Bucs will be no match for the Raiders offense. Martin Grammatica will have an excellent game, making two 50-plus-yard field goals, but unfortunately after the second field goal he will injure himself for next season jumping up and down ... oh, wait ... he already did that. Stay tuned after the game for some spectacular riots in the streets of Oakland. Burning cars, huge bonfires, drinking heavily and huge brawls among fans; isn't this what football is all about?

Raiders 31, Bucs 20
($3.23 million in damages)

Aaron DeRosa

No one really knows who Ronde Barber is, and perhaps it's better that way. He's good, but to know Ronde is to know Tiki from the Giants and that is certainly a road best left unpaved. Regardless, Ronde and the inescapable Warren Sapp, inescapable because the universal force of attraction between all objects that tends to pull them toward one another, the force known as gravity which emanates from deep within Sapp's cavernous stomach, will be worthy of some attention. And if you thought THAT was an overused metaphor, keep a tally of the number of times Gannon is referred to as a "cannon." I'll pick the underdog Buccaneers by three.

Buccaneers 24, Raiders 21.

Cecily Cairns

There was a time in my youth when I was reluctant to enter the video rental place because I was so terrified of the Chuckie doll on the store's "Child's Play" poster. Seriously, it took me years to get over my paralyzing fear of that creepy toy scuttling into my room and disposing of me with some sort of pointy office supply. Because of the deeply-entrenched scars left from that struggle, I feel compelled to pick the Bucs to win—if for no other reason, simply to reduce my irrational fear that if I don't, Jon Gruden will creep through my window and kill me with scissors. No seriously, I think this team's defense is monstrous, and I think they won't allow Oakland's offense to operate on the loose rein it has in the past.

Bucs 17, Raiders 14.

Pat Evans

The best coach that the NFL may ever see, Jon Gruden, will not lose in the Super Bowl to his ex-team, Tampa Bay's secondary proved in the NFC Championship that they will up for the task of handling Jerry Rice and Tim Brown. Bush will consider moving troops to combat unruly (and strange) Raiders fans after the loss.

Bucs 24, Raiders 17

With the biggest game of the year coming up this weekend, *The Bucknellian* decided to conduct a poll about who Bucknellians thought was going to win the Super Bowl. These are some of the results:

"I say Raiders by 10. Rarely does a trash-talking bunch rise to Super Bowl stardom. Arrogance is usually snuffed out, not rewarded. Warren Sapp and the Bucs will talk up a storm, but I think the Raiders will dominate and sink their ship. In this ironic matchup between two teams of pirates, look to see the Bucs thrown overboard on Sunday."

Martin Wade '06

"Well at least it'll be a good matchup now that yet another Philadelphia sports team has choked. That game just wouldn't have been even close. Give the Eagles credit, they do have an annoying chant and they did lose to a superior team. B-U-C-S, Bucs, Bucs, Bucs win it all."

Tom Brophy '04

"Being a lifelong Chargers fan, I can't help but hate the Raiders even though I like their players. Anyway, I'll pick the Bucs 27-24 in a controversial overtime that will forever change the way fans view the archaic pro football tie-breaking system."

Bob Gaines Public Relations and Publications, AD

"As much as I hate to say it, being raised a 49ers fan and taught to despise the Raiders, but the Raiders will win because they have an ex-Niner, Jerry Rice. Also they will have the crowd on their side. At the Chargers' home game versus the Raiders, there were 10 times more Raiders fans than Chargers fans. Most importantly though, the Raiders will win because my man Gil Villanueva in Admissions says they will win, and his 3-year-old Grant says it, too.

Brad Ward Admissions AD

"Personally, I am still mad at what happened to the Eagles on Sunday, but come to think of it we are a city of losers anyway. (Well, since 1983.) So I say that if I were to choose between the Bucs (who beat us just recently) and the Oakland Raiders (who beat us in our only Super Bowl appearance in 1981, I would choose ... the seasick crocodile! Nah, just joking. I guess I will root for Oakland if only to get revenge for what Tampa did to Philly."

Louis Blau, '03

"Oakland's powerful offense will finally be slowed down by an absolutely dominant Tampa Bay defense. Combine that with the fact that Tampa Bay's offense is peaking at the right time, and this game has all the makings for an upset. Tampa Bay will win this one 23-21 on a last-second field goal by Martin Gramatica, who will then hurt himself celebrating the game-winning kick."

Mark Walker '06

"I predict the Bucs will win. I liken the Bucs to the Ravens of two years ago. The Bucs flaunt a stellar defense and a competent, efficient offense. The Rams offense last year was better than this Raider one, and the Patriots managed to stop it. The Bucs also gain an intangible advantage in having Gruden as their coach. His knowledge of the Raiders should produce an effective game plan."

Matt Del Guidice '03

"The Raiders will win the Super Bowl. They just keep proving over and over again that they have too many weapons on offense—the league's best quarterback, three Pro-Bowl-caliber receivers and the league's most underrated running back in Charlie Garner. Their run defense is stellar and they also have one of the league's better secondaries. Tampa Bay won't be able to stop them on defense and they won't be able to put enough points up on offense."

Otto Tancraitor '05

"Who cares?! The Philadelphia Eagles' loss at home was so devastating that I don't even want to read about football, let alone watch a Super Bowl that they were destined to be a part of."

Bob Tripple '05

"Brad Johnson is a better quarterback than Rich Gannon any day of the week. Tampa also has an advantage in that they actually still have Gruden/Chuckie, not to mention the locomotive known as Mike Alstott. Go Bucs."

Charles Mitchell '05

"Although on paper the Bucs defense is statistically the best in the NFL, it needs to be noted that they only faced four opponents this season ranked in the top 10 in total offense. Gannon's pinpoint accuracy and oversized offensive line will be too much for Derrick Brook's and Warren Sapp's stingy defense. I'm taking the Raiders 28-20."

Charles Wattles '06

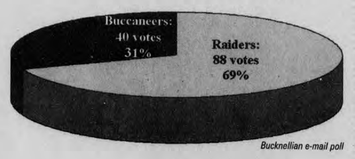
"Raiders 27 to Bucs 13. The Bucs pass rush will be handled by the Raiders with an array of short screens and slants. Tampa cannot match up with Oakland's receivers either in the Cover 2 or the Nickel set. Oakland's pass rush will get to Brad Johnson, and coupled with a dormant running game, Tampa never gets going and makes Gruden's homecoming not as he had visioned."

Jeffrey Wodlinger '05

"Oakland is a more solid team with the leadership of the MVP Rich Gannon. The fact that Jon Gruden will now be the opposing coach will add an interesting element, but Oakland shouldn't have any trouble winning this game."

Lauren Lombardo '05

Who will win Super Bowl XXXVII?



Bucknellian e-mail poll

Triple C's Trivia

By Cecily Cairns

1. In 1976, Tampa Bay's opponents scored 412 points, but the Bucs weren't the worst in the league in that category. Who was?

2. If the Raiders win on Sunday, Jerry Rice will join who as the only player to be a member of five Super Bowl-winning teams?

3. Who holds the individual record for most interceptions in a single Super Bowl?

1. The Seattle Seahawks allowed 429; 2. Charles Haley, S.F. and Dallas; 3. Rod Martin of the 1980 Raiders.

BUCKNELL BISON

Men's Basketball
vs. Army
Friday, Jan. 24
7:45 p.m.

Women's Basketball
vs. Army
Friday, Jan. 24
5:30 p.m.

Calendar

Bucknell Octagonal
Track Meet
Saturday All Day

Men's Hockey
vs. Franklin and
Marshall
Saturday, Jan. 25
4 p.m.

BUCKNELL BISON

Men's Basketball
vs. Lafayette
Sunday, Jan. 26
3:15 p.m.

Women's Basketball
vs. St Francis
Sunday, Jan. 26
1:00 p.m.

Sports Ops

Cecily Cairns Classic Corner

Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

Bucc-kling under the pressure

Sportswriters have an intrinsic infatuation with redemption. It is, after all, a theme that routinely garners universal appeal. We're just mesmerized by late round draft picks, ex-CFLers, ex-arena-leaguers, ex-XFLers, ex-marching band members, ex-grocers and pretty much anyone who's ever been cut by any team, ever. The rule of thumb follows that the appeal level rises dramatically in congruence with the previous levels of patheticism.

Sportswriter logic hypothesizes, based on this theory, that the more engaging tales of adversity we can drag up from the mires of someone's past, the more we can increase that subject's perceived level of "pluckiness." More pluckiness, of course, equals more appeal.

Following along these trusty guidelines, it only makes sense to approach Super Bowl XXXVII by immediately scrounging through the histories of all members involved, digging up a few sad stories of past failures and disappointments and then preaching on and on about what a grand stage for redemption this game will be.

But in truth, the challenge in finding a redemption candidate really evaporated from the whole process as soon as the NFC Championship game was committed into the books. The Tampa Bay Buccaneers are going to the Super Bowl. That, in and of itself, is the Holy Grail of once-implausible occurrences.

Expansion franchises, across all sports, are traditionally disastrous in their first season or two. "Disastrous" is far too mild a descriptor for the Buccaneers' early efforts. The team shed their training wheels and launched an ill-starred maiden voyage in the fall of 1976, and would proceed to spend the next four months adding previously unthinkable dimensions to the term "growing pains."

Statistics speak volumes about that 1976 season, perhaps none more than the distribution of numbers across the win-loss columns. Wins: 0. Losses: 14. It marked the first, and only, time since 1944 that an NFL team stumbled to defeat in every single one of its games across an entire season.

If that wasn't convincing enough, the not-so-menacing marauders continued with what seemed like an inviolable tradition of inadequacy well into the 1977 season, running up their losing streak to an impressive 26 games before finally winning one. It's like they say—the 27th time is the charm.

Win-loss records, of course, don't always tell the whole story. Sometimes it isn't as bad as it looks. Sometimes—and it's the case that the Bucs' 1976 season was one of those times—it's actually even worse than it looks. The Buccaneers were outscored 412-125, an average of 20 points each game.

To put the Bucs' 125 points in perspective, consider that the 2002 Cincinnati Bengals—this year's banner team for total ineptitude—managed to toss 279 points onto the board in their favor. Mathematically speaking, that makes the 1976 Buccaneers more than twice as pathetic as this year's bungling Bengals.

It's no wonder that Bucs' hardy and brutally honest Head Coach John McKay's response to a question regarding the execution of his team's offense was, "I'm all for it."

Starting quarterback Steve Spurrier piloted the offense through 12 of the 14 games, five of which resulted in a goose-egg on the scoreboard. The team lost its first game 20-0. The second game resulted in a 23-0 effort of futility that saw the Bucs gain a total of four passing yards. As the season rolled on, the embarrassment turned to humiliation, the humiliation to disgrace, and finally, when the team ran out of descending rungs on the ladder of competency, the whole thing just became laughable. They lost 34-0 to the Jets, 42-zip to a merciful Pittsburgh team, 48-13 to Denver and 49-16 to Oakland.

By the time the end of the season came and put them out of their misery, at least temporarily, all McKay had to say about his crew was that they'd be back.

"Maybe not this century," he said. "But we'll be back and we will be a better football team."

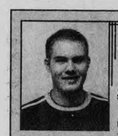
So here we are, three years into the next century, and old John McKay's words of wit are beginning to seem more like words of wisdom.

The Bucs' regurgitated-Meow-Mix-colored jerseys have been revamped in favor of a decidedly more intimidating cut-throat, blood-red and tarnished gold design. "Buccaneer Bruce," the disturbingly dapper swashbuckler that used to grace the team's helmets has given way to a more gruesome skull-and-swords flag. The humorous, biting quips of McKay have been replaced by the killer-doll facial contortions of Jon Gruden.

And, of course, the "bad news Bucs" are no longer their own worst enemies, as they were in 1976 (and several other seasons over the next pair of decades). Instead, having put together the best defense in the league, they may be the worst nightmare of every opposing offense in the league.

They'll have to thwart a gallant offense and a gritty defense in the Oakland Raiders, a team with a few of its own redemption-seeking subplots. Even this far-removed from their harrowing past, the Buccaneers have by no means seen the last of adversity.

Still, this league seems to spew out Cinderella stories as though there's some secret, ancient script signed by Pete Rozelle that necessitates a certain frequency of cloying, sappy, zero-to-hero ascensions to fame per each half-decade. With that in light, the Buccaneers chances, based on the past-patheticism factor, are pretty damn good.



Scott Kloss
Senior Writer

Goliath vs. Goliath

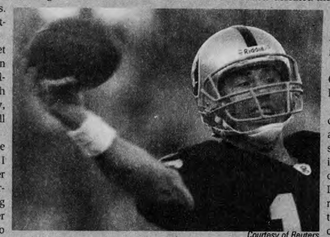
"Quarterbacks eating dirt and cheerleaders in short skirts ..."

Ahh, what more can you ask for? Fueled by inspirational commercials and hard-hitting play, Super Bowl XXXVII euphoria has arrived—this year featuring the league's MVP (Rich Gannon) and defensive player of the year (Derrick Brooks). If that doesn't wet your appetite, we'll be treated to NFL's best offense (Oakland Raiders), against Tampa Bay Buccaneers' No. 1 ranked defense.

The Raiders strength is passing the football. Staring them in the face is the best pass defensive unit in 20 years—the Bucs. While most teams cringe in the face of meeting the Bucs, Gannon has other ideas.

"We change tempo a little bit and try to get looks so we can get plays dialed up," Gannon said. "We are a team that can be more balanced. We ran the ball well in the last month of the season. We didn't do it [last] Sunday, but we will do a better job running the ball next week."

While most sports analysts focus on the No. 1 ranked units for each respective team, I see the game being determined by "the other guys." Will the Raiders defense pick quarterback Brad Johnson's pocket, or will running back Mike Alstott run wild on the Raider defense? Super Bowls usually come down to clock management and special team play. Look for the team that breaks the big run back or creates a turnover late in the game to be holding the Vince Lombardi trophy high.



Courtesy of Reuters

MVP Rich Gannon hopes to unleash the best of his Raiders' high-powered offense against Tampa Bay's daunting defense, which has held opposing passers to a 48.4 rating this year.

The main off-the-field story coming from San Diego, the host city for the Super Bowl, is the meeting of Tampa Coach Jon Gruden with his ex-team, Oakland Raiders. Gruden, "traded" to the Bucs this season in exchange for two first round selections, two 2nd round picks and eight million dollars, will get his chance to prove he was worth the steep price. (The Raiders were able to land three rookie starters in wide receiver Jerry Porter, tight end Doug Jolley, and defensive back Phillip Buchanan with those picks.) On the surface, I wondered how any coach can be worth so much, but in just his first season in the helm, Gruden has positioned defensive tackle Warren Sapp and company to upset the football gods and pull out the improbable victory. This trade is similar to the Dallas Cowboys trading Herschel Walker to the Vikings for multiple first round picks, including Emmitt Smith, which helped make the 'Boys the dominate team of the 90s.

When the smoke clears Sunday, I see the Bucs pulling off the upset in San Diego.

Last Friday brought together a David and Goliath match-up between Shaquille O'Neal and Yao Ming. In what was their first meeting, fans were treated to matchups reminiscent of the "big men" battles of Patrick Ewing and Hakeem Olujuwon.

O'Neal is a 7-1, 360-pound athlete whose combination of brute strength and low-post talent has led the Lakers to multiple titles. Yao is one of the best athletes from the world's most populated nation, a transcendent figure who is only beginning to show why he became the first foreigner selected first in the NBA draft.

The Decker Effect—big build-up, little results—was no where to be found! Yao proved from the start that he would not be bullied around by O'Neal, blocking O'Neal's first three shots. After four hotly contested quarters of action O'Neal finished with the better statistical line—31 points, 13 rebounds and four assists to Yao's 10 points, 10 rebounds and six blocks—but where it hurts most, the Houston Rockets defeated the Los Angeles Lakers 108-104.

"He's a classy guy," O'Neal said of Yao. "I was looking forward to playing him. He's a great player. It's another challenge for me."

In a sign of sportsmanship, Yao and O'Neal exchanged handshakes and a brief hug as they walked off the court.

Alright, let's take a trip to kangaroo country and chat about the sizzling tennis action at the Australian open! On the ladies side the Williams sisters are continuing their inevitable crash course, with Venus Williams collecting a 6-4, 6-3 victory over 7th-ranked Daniela Hantuchova. She launched an Open record 125 mph ace, having the ball boys take just one more step away from the court...

The other Williams, Serena, had a wake-up call early in the tournament-- being taken to three sets by little-known French player Emilie Loit in the first round—but has dropped just 11 games in her subsequent three matches.

"Every match that goes on, I'm going to have a much tougher match. So I'm just here, taking it one point at a time, one match at a time. However the outcome is, I'll take it—as long as it's positive," Serena said.

The romantic news from the Open comes from Steffi Graf, who might make a comeback to tennis at Roland Garros to honor a promise to husband Andre Agassi if he wins a fourth Australian Open. Agassi said Tuesday that if he can win the men's title at the Australian Open on Sunday, the former world No. 1 Graf would have to partner with him in mixed doubles at the French Open.

On the men's side, Andre Agassi looks poised to get his wife out on the tennis court after executing precision serves Tuesday in overwhelming Sebastien Grosjean 6-3, 6-2, 6-2 to breeze into the semifinals of the Australian Open.

Agassi hasn't lost a match in Australia since 1999 and has dropped just one set—against Nicolas Escude in the third round—in this tournament.

Across the bracket, pretty boy Lleyton Hewitt lost 6-7 (4), 7-6 (4), 7-6 (5), 6-4 to Frenchman Younes El Aynaoui on Monday. El Aynaoui had to play great tennis to beat the world's No. 1, finishing with 33 aces.

Me Like Sports twee

Aaron DeRosa
Senior Editor

A Bettor's Debt

Bud Selig is trying desperately to leave some sort of mark on baseball other than the notch on his club like a warrior tallying his victims. Over the past few months, word from the tortoise has it that Pete Rose may be headed for the Hall of Fame, pending his approval of Selig's proposal of an admission, an apology and a short probation.

So Pete Rose was an inveterate gambler. Sue him! Who among us has never had the urge to gamble? Can he really be blamed for acting on an impulse that we all have? Doesn't he just represent the mafia crime boss in all of us?

If we want to blame Rose for anything, shouldn't it be for being hopelessly stupid about his iniquities? The insurmountable evidence brought against him is staggering. How can one man bet so much with so little regard for cleaning his tracks? Contrary to Rose's seeming ideology, burning bridges is not the same as wiping off fingerprints.

The sheer volume of betting slips, phone records, squealing bookies and banking notes brought to bear against Rose like the People vs. Kris Kringle is enough to make Enron executives cringe. I haven't seen poor record keeping this bad since the Minnesota Timberwolves renegotiated Joe Smith's contract.

For the uninitiated, Pete Rose holds the mark for most career hits. It is true that he was forced to retire as a player because his stats dwindled far too greatly. It is also true that, as a manager, he wrote himself into the lineup to collect more hits at the expense of better players on the team.

Rose critics argue that his stats are based entirely on longevity rather than superiority. Though few contend that Rose was as great a hitter as Ted Williams, his dominance and his numbers don't lie. Even if his stats are based on longevity, the physical fortitude that is required to be in the league for a record 24 years is astonishing in and of itself. Cal Ripken is a well-respected player, but without question, he stayed on for a few too many years. But we respect him for being an "iron-man."

If Rose bet on baseball, he has devalued the sport, this much is true. But this is no different from drug users, rapists and murders, yet we've seen greats like Lawrence Taylor and Ray Lewis hold top honors in football and Ken Caminiti and Jose Canseco in baseball.

I don't buy the "crime against baseball" vs. "crime against society" argument. If drugs are helping players boost their stats, they're destroying the integrity of all the ballers who played before them. Thirty home runs means absolutely nothing these days and it's NOT just because of higher altitude, juiced balls or shorter fences. These players are taking performance enhancers. Just because one disrupts the integrity of the managerial position versus the integrity of the players themselves doesn't change the fact that they are both social miscreants.

That being said, I don't necessarily agree that these players should be prohibited from the upper echelons of their sports, or at least not on the completely arbitrary basis that currently exists. I hate holding people to a higher standard simply because of the media focus. If I won the lottery tomorrow, I'd hate to see the scrutiny with which my life is subjected, and all because I made a decision to step into the 7-Eleven and buy a couple tickets.

So what's the solution? Where do we find solace in these troubling times when we're forced to choose between our culture's Judeo-Christian morality and our own idiosyncratic humanity? I for one am turning to Blues Clues whose own pop icon brand of edu-humor is particularly relevant in our post-Crazy Beautiful-Pearl Harbor-Gangs of New York stupor that grips the nation by the gonads with the adamancy of an American Idol reject. Blues Clues alone can turn this sinking ship of state around, and I'm not just talking baseball.

BC knows the score. BC is all about doing what's right. He's suave, debonair, keeps his cool under the hot media lights, and he always has the answer. If BC had been the spokestoon of baseball 13 years ago, I guarantee Pete would be in the Hall right now and the wounds of the past would have been allowed to mend. Yet here we are, bogged in this quagmire of resentment and pain and all because of a few thousand dollars a day ($15,000 approximately) worth of illegal gambling. It's a shame we should suffer so much over something so small.

I respect Rose for his accomplishments, but let's be fair. You can't hold one man out to dry for his sins while others commit similar atrocities daily and still win MVPs, Cy Youngs and World Series rings. Let's even the standards.

Ultimately, why do we hate Pete Rose? Is it that he broke the law? Is it the 13 years of lies? Is it that he bastardized America's pastime? Is it because he made us realize that behind every Dr. Jekyll is a Mr. Hyde? No, I think it's because we want to feel superior to the greats. I think it makes us comfortable, if not ecstatic to say, "He may have gotten more career hits than me, but I never gambled or got banned from baseball."

Though my remarks earlier were probably construed as somewhat satirical, I do believe that there is a little bit of Pete Rose in all of us. We are all successful, phenomenal people, but as soon as they find that elusive eyewitness testimony, it's all downhill from there.

Don't blame the Refs.... It's not all their fault

By Mark Walker
Staff Writer

During this year's NFL playoffs, controversy has unfortunately overshadowed a series of great plays, great comebacks and great finishes. The controversy kicked off wild card weekend during the Giants-49ers game. Trailing by one with six seconds left, the Giants sent out their field goal unit to try a game-winning 41-yard field goal. Veteran long snapper Trey Junkin released his second poor snap of the game, which forced holder Matt Bryant to frantically scramble and to throw a prayer downfield. His pass was intended for Rich Seubert, who was an eligible receiver. Chike Okeafor interfered with Seubert as he tried to make the catch. The referees did not call pass interference because they thought that Seubert was an ineligible man downfield. The Giants did have an ineligible man downfield on the play, but it was guard Tam Hopkins, not Seubert. Therefore, an ineligible man penalty should have been called on Hopkins, and a pass interference call should have been made on Okeafor. As a result, the penalties should have been offsetting, giving the Giants another play.

As a Giants fan, I can say that it was unfortunate that the call was blown, but in no way should the Giants or their fans blame the officials for the loss. The Giants lost the game because of bad decision making, poor execution, stupid penalties and horrible clock management. The Giants should never have put themselves in a situation where a bad call could cost them the game.

It was unfortunate that the call was blown, but in no way should the Giants or their fans blame the officials for the loss.

It certainly was not the officials' fault that the Giants blew a 24-point third quarter lead. They got a little too content with the lead and foolishly went into the prevent defense, which never works! The Giants secondary gave Terrell Owens and the rest of the 49er receivers way too much of a cushion, and the 49ers took advantage, moving the ball downfield at will.

It was also not the officials' fault that Shaun Williams of the Giants made two of the stupidest penalties that I have ever seen. The 49ers were set to go for a two-point conversion to build a three point lead. Before the two-point try, the 49ers got a personal foul penalty, which would have forced them to try for a nearly impossible 17-yard two-point conversion. However, Williams retaliated and got a personal foul, which allowed the 49ers to go back to the 2-yard line.

The two-point try still failed, but Williams did not learn his lesson. Following the play, Owens got a personal foul for unnecessary roughness. Williams foolishly ran over and hit Owens back, creating offsetting personal fouls. Had Williams kept his cool, the 49ers would have had to kick off 15 yards further back. The Giants returned the kick to their own 48-yard line, so they could have conceivably been on the 49er 37-yard line had it not been for Williams' foolish penalty. Without the penalty, the Giants could have been in a position to score a touchdown rather than having to risk a field goal with their shaky kicking unit.

Many different miscues can be blamed for the Giants' loss, but the officiating should not take the blame. Any time a game comes down to the wire, there is a risk of a bad call impacting the outcome of a game. Officials are human, so mistakes must be expected. One missed call by an official does not have as big an impact as many mistakes by a team.

I have always been amazed by how strong the officiating is in the NFL. The pace of the game is so fast and so much happens on every play that it is inevitable that a few calls will be missed in the course of a game. However, in the course of a season, these bad calls will even themselves out. Still, on a whole, the NFL's referees do a superb job with knowing the rules and making the right calls.

Sports Statistics

Men's Basketball
Bucknell vs. Cornell 01/21/03

##	Player Name	TOT-FG	FG-FGA	3-PT FG-FGA	FT-FTA	REBOUNDS OF	DE	TOT	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
04	Boakai Lalugba.....	f 2-6	0-0	6-8		3	5	8	4	10	4	7	1	3	28
00	Davorin Skornik.....	c 2-3	0-0	1-2		2	3	5	4	5	0	2	0	1	15
05	Dan Blankenship.....	g 2-2	2-2	3-4		0	4	4	2	9	4	3	0	1	36
12	Kevin Bettencourt...	g 6-14	5-12	0-0		0	0	0	2	17	3	3	0	1	26
25	Matt Quinn.....	g 0-2	0-0	0-0		1	0	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	18
01	Ben Slater.....	1-2	0-0	0-0		0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	10
02	Chris Rodgers.....	2-3	1-2	0-0		0	1	1	4	5	1	3	0	1	26
31	Chris Niesz.....	3-10	3-9	0-0		2	2	4	0	9	3	0	2	2	21
42	Jordan Hardenbergh..	1-2	0-0	0-0		0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	1	8
44	T. Viaer-McClymont..	0-0	0-0	1-4		0	1	1	3	1	0	0	0	0	12
	Totals.....	19-44	11-25	11-18		9	16	25	20	60	17	20	3	10	200

TOTAL FG% 1st Half: 11-24 45.8% 2nd Half: 8-20 40.0% Game: 43.2% DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG% 1st Half: 6-13 46.2% 2nd Half: 5-12 41.7% Game: 44.0% REBS
F Throw % 1st Half: 5-8 62.5% 2nd Half: 6-10 60.0% Game: 61.1% 3

Men's Basketball
Bucknell vs. Navy 1/18/03

##	Player Name	TOT-FG	FG-FGA	3-PT FG-FGA	FT-FTA	REBOUNDS OF	DE	TOT	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
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00	Skornik, Davorin....	c 0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	4	0	1	1	0	0	0	9
02	Rodgers, Chris.....	g 4-12	1-4	3-4	0	2	2	3	12	4	3	0	2	36	
05	Blankenship, Dan....	g 4-6	2-2	1-2	0	1	1	4	11	0	2	2	0	0	32
12	Bettencourt, Kevin..	g 3-12	2-8	0-0	0	2	2	2	8	2	1	0	0	26	
01	Slater, Ben.....	2-3	0-0	0-0	2	0	2	4	4	0	2	1	0	19	
10	Webber, Roland.....	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	8	
21	Namvou, Jack.....	1-2	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	6	
25	Quinn, Matt.....	0-3	0-1	2-2	0	0	0	3	2	1	0	0	0	10	
31	Niesz, Chris.....	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	2	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	
42	Hardenbergh, Jordan.	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	2	2	3	2	0	0	0	1	5	
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3-Pt. FG% 1st Half: 2-5 .400 2nd Half: 3-12 .250 Game: .294 REBOUNDS
F Throw % 1st Half: 1-2 .500 2nd Half: 7-10 .700 Game: .667 3

Men's Basketball
Lehigh vs. Bucknell 1/15/03

##	Player Name	TOT-FG	FG-FGA	3-PT FG-FGA	FT-FTA	REBOUNDS OF	DE	TOT	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
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25	Quinn, Matt.....	f 0-4	0-3	0-1	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	
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01	Slater, Ben.....	3-5	0-0	0-0	1	1	2	2	6	2	1	0	1	26	
02	Rodgers, Chris.....	1-3	0-0	0-0	1	1	2	4	2	1	2	0	0	21	
10	Webber, Roland.....	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	8	
31	Niesz, Chris.....	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	
44	Viaer-McClymont, T..	2-2	0-0	2-2	0	1	1	1	6	1	1	0	1	10	
	Totals.....	23-49	3-12	7-10	7	17	24	14	56	13	13	0	6	200	

TOTAL FG% 1st Half: 14-27 .519 2nd Half: 9-22 .409 Game: .469 DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG% 1st Half: 2-5 .400 2nd Half: 1-7 .143 Game: .250 REBOUNDS
F Throw % 1st Half: 2-4 .500 2nd Half: 5-6 .833 Game: .700 1

Women's Basketball
Bucknell vs. Navy 01-18-03

##	Player Name	TOT-FG	FG-FGA	3-PT FG-FGA	FT-FTA	REBOUNDS OF	DE	TOT	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
13	Almind, Desire.....	f 8-10	0-0	4-7	2	8	10	1	20	3	5	1	5	37	
20	Smith, Chelsea.....	f 0-2	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	4	0	1	2	0	0	22	
15	Geosits, Lindsey....	g 1-3	0-0	0-0	0	3	3	2	2	5	3	0	1	35	
23	Creamer, Molly.....	g 9-13	3-5	2-2	0	3	3	3	23	5	6	0	3	36	
32	Franks, Kate.....	g 7-13	5-7	4-5	0	4	4	2	23	5	7	0	2	40	
12	Barruet, Emilie.....	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
21	Hettler, Katie.....	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
31	Ketcham, Amy.....	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
33	Ruth, Jennie.....	2-4	0-0	2-4	2	2	4	4	6	0	1	0	1	18	
55	Edwards, Mary.....	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	4	0	0	1	0	0	9	
	Totals.....	27-46	8-12	12-18	7	23	30	20	74	19	25	1	12	200	

TOTAL FG% 1st Half: 14-37 .519 2nd Half: 9-12 .400 Game: .460 DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG% 1st Half: 2-5 .400 2nd Half: 2-7 .286 Game: .333 REBOUNDS
F Throw % 1st Half: 3-4 .750 2nd Half: 4-5 .800 Game: .778 2

Women's Basketball
Bucknell vs. Lehigh 1/15/03

##	Player Name	TOT-FG	FG-FGA	3-PT FG-FGA	FT-FTA	REBOUNDS OF	DE	TOT	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
13	Almind, Desire.....	f 2-11	0-0	1-1	1	5	6	2	5	1	0	2	0	36	
20	Smith, Chelsea.....	c 3-5	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	2	6	0	1	2	0	36	
15	Geosits, Lindsey....	g 4-10	0-2	0-0	1	7	8	2	8	4	3	0	3	37	
23	Creamer, Molly.....	g 11-25	3-7	10-11	2	3	5	3	35	8	3	1	1	40	
32	Franks, Kate.....	g 4-10	0-2	1-2	0	3	3	5	9	1	1	0	1	38	
21	Hettler, Katie.....	0-3	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	
31	Ketcham, Amy.....	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	
33	Ruth, Jennie.....	3-5	1-2	0-0	0	2	2	0	6	2	0	0	0	20	
55	Edwards, Mary.....	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	
	Totals.....	27-70	4-14	12-14	4	21	25	14	71	16	8	6	6	200	

TOTAL FG% 1st Half: 12-35 .343 2nd Half: 15-35 .429 Game: .382 DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG% 1st Half: 0-2 .000 2nd Half: 3-10 .300 Game: .250 REBOUNDS
F Throw % 1st Half: 2-2 1.000 2nd Half: 10-13 .769 Game: .800 2

Swimming and Diving
Colgate vs. Bucknell 1/18/2003

Event 1 Women's 200-Yard Medley Relay

School	Finals Points
1 Bucknell University "A"	1:50.98
1) Collins, Darby JR	2) Flick, Jamie JR
3) Binder, Meghan SO	4) Freese, Meghan SR
28.48 34.84 28.25 24.10	
2 Colgate University "A"	1:51.75
1) Garnett, Alice JR	2) Bourgeois, Sheri FR
3) Binder, Meghan SO	4) Zaika, Chrissy FR
28.84 31.72 26.73 24.46	
3 Colgate University "B"	1:55.43
1) Harwood, Emily FR	2) Cobb, Emily FR
3) Caffuri, Catherine SO	4) Del Prato, Kathrine FR
29.52 32.45 27.83 25.63	

Event 2 Men's 200-Yard Medley Relay

School	Finals Points
1 Bucknell University "A"	1:37.56
1) Kretzer, Mark	2) Saffos, Stelios
3) Carvin, Peter	4) Willats, Michael
25.62 27.12 23.37 21.45	
2 Colgate University "A"	1:37.97
1) Schierhold, Mike JR	2) Vuturo, Matt SR
3) Nichols, Brett SO	4) Hadley, James SR
25.88 26.42 24.96 20.71	
3 Bucknell University "B"	1:40.88
1) Feinthel, Christopher	2) Schwanhausser, Stephen
3) Deluca, Dean	4) Thieman, Jake
26.52 27.49 24.88 21.99	

Event 3 Women's 1000-Yard Freestyle

Name	School	Finals Points
1 Faas, Daniela	Bucknell	10:39.99
29.96 31.90 32.95 32.97 31.74 31.60 31.93 31.55		
31.68 31.77 31.72 31.93 32.09 32.11 32.50 32.75		
32.19 32.76 32.07 31.82		
2 Poda, Tricia	Bucknell	10:52.62
29.95 32.37 32.78 32.98 32.73 32.63 32.65 32.90		
32.87 32.74 32.69 33.07 33.06 33.00 32.79 33.13		
32.88 32.82 32.83 31.75		
3 Kern, Andrea	Bucknell	11:12.81
31.41 34.25 33.95 33.88 33.50 33.72 33.77 34.00		
33.69 33.84 34.09 33.86 34.07 33.89 33.97 33.88		
33.68 33.38 33.12 32.86		

Event 4 Men's 1000-Yard Freestyle

Name	School	Finals Points
1 McCoy, Kurt	Bucknell	9:59.59
28.07 30.04 30.50 30.63 30.80 31.01 30.87 30.01		
29.80 30.04 30.39 30.91 30.70 30.61 30.58 30.32		
29.69 28.89 28.13 27.60		
2 Derrick, Richard	Colgate Univ.	10:00.91
27.81 30.42 30.64 30.79 30.75 31.01 30.99 30.57		
29.84 29.77 30.27 30.44 30.55 30.75 30.47 29.88		
29.73 29.63 28.68 27.92		
3 Diaz, Gonzolo	Bucknell	10:22.00
28.19 30.54 30.85 30.93 30.65 30.84 30.71 31.18		
31.02 31.10 31.41 31.64 31.70 31.49 31.26 31.70		
31.84 31.71 31.68 31.42		

Event 5 Women's 200-Yard Freestyle

Name	School	Finals Points
1 Cancro, Jennifer	Bucknell	1:58.58
28.60 30.30 30.23 29.47		
2 Altman, Lectie	Bucknell	1:58.74
28.28 29.98 30.35 30.12		
3 Del Prato, Kathrine	Colgate Univ.	1:59.34
28.54 29.85 30.53 30.41		

Event 6 Men's 200-Yard Freestyle

Name	School	Finals Points
1 Binder, Todd	Bucknell	1:46.24
25.84 27.43 27.12 26.85		
2 Steadman, Brooks	Bucknell	1:48.49
25.20 27.05 27.99 27.15		
3 Marione, James	Colgate Univ.	1:48.68
25.50 27.98 28.02 27.18		

Event 7 Women's 100-Yard Backstroke

Name	School	Finals Points
1 Collins, Darby	Bucknell	59.92
29.81 30.11		
2 Garnett, Alice	Colgate Univ.	1:01.47
29.36 31.11		
3 Harwood, Emily	Colgate Univ.	1:02.31
30.53 31.78		

Event 8 Men's 100-Yard Backstroke

Name	School	Finals Points
1 Feinthel, Christopher	Bucknell	55.28
27.25 28.03		
2 Schierhold, Mike	Colgate Univ.	55.57
26.78 28.79		
3 Noel, Tom	Colgate Univ.	55.97
27.64 28.33		

Event 9 Women's 100-Yard Breaststroke

Name	School	Finals Points
1 Flick, Jamie	Bucknell	1:07.48
32.14 35.34		
2 Binder, Meghan	Colgate Univ.	1:08.12
31.63 36.49		
3 Capperelo, Melissa	Bucknell	1:10.98
34.17 36.81		

Event 10 Men's 100-Yard Breaststroke

Name	School	Finals Points
1 Vuturo, Matt	Colgate Univ.	58.37
27.11 31.26		
2 Saffos, Stelios	Bucknell	1:00.52
28.22 32.30		
3 Schwanhausser, Stephen	Bucknell	1:00.59
28.94 31.65		

Event 11 Women's 200-Yard Butterfly

Name	School	Finals Points
1 Feinthel, Jackie	Bucknell	2:11.06
29.73 33.09 34.19 34.05		
2 Dolan, Rebecca	Bucknell	2:13.66
30.56 33.65 34.81 34.64		
3 Scaringi, Vanessa	Bucknell	2:14.75
30.61 33.88 34.15 36.11		

Event 12 Men's 200-Yard Butterfly

Name	School	Finals Points
1 Kretzer, Mark	Bucknell	1:57.65
25.77 30.13 31.27 30.48		
2 Fisher, Ryan	Bucknell	2:01.32
26.95 30.64 31.46 32.27		
3 Diaz, Gonzolo	Bucknell	2:01.98
27.28 30.64 31.54 32.52		

Event 13 Women's 50-Yard Freestyle

Name	School	Finals Points
1 Freese, Meghan	Bucknell	24.40
2 Zaika, Chrissy	Colgate Univ.	24.65
3 Krakowski, Mary	Bucknell	25.45

Event 14 Men's 50-Yard Freestyle

Name	School	Finals Points
1 Hadley, James	Colgate Univ.	21.62
2 Carvin, Peter	Bucknell	22.05
3 Thieman, Jake	Bucknell	22.41

Event 15 Women's 100-Yard Freestyle

Name	School	Finals Points
1 Freese, Meghan	Bucknell	53.31
26.00 27.31		
2 Zaika, Chrissy	Colgate Univ.	54.13
25.97 28.16		
3 Del Prato, Kathrine	Colgate Univ.	54.96
26.65 28.31		

Event 16 Men's 100-Yard Freestyle

Name	School	Finals Points
1 Hadley, James	Colgate Univ.	48.00
23.41 24.69		
2 Carvin, Peter	Bucknell	48.48
23.09 25.39		
3 Willats, Michael	Bucknell	49.02
23.36 25.66		

Event 17 Women's 200-Yard Backstroke

Name	School	Finals Points
1 Altman, Lectie	Bucknell	2:06.71
30.16 33.83 32.28 32.40		
2 Collins, Darby	Bucknell	2:07.41
30.66 32.19 32.22 32.34		
3 Garnett, Alice	Colgate Univ.	2:11.86
30.55 33.29 34.12 33.90		

Event 18 Men's 200-Yard Backstroke

Name	School	Finals Points
1 Kretzer, Mark	Bucknell	1:59.44
27.97 30.10 30.96 30.41		
2 Schierhold, Mike	Colgate Univ.	2:01.40
28.20 30.40 31.81 30.99		
3 Feinthel, Christopher	Bucknell	2:01.71
29.22 31.93 30.99 29.57		

Event 19 Women's 200-Yard Breaststroke

Name	School	Finals Points
1 Flick, Jamie	Bucknell	2:26.44
34.36 37.95 37.54 36.59		
2 Binder, Meghan	Colgate Univ.	2:28.96
34.32 38.47 37.37 38.80		
3 Bontrager, Sheri	Colgate Univ.	2:30.17
34.71 37.96 38.65 38.85		

Event 20 Men's 200-Yard Breaststroke

Name	School	Finals Points
1 Schwanhausser, Stephen	Bucknell	2:10.69
29.90 32.81 33.77 34.21		
2 Schilling, Will	Bucknell	2:11.42
29.86 33.44 34.06 34.06		
3 Falkner, Marc	Colgate Univ.	2:14.70
29.95 33.37 34.89 36.49		

Event 21 Women's 500-Yard Freestyle

Name	School	Finals Points
1 Faas, Daniela	Bucknell	5:12.60
31.64 31.62 31.17 31.14 31.41 31.83		
31.26 30.82		
2 Cancro, Jennifer	Bucknell	5:17.52
30.03 32.05 32.03 31.81 31.88 31.75 31.77 31.99		
32.17 32.04		
3 Feinthel, Jackie	Bucknell	5:19.14
29.85 31.61 31.85 32.13 32.36 32.59 32.32 32.70		
32.34 31.39		

Event 22 Men's 500-Yard Freestyle

Name	School	Finals
1 Bauer, Todd	Bucknell	4:50.32
26.80 29.26 29.33 29.42 29.49 29.37 29.28 29.24		
29.12 29.01		
2 McCoy, Kurt	Bucknell	4:52.33
27.37 29.21 29.67 29.85 29.75 29.42 29.70 29.64		
28.98 28.74		
3 Derrick, Richard	Colgate Univ.	4:56.58
27.34 29.58 29.78 30.01 29.88 30.28 30.55 30.69		
29.55 28.92		

Event 23 Women's 100-Yard Butterfly

Name	School	Finals
1 Krakowski, Mary	Bucknell	58.95
27.52 31.43		
2 Binder, Meghan	Colgate Univ.	1:01.47
29.00 32.47		
3 Dolan, Rebecca	Bucknell	1:02.48
29.95 32.53		

Event 24 Men's 100-Yard Butterfly

Name	School	Finals
1 Hadley, James	Colgate Univ.	52.32
24.84 27.48		
2 Vuturo, Matt	Colgate Univ.	53.39
25.32 28.07		
3 Garvin, Peter	Bucknell	54.43
25.57 28.86		

Event 25 Women's 200-Yard IM

Name	School	Finals
1 Garnett, Alice	Colgate Univ.	2:12.33
29.65 33.06 39.35 30.27		
2 Colino, Darby	Bucknell	2:12.68
29.66 32.45 39.86 30.71		
3 Scaringi, Vanessa	Bucknell	2:15.93
29.97 35.44 38.79 31.73		

Event 26 Men's 200-Yard IM

Name	School	Finals
1 Nichols, Brett	Colgate Univ.	2:01.10
26.63 31.41 35.81 27.25		
2 Hallowell, Matt	Bucknell	2:01.56
26.74 31.61 35.34 27.87		
3 Falkner, Marc	Colgate Univ.	2:01.90
28.53 30.85 34.00 28.52		

Event 27 Women's 400-Yard Freestyle Relay

School	Finals
1 Colgate University 'A'	3:40.78
1) Del Prato, Kathrine FR	2) Erickson, Meredith SR
3) Gaffuri, Elizabeth SR	4) Zaika, Chrissy FR
26.63 55.03 26.61 55.99 26.69 55.95 25.42 53.81	
2 Bucknell University 'A'	3:44.85
1) Cancro, Jennifer	2) Wild, Erica
3) Altman, Lectie	4) Freese, Meghan
27.49 57.38 26.56 56.32 26.69 55.55 26.21 55.60	
3 Bucknell University 'B'	3:49.04
1) Reed, Lauren	2) Rado, Tricia
3) Gibson, Robin	4) Poda, Tricia
28.69 1:00.47 27.16 56.07 27.34 56.25 27.00 56.25	

Event 28 Men's 400-Yard Freestyle Relay

School	Finals
Colgate University 'A'	3:17.89
1) Marione, James FR	2) Nichols, Brett SO
3) Jachno, Greg SO	4) Vuturo, Matt SR
24.29 49.79 24.37 50.65 23.35 48.95 23.33 48.50	
2 Bucknell University 'A'	3:19.19
1) Steadman, Brooks	2) Bauer, Todd
3) Thieman, Jake	4) Willats, Michael
24.75 51.54 23.59 49.91 23.00 49.59 22.33 48.15	
3 Bucknell University 'B'	3:19.71
1) Cole, Brian	2) McCoy, Kurt
3) Saffos, Stelios	4) Deluca, Dean
24.36 50.33 23.84 49.95 23.51 49.70 23.68 49.73	

Men's Indoor Track & Field
Penn State Octagonal 1/18/03

Team Rankings - 18 Events Scored

1) PSU	170
2) Cornell	111.5
3) Rutgers	84
4) La Salle	56
5) Villanova	53
6) Syracuse	51.5
7) Bucknell	50
8) St. Francis (PA)	44
9) Howard	34
10) St. Joseph's	30
11) MD-Eastern Shore	16

Men's 3000-Meter Run

	Name	Yr	School	Finals
1	Bitok, John	JR	Syracuse	8:22.72
2	Dombroski, Dan	JR	Cornell	8:24.33
3	Johnston, Bryan	SR	Bucknell	8:26.98

Men's 1000-Meter Run

	Name	Yr	School	Finals
1	Lincoln, Matt	SO	P S U	2:26.45
2	Furst, Eric	SR	Bucknell	2:27.78
3	Maloney, Andrew	SO	St. Francis (Pa)	2:28.02

Men's 1-Mile Run

	Name	Yr	School	Finals
1	Hahn, Ian	SR	P S U	4:11.76
2	Rosetti, Brian	SR	St. Joseph's	4:12.00
3	Palma, Lou	SR	Bucknell	4:13.37

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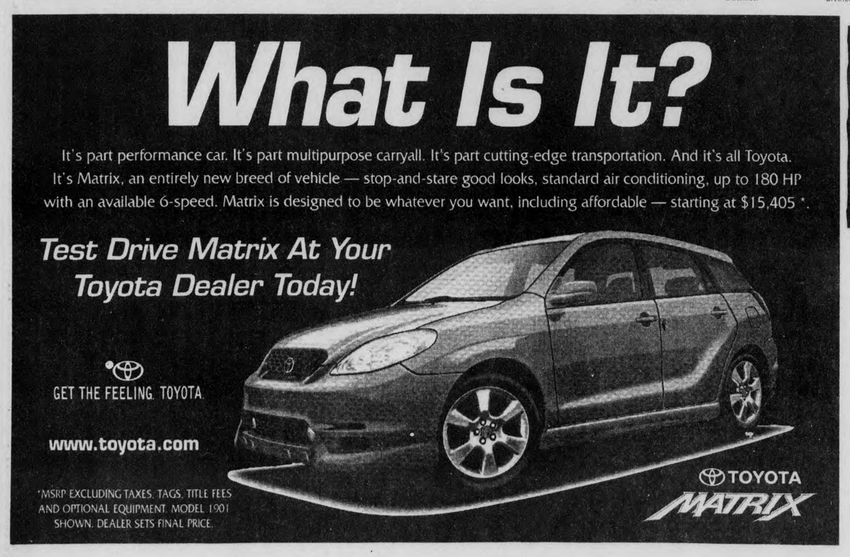
3) Syracuse	76
4) Rutgers	74
5) Villanova	68
6) Bucknell	48
7) Howard	46
8) St. Joseph's	35
9) La Salle	21
10) St. Francis (PA)	19.5
11) MD-Eastern Shore	10

Women's 60-Meter Hurdles

	Name	Yr	School	Finals
1	Ramsey, Caitlin	SR	Cornell	9.01
2	Mosley, Merili	JR	Cornell	9.02
3	McDonald, Kiley	SO	Bucknell	9.16

Women's 500-Meter Run

	Name	Yr	School	Finals
1	Calvo, Amy	SO	Bucknell	1:15.01
2	Brown, Shonda	SO	Cornell	1:15.55
3	Cosnett, Holly	SO	Villanova	1:16.95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Sports

Men's swimming tops Colgate

By Lauren O'Connor
Staff Writer

The Bucknell men's swim team topped the Colgate Raiders 173-127 on Sat., Jan. 18 in the Lineberry Natatorium, bringing its record to 3-2.

"The team looked strong against Colgate. Our training trip always allows us to swim much faster second semester than first, and we certainly capitalized on this strength" said Stephen Schwanhausser, a senior on the team.

The Bison started the meet by winning the first four events, and by the end of the day the team collected a total of eight first place finishes. The 200 medley relay team, made up of Mark Kretzer '06, Stelios Saffos '03, Peter Garvin '04, and Michael Willats '04, finished the race in 1:37.56. Kurt McCoy '03 won the 1000 freestyle in a 9:59.59. Bucknell struck gold again in the next two events, the 200 freestyle and the 100 backstroke, with good performances by Todd Bauer '06 (1:46.96) and Christopher Feinthel '03(:55.28).

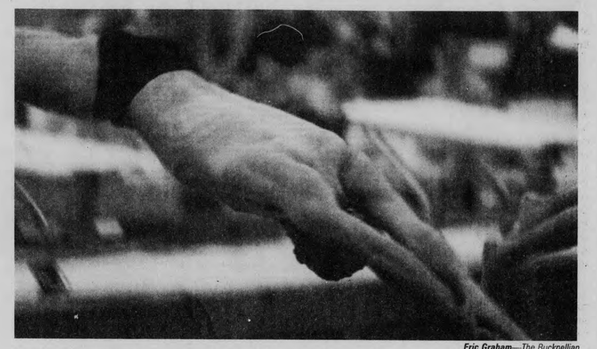
Saffos, Schwanhausser, and Will Schilling '06 led the Bison to a 2, 3, 4 finish in the 100 breaststroke. Bucknell swept the next event, the 200 fly; Kretzer led the team in a 1:57.65. He was followed by teammates Ryan Fisher and Gonzolo Diaz '03. In both of the sprint events, the 50 freestyle and 100 freestyle, Garvin placed second.

Kretzer won his third race of the day in the 200 backstroke in a 1:59.44. In the next two swims, the Bison went with Schwanhausser (2:10.69) and Schilling (2:11.42) in the 200 breaststroke and Bauer (4:50.32) and McCoy (4:52.33) in the 500 freestyle. Garvin captured the bronze in the 100 butterfly in :54.43. Matt Hallowell '04 had a second place finish in the 200 individual medley. Another silver medal was earned by the 400 freestyle relay team of Brooks Steadman '06, Bauer, Jake Thieman '05, and Willats in a 3:19.19.

"We were at full strength for the first time this semester and were able to dominate the meet beginning to end," first-year swimmer Todd Bauer said.

After winning against Lafayette on Jan. 11, 162-136, and Colgate, the men's swim team now looks ahead to Lehigh on Feb. 1.

"I'm really looking forward to the end of the season. We have a large senior class who I believe will contribute much as a unit, and the combination of a talented freshman class and strong sophomores and juniors will really help us this year," Schwannhausser said. "Looking towards my last dual meet as a Bison, I am filled with excitement; we use our performance against Lehigh as an annual gauge of our preparedness. I think we are ready and these next few weeks should hold much excitement in our new pool."



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

The Bison men stormed to victory over Colgate, 174-127, on Jan. 18. The win moved the team's record to 3-2.

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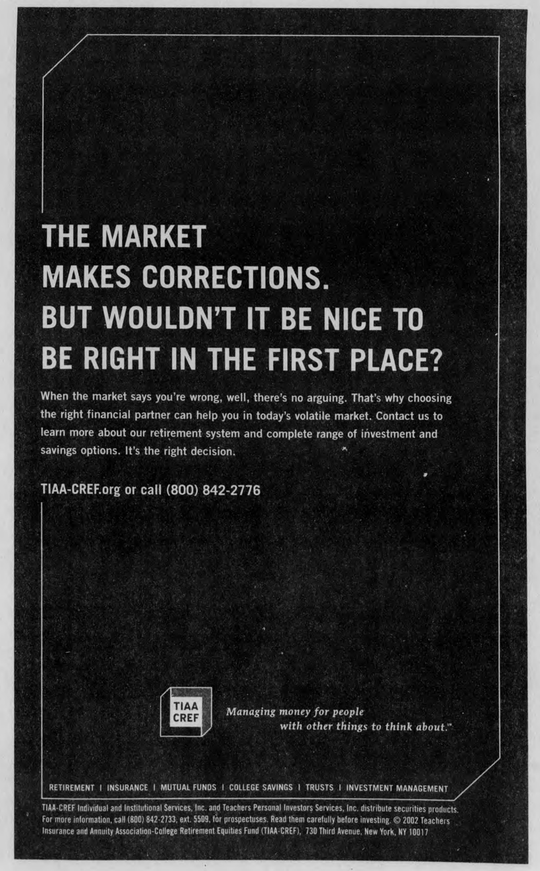
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If one were to make a quick list of the world's favorite composers, despite his relatively recent vintage (he's only been dead for a century) Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky would certainly make the list. After all, he composed *Swan Lake*, which is perhaps the most famous ballet of all time. And there certainly can't be more than a handful of ballet companies that don't stage a production of *The Nutcracker* every Christmas.

Fig. 1 Pollen

Causes watery eyes. Much like Tchaikovsky's composition "Romeo and Juliet."

And why not? Indeed, this great Romantic composer should be so immortalized. As a young man, he quit a secure government job — at enormous risk and against his father's advice — in order to pursue a career in music. His mild temperament combined with his tendency to work too hard left him with terrible insomnia, debilitating headaches and hallucinations. On top of that, Tchaikovsky's composition teacher never liked his work, even after he became world-famous.

Setbacks such as these could have finished a lesser man. Instead, they informed his work, which remains some of the best loved in history. Yet some children still confuse Tchaikovsky with a nasal spasm.

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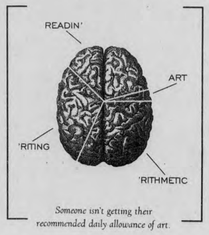

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Sports

Women's basketball drops close Patriot League battle to Lehigh, but bounces back to beat Navy

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receive the ball in good position, and even more work to keep your opponent from doing this."

Bucknell took advantage of the new arena's energy early to build a 26-20 lead with 7:57 left in the half. The Bison suffered a terrible scoring drought that spanned nearly 13 minutes before finally notching a field goal with 15:44 left in the second half.

With the scoreboard showing the team down by as many as 20, Bucknell showed its championship heart and never say die attitude as they used the final 3:27 of the game to mount one of the greatest stretches in Bison basketball history. Lehigh was leading 65-46 before Creamer took over the game by scoring 14 unanswered points, including two huge three pointers with multiple Mountain Hawk defenders in her face. The Orange and Blue defense responded to her effort and swarmed Lehigh's attack, making key steals and refusing to let its offense advance the ball past half court. Creamer continued to dominate by scoring the next five points of the contest and brought Bucknell within three, 65-68. The run ended in heartbreak as Lehigh converted 6-6 from the free-throw line to seal the victory and spoil the comeback.

Creamer also had a big impression on the record books as her 35 points set a school record for most career 30-point games and also helped her to set a new career conference scoring record of 2,078 points. The young frontcourt of Smith, Mary Edwards '06, and Jennie Ruth '06 held its own against Tierney, limiting here well below her season average in points, but surrendered 17 rebounds to the Lehigh standout.

The players enjoyed playing in the new 4,000-seat Sojka Pavilion.

"Playing in the new arena was really exciting," Creamer said. "It is big and beautiful, but still has an intimate feel like Davis, which is really a nice combination. I feel very fortunate to have played in Davis and now in Sojka; it's like the best of both worlds."

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Chelsea Smith '06 is poised for action during the contest against Lehigh. Smith scored three field goals for the Bison during the game.

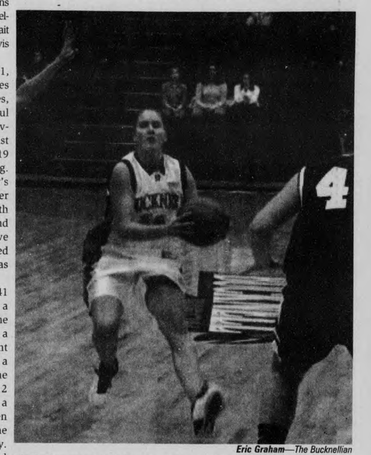
Bucknell lost a nail-bitter 75-74 to American University in the last women's game ever played at Davis Gym on Jan. 11. Fittingly, the game was close throughout giving fans and players one last feeling of intimacy, a trait synonymous with Davis Gym.

In the final 5:31, there were four ties and six lead changes, including two foul shots by Almind, giving Bucknell its last lead, 74-73, with 19 seconds remaining. American University's Katryn Costenbader sank a jumper with three seconds left and a desperation heave by Creamer bounced off the backboard as time expired.

Creamer scored 41 points, including a perfect 16-16 from the foul line, and added a career-best eight steals. Almind had a tremendous game with 19 points, 12 rebounds and a career-high seven steals in her first game back from a leg injury.

The Orange and Blue throttled Air Force 85-69 to boost their record to 5-6 on Jan. 2. Bucknell used a 23-4 run over the final 11 minutes to secure the victory. Creamer scored 30 points and added 11 assists for her second double-double of the season. Franks tallied 24 points to surpass the 1,000-point barrier with 1,014 career marks.

Bucknell overwhelmed Akron 64-49 to claim third place at the St. Peter's Holiday Classic Dec. 30. The Bison stampeded out of the gates with a 23-0 run and never looked back as they broke out of a three-game losing streak and improved to 4-6.



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Molly Creamer heads for the basket against Lehigh on Jan. 15. On Jan. 4, Creamer reached the 2,000 career points mark.

Creamer led all scorers with 19 points and was later named to the All-Tournament team. Creamer has now received hardware from every regular season tournament she has participated in during her collegiate career. Katie Hettler '04 helped the Orange and Blue with a career-best seven rebounds and seven points and Edwards notched a season-high 13 points.

Bucknell fell to Long Island University 66-51, dropping its record to 5-7 Jan. 4. The Lady Bison could not buy a bucket as 11 points was the closest they came to the Blackbirds en route to shooting a dismal 19 percent in the second half. The one highlight Bucknell took from the game was that Creamer scored 20, placing her over the 2,000 career points plateau.

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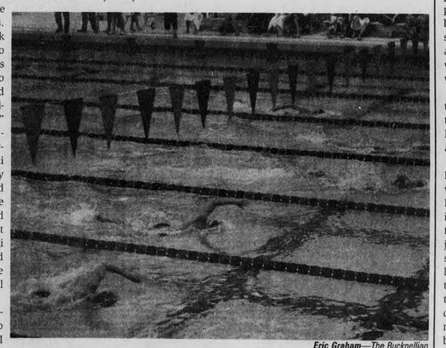
stepped up once again to win the 100 in a time of 59.92 and finished 2nd behind Altman (2:06.71) in the 200 for a 1-2 finish. The stroke group turned over wins in both the breaststroke events as well, as Flick finished the 100 in a time of 1:07.48, and the 200 in 2:26.44. These performances coupled with her addition to the medley relay earned her the Patriot League swimmer of the week honors.

"I was really fired up to walk into Colgate's pool and be able to perform so well," Flick said. "It is always a long trip up there and to dominate them the way we did was really exciting, I think it really took the wind out of their sails."

The women were unbeatable once again in the butterfly events as Krakowski (58.95) and Captain Becky Dolan '03 (1:02.48) finished 1st and 3rd in the 100 and the team of Feinthel, Dolan and Vanessa Scaringi '06 swept the 200. Golino and Scaringi ended the meet with second and third place finishes in the 200 individual medley to seal the win.

"After a lot of hard training we were really able to believe in ourselves and I think that is what brought this win. The team is highly prepared and the end of this season is shaping up to be triumphant," Assistant Coach Judson Aungst said. "Look for the Bison as they compete in their final dual meet against Lehigh at home on Saturday, Feb. 1.



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

The Bison compete at the Kinsey Natatorium on Jan. 11. They will compete in their final dual meet on Feb. 1 when they square off against Lehigh.

HOOPS

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the Bison were not able to get an official attempt at the basket.

Bucknell shot 43 percent from the floor and converted on a season-high 11 of 25 three pointers, but was plagued by 20 miscues. Cornell shot 46 percent and won the battle of the boards 33-25. It was the first time this season that Cornell had won a game after trailing at the half. The Big Red was 0-8 prior to the victory, but 5-0 when leading at the intermission.

The Bison return to the hardwood tonight for a 7:45 affair with Army at the brand new Sojka Pavilion. Bettencourt is confident that perseverance is the key to a quick turnaround.

"In order to snap the losing streak I think the team just has to continue to work hard and we'll snap out of it," Bettencourt said. "I think the most important thing is that we remain confident and stick together. I think we just need to be patient and relax offensively. I think because we have been losing some games that everyone is trying so hard offensively to make things happen that we are all trying to do a little too much. I think once we relax and find a rhythm again we will be fine."

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FEATURES

Harry Potter craze hits the nation and University

British author J.K. Rowlings' publisher announces fifth book in the bestselling series will be released June 21

By Alyson Walker
Features Editor

The fifth book of the Harry Potter series by British author J.K. Rowlings will be sold at bookstores starting June 21, according to an announcement by Rowlings' publisher last Wednesday. "Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix" hit the top of the bestsellers list only two hours after it was available to pre-order, according to Amazon.com.

A statement from both Britain's Bloomsbury Publishers and Scholastic Children's Books of the United States revealed very little about the plot of the 255,000-word book, which is one-third longer than the fourth book, "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire."

All that was revealed to Potter fans were a few quotes, including the opening lines of the book, "The hottest day of the summer so far was drawing to a close and a drowsy silence lay over the large, square houses of Privet Drive. ...The only person left outside was a teenage boy who was lying flat on his back in a flowerbed outside number four."

The publishers also tantalized fans by releasing this line from Hogwarts School headmaster Albus Dumbledore, "It is time ... for me to tell you what I should have told you five years ago, Harry. Please sit down. I am going to tell you everything."

Fans have been quite anxious to read the next book in the seven-book series that was originally anticipated for release last year. One American fan paid over $45,000 for a card with 93 words on it describing the plot of the book, including "Ron," "broomed" and "sacked," according to CBS.com.

Booksellers are also eagerly awaiting the book, and some chains are even planning special celebrations. Barnes & Noble will remain open on Friday, June 20 and begin selling the book at midnight.

Other sellers are excited for the impending sales, following a lackluster holiday season.

"It's an emotional lift, something to drive business and put books back in the news," said Carl Lennertz, publisher and program director of BookSense, a national marketing campaign for independent bookstores in the United States, to CBS.com.

It certainly appears that the book will increase sales. Amazon.com declined to share how many books have been pre-ordered, commenting only that it is over one hundred times the number of advanced sales for the fourth book, according to MSNBC.com.

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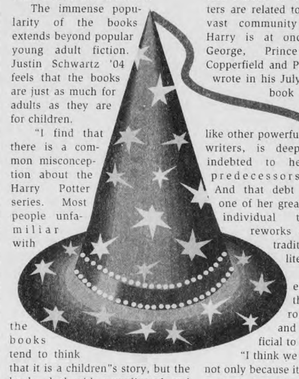
> ***—Justin Schwartz '04***

The first four Harry Potter books remain on bestseller lists globally. The books have been published in 55 languages and sold in over 200 countries, according to CBS.com. The first two books, "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" and "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets" have both been made into movies by Warner Bros. and grossed more than $1.7 billion combined.

The immense popularity of the books extends beyond popular young adult fiction. Justin Schwartz '04 feels that the books are just as much for adults as they are for children.



"I find that there is a common misconception about the Harry Potter series. Most people unfamiliar with the books tend to think that it is a children"s story, but the books deal with complicated and challenging issues," Schwartz said.

These issues are discussed by University students who are enrolled in Studies of Children's Literature. They read the first Harry Potter book as part of their curriculum. Professor of English Michael Payne discusses the popularity of the books in his book review of "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire" and Rowlings' impact upon children's literature.

"Perhaps the most lasting value for young readers of these books is the way they provide an understanding of how the world of literature works. In that world characters are related to each other in a vast community of the word. Harry is at once Beowulf, St. George, Prince Hal, David Copperfield and Peter Pan," Payne wrote in his July 8, 2000 Sunday book review column. "Rowling, therefore, like other powerful writers, is deeply indebted to her predecessors. And that debt is one of her great strengths. Her individual talent actively reworks and revises the tradition of children's literature."

Students enjoyed reading the text in a classroom atmosphere and felt it was beneficial to the course.

"I think we studied the book not only because it is an example of contemporary children's novels, but also because it includes classic themes from many eras of literature and introduces them to children. For this reason, I appreciate it more now than I did simply as a fan," Lacy Gonzalez '04 said.

Another important aspect of the Harry Potter books is the interaction it creates between different people who experience the books.

"The community of the word enables us and our children to read in order to know that we are not alone. The millions of children (and adults) who will soon be talking about the details of Harry's latest adventures know this already," Payne wrote.

Many relate to the books because of the appeal of main character Harry Potter. The orphan is raised with his Muggle (non-wizard) aunt, uncle and cousin, unaware of his magical heritage, until his 11th birthday, when he receives an invitation to Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry. The series follows Potter through his years at Hogwarts and his adventures with different characters, including his close friends Ron Weasley and Hermione Granger, as he fights against the evil wizard, Lord Voldemort, who is responsible for the deaths of Potter's parents and the scar on Potter's forehead. Potter will be 15 in the fifth book.

"As he develops a mature command of his magical powers, which are a combination of his imagination, intellect and innate moral sense, Harry gets to know that the ultimate fulfillment of his own inner drive lies in his positive relationship with others," Payne wrote. "In fact, it is because he is young, incomplete and often mistaken that he is such an appealing and believable character."

Others find that the themes of the stories make them appealing.

"What I really love about these books is that they are truly easy to read and understand—it transports the reader into a complex and exciting new world without making the story too complicated and confusing," Schwartz said. "The main themes of the book are very interesting and fun to read. Whenever I was reading the books, I was truly interested in the story and could not wait to hear the rest of it."

Whether it's being used as a literary text in a course, or read just for fun, it is clear that Rowlings' characters have magically become popular, and they won't be disappearing any time soon.

Courtesy of Reuters

Author J.K. Rowlings arrives at the world premier of "Harry Potter and the Chambers of Secrets" in London. Warner Bros. also produced the first book in the series, "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone," into a movie.

Racquetball is hit with faculty and staff

By Julianna Pietak
Senior Writer

It's lunchtime and, in the Fieldhouse, a collection of University faculty, staff and coaches are exercising their athletic side in a way some of them have done for over 15 years. Present are Professor Dick Ellis and Wayne McDiffett from the biology department; Cark Kirby, an associate professor of geology; George Waltman from engineering; John Kline of the R.O.T.C. program; and even Mike Jolin from the athletics equipment room. These men, and other players, meet at lunchtime and Wednesday nights each week for their common interest, racquetball.

Racquetball is a fast game played in an enclosed indoor court. It was originally developed from a combination of handball and squash and can be played with two people in singles, four for doubles or teams of three. Balls can reach speeds of 185 miles an hour in this amazingly fast and sometimes painful sport.

"Racquetball is a sport that any two evenly matched people can enjoy," Jim Hostetler, director of construction and design faculties, said.

Rebecca Helt, the University men's and women's tennis coach, said this sport appeals as "a lifelong sport."

"It is an easy sport for anyone to pick up if you're looking for a fun but challenging sport to become involved in," Helt said.

Perhaps it is this appeal that has held some of the players at the University for so long and has helped them achieve in the sport. Participants range from Bob Kurtis, still playing at the age of 67, to Helt, one of the younger, yet still accomplished, players.

That these players are accomplished is apparent through their various titles and future goals. What Hostetler calls "the all-star Wednesday night crowd" has four first place doubles in racquetball tournaments to their credit, as well as several medals from the Keystone Games.

Just one month ago, Hostetler and Helt took home a statewide first place in mixed doubles.

Future goals for the group include competing in the highest tournament level, open, and even moving on to compete regionally and nationally.

With such awards and competitions also come memories, fond and otherwise. Hostetler tells of having to get stitches twice. On a more humorous note, he also relates one of his favorite games within the game of racquetball, that of challenging younger contenders who are unaware of his history and success in the sport.

Driving these players to this level of involvement is their love of the sport. Helt described it as "great exercise and a constant challenge to learn new strategy and improve every day."

Hostetler said that it is "the adrenaline release and psychic therapy after everything stressful that goes on every day" that keeps him going.

Both add to this that racquetball is simply a lot of fun.

These same players have tournaments on campus each year to which University students are invited and welcome. According to Hostetler, student participation has significantly dropped off in recent years.

"It is a sport that simply isn't recognized enough," Helt said.

Despite this, there are clinics available every semester for an introduction to racquetball and accessible equipment in the Fieldhouse on a daily basis. For Helt, Hostetler and all the other players, this sport provides not only a daily release, but a lifelong source of fun and competition. Outside of their diverse daily roles of professors, coaches and University staff, these players all share a common love for a sport they wish to share with others.

Eric Graham—*The Bucknellian*

Members of University faculty and staff relax after a hard racquetball workout. Members of the group enjoy the fun, yet challenging sport, and some have been playing for over 15 years.

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Abroad perspective in Sevilla, España

By Meghann Peace
Contributing Writer

Sevilla, España. A land of blazing sun and intense heat, with palm, orange and olive trees set against a brilliant blue sky. A land of soaking rains and bitter, cold winds. A city that still carries remnants of the great Muslim Empire that ruled there for over five centuries. Narrow, twisting streets that wind amid the whitewashed and ceramic-decorated walls of the medieval Jewish homes. Roman ruins and a glorious gothic Christian cathedral, the third largest in the world. The river running alongside streets packed with bars. The religious and secular fiestas that attract visitors from nearly every corner of the world. The fluid dance of the bulls and the toreros. The passionate whirl of flamenco and the rhythm of the guitar. Sevilla—a city with inexpressible charm and allure.

I was lucky enough to live in this incredible place. I spent a semester in Sevilla, the capital city of Andalucía, which is the southern region of Spain. My program, the Sweet Briar College Junior Year in Spain, brought together over 40 Americans from different universities to study in the Universidad de Sevilla.

We had classes with Americans, and we also had the option to take classes with Spanish students. I studied Spanish medieval history, Spanish contemporary culture, Spanish grammar and the history and theory of flamenco with Americans, as well as Spanish phonetics with Spaniards.

The living arrangements provided us with placements in Spanish homes. I lived with a Spanish woman and a roommate from my program. This was an invaluable experience; it exposed me firsthand to the Spanish culture. I was in a Spanish home with all of its intrinsic customs. I didn't just study the culture, I lived it in my daily life.

This, of course, goes without mentioning how much my Spanish improved after living for nearly four months with a woman who speaks no English. I might add that dorms, other than not being a means of cultural exposure, just aren't realistic housing options. This is because there aren't any. In Spain, young adults generally live with their parents until they marry, and this includes while they're attending the university. There is no need for dorms, so they simply don't exist.

I traveled extensively throughout Spain during my time there. It's a country of astonishing variety, in culture, landscape, art, music, history, food and even language. Barcelona, Madrid, Toledo, Granada ... they're completely distinct from each other, and they all have their own singular appeal. I visited these and others, some of the most diverse cities in the country, and I could talk about them at length. However, Sevilla was my home. I loved it, and I want to write about why I did.

I loved Sevilla for its people. The Sevillanos are among the friendliest people I've ever met. They love to meet people and learn about them, and they will talk with anyone about nearly anything. I had conversations with strangers in the streets about the ancient Romans and the weather of Sevilla. I had 3 a.m. discussions about Spanish medieval history with my taxi drivers. I customarily walked into a store and left a half an hour later, having bought nothing, but full of new information about daily life in Spain. My Spanish friends taught me everything from slang to Spanish soccer to their thoughts on being members of the European Union. Everyone was only too happy to speak with me and teach me. I studied Spain in the classroom, but I learned about it in the streets.

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> ***—Meghann Peace '04***

I loved Sevilla for its sense of fun. The city has a worldwide reputation for gaiety and excitement, and you really only have to spend one weekend there to realize this. Bars and discotecas are found in nearly every neighborhood, and there are some streets that are entirely devoted to them.

On any Friday or Saturday night, it is not at all uncommon to find throngs of people of all ages and nationalities crowding the streets until 5 or 6 in the morning. Some nights, it seems as if the entire world has come to Sevilla to enjoy itself.

The street life in Sevilla is not something that happens only when the sun has set. During the day, one of the best things to do is to grab a seat at a sidewalk café or one of the many heladerías (ice cream shops), and people-watch.

One of the most pervasive customs in daily Spanish life is the paseo. The paseo is nothing more than a stroll around town, without a specific destination, and with no other purpose than to see and be seen. Giggling groups of teen-age girls, couples of every age, young mothers with baby strollers, businessmen on their lunch break, dog walkers, entire families ... if you stay in one place long enough with your coffee or your ice cream, there's no telling who or what you'll see.

I loved Sevilla for its history. We, as Americans, have a completely different concept of time than do the Europeans. What seems like an eternity to the average American is, to the sevillanos, barely a blink in the passing of the ages. When the Iberian Peninsula was a part of the Roman Empire, Sevilla was even then a city of importance. The peninsula then fell to the Visigoths, and three centuries later, it became a part of the Muslim Empire. Five centuries after that, it was taken by the Christian Reconquista.

Following the Middle Ages, it saw the dawning of the Spanish Empire. In this past century alone, it has experienced tremendous political upheaval, in the shift from a monarchy to a republic to a civil war to a dictatorship and finally to the current parliamentary monarchy.

Throughout this long and rich history, the Jewish and gypsy people have always lived in and influenced Sevilla. In the face of the different civilizations, cultures and people that have been there, the city of Sevilla has been forever maintained. To walk through this one city and see the footprints left by all of these people is to walk through over 2,000 years of history.

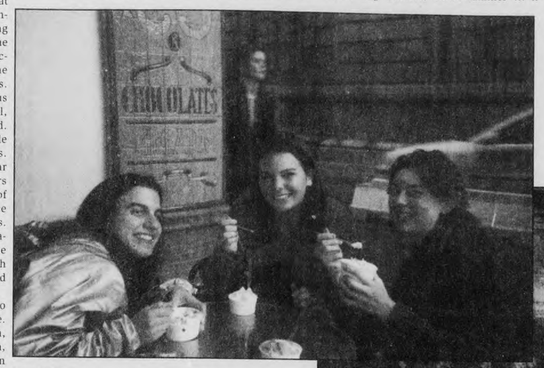
I loved Sevilla for its beauty. I crossed the Guadalquivir River every day to walk into town, and I often stopped on the bridge to gaze out over the water. I saw the palm trees and shrubbery that lined the river's course, and I could glimpse the already famous for its gothic architecture and sheer size, has one truly unique characteristic. It was built on the site of an old Muslim mosque. Although its builders destroyed much of the mosque, a small portion has survived. If you walk out a certain door in the cathedral, you will find yourself not in the streets, but in a patio of orange trees.

In the patio is the Giralda. The Giralda is the minaret of the old mosque, and it soars even higher than the cathedral, dominating the skyline. This Christian cathedral and its Muslim tower are symbols of the city.

When my parents came to visit me in Sevilla, we went to the roof of their hotel, where there was a balcony from which it was possible to see the city. The sun had set, and twilight was just falling. We turned around, and there we saw them. The cathedral and the Giralda, rising gracefully above the rooftops, lit and shining golden against the darkening sky. As we stared in awe at this vision, the silence was broken, as every bell in the Giralda began to ring. The sound resonated and vibrated through the velvety evening air, and I loved Sevilla more than I had ever loved it before.

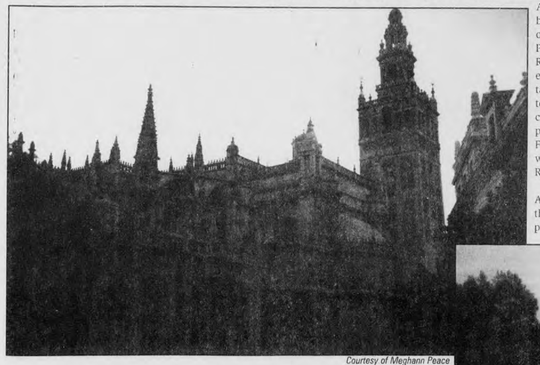
This was my semester. I had the great opportunity to live in Sevilla among these marvels and with such fascinating people. I was able to devote almost four months to learning Spanish, studying the history and the culture of the country, and falling in love with my city.

It changed my life, more than I can ever describe, and I know that someday I will return to Sevilla. You see, I don't just want to do this, I have to. I need to go back because I left something of mine in the city. I left a part of myself in Sevilla, and there it will always remain.



Courtesy of Meghann Peace

Top: Peace's friends enjoy their ice cream at a *heladerías*. Sitting at a sidewalk cafe and people-watching were some of Peace's daytime activities. Bottom: Peace admires artwork in Sevilla. She spent the semester studying history and culture of Spain.



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Sevilla's cathedral is known for its gothic architecture and sheer size. It was built on the remains of an old Muslim mosque, part of which, the Giralda, still stands.

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The view from the bridge includes the Muslim tower fortress, la Torre del Oro. Peace's trips into Sevilla included crossing the Guadalquivir River.

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Golden Globe winners announced

Motion Picture

Best Motion Picture (Drama)
"The Hours"

Best Actress (Drama)
Nicole Kidman
"The Hours"

Best Actor (Drama)
Jack Nicholson
"About Schmidt"

Best Motion Picture (Musical or Comedy)
"Chicago"

Best Actress (Musical or Comedy)
Renée Zellweger
"Chicago"

Best Actor (Musical or Comedy)
Richard Gere
"Chicago"

Best Director (Motion Picture)
Martin Scorsese
"Gangs of New York"

Best Screenplay
Alexander Payne & Jim Taylor
"About Schmidt"

Courtesy of Reuters

Meryl Streep and Nicole Kidman smile after winning their Golden Globe Awards. The winners of the awards were revealed last Sunday night, live on NBC.

Best Supporting Actress
Meryl Streep
"Adaptation"

Best Supporting Actor
Chris Cooper
"Adaptation"

Television

Best Television Series (Drama)
"The Shield"

Best Actress (Drama)
Edie Falco
"The Sopranos"

Best Actor (Drama)
Michael Chiklis
"The Shield"

Best Television Series (Musical or Comedy)
"Curb Your Enthusiasm"

Best Actress (Musical or Comedy)
Jennifer Aniston
"Friends"

Best Actor (Musical or Comedy)
Tony Shalhoub "Monk"

Best Mini-Series or Motion Picture Made for Television
"The Gathering Storm"

Best Actress (Mini-Series or Motion Picture Made for Television)
Uma Thurman
"Hysterical Blindness"

Best Actor (Mini-Series or Motion Picture Made for Television)
Albert Finney
"The Gathering Storm"

Courtesy of cnn.com

Crane sings vocal variety

By Julianna Pietak
Senior Writer

Sunday night, Rachel Crane gave a rich and beautiful performance at her senior music recital. The pieces ranged in character from dramatic to lyrical to whimsical and humorous, but all were performed in a pleasing and professional manner.

The recital began with Francesco Mancini's "Mentre il cor si stilla in pianto," translated to "while my heart distills in weeping." This was a sad and not too heavy piece. With a change in songs came a change in mood as well with the next Italian song, "Mio cor, non sospirar," by Geminiano Giacomelli. This piece spoke of a sighing heart and, as such,

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had a lighthearted air, featuring many vocal melismas and runs. The final song in this set of Italian pieces was the heavier and dramatic "Rendimi il figlio mio," a mother's song of pleading by Leonardo Leo.

Following these three was a set of four shorter songs by French composer Franz Liszt, each set to lyrics by Victor Hugo. These ranged from the slow and lyrical "Oh, quand je dors" beginning the set, to the very expressive and rich "Enfant, si j'etais Roi," which closed this collection of songs. All were performed in a rich and expressive manner.

The first half of the performance was finished with Puccini's "Donde Lieta" from "La Boheme." This piece had many characteristics typical of the operatic style, with an almost conversational tone and the piano imitating the voice.

After a brief intermission, Crane returned to perform a set of German songs by Hugo Wolf. These began with the short and romantic "Verborgenheit," followed by the more playful, yet still expressive "In dem Schatten meiner Locken." "Verschwiegene," the third song in the set of five, was short yet filled with beautiful and colorful harmonies. This was followed by the heavier "Nimmersatte Liebe," and finally finishing off the set was the lighthearted and mischievous "Ich hab' in Penna einen Liebsten."

Staying true to the playful style of the preceding movement, Crane ended her program with a set of songs by Leonard Bernstein titled "I Hate Music (A Cycle of Five Kid Songs)." Each featured a text seemingly taken out of an elementary school journal and filled with child-like thoughts and humor. Musically, these classical sounding pieces played with atonality and interesting harmonies, furthering the expressive yet humorous air.

After the official program had ended, Crane returned with a cute and expressive encore featuring the thoughts of a "princess" and a "prima donna, donna, donna." Throughout the entire evening's program, Crane's performance was not only well executed and professional, but entertaining and highly enjoyable as well.

"Joe Millionaire" strikes it rich

By Kristi Johnston
Senior Writer

With the multitude of reality shows to choose from these days, it is hard to distinguish one from another. "Star Search" and "American Idol" are back, "The Bachelorette" has made its way onto television screens and the next "Survivor" is just around the corner. Amid all this confusion, it's a wonder anyone bothers to watch reality television at all.

Enter "Joe Millionaire," FOX's latest spin on the dating game. The concept of the show is similar to that of "The Bachelor"—one single man is introduced to 20 single women, and the fight for the marriage certificate ensues. "Joe Millionaire" has a twist—the women think they are meeting a man worth $50 million, when in fact, he has less money than they do.

Evan Marriott, "Joe Millionaire," is a construction worker who purportedly makes $19,000 per year. He eats fast food, had never ridden a horse and looks more like your average Joe than a millionaire. All this is kept secret from his potential brides, who arrive at a French chateau they think he owns, witness him ride in on the token white horse and attempt to impress him wearing designer gowns he supposedly provided.

During the debut episode, Marriott was introduced to the 20 hopefuls and spent time with each of them at a classy ball. Not a lot of interaction ensued, considering he had to eliminate eight women immediately.

In episode two, Marriott went on "dates" with the remaining women in groups of four. After these dates, Marriott narrowed down the pool to five remaining candidates. After Monday's show, that number was again reduced.

While "Joe Millionaire" has been one of the most watched shows on television since its debut, most of the gossip surrounding the show is directed toward its star. Entertainment Weekly reports that, before entering the world of construction, Marriott worked as an actor, a model and even a professional wrestler—a fact that the show's producers withheld from viewers. He also paid rent on a California home worth over $1 million, though he no longer lives there.

All this leaves viewers with an impression of "Joe Millionaire" that is unclear at best. But it is not what Marriott is really worth that makes this show so intriguing. "Joe Millionaire" is unique in the reality realm because the winner has a choice—will she choose penniless Marriott or walk away? Is it even possible for these women to get to know the real Marriott? No matter what, there is little doubt that America will be watching to find out.

Students run musical revue

"Musicals of the '60s and '70s" is Saturday in LC Forum

Adam Wilcox—The Bucknellian

Cap and Dagger students practice with accompanist Rae Purcell '05 for "Musicals of the '60s and '70s." The revue is this Saturday at 8 p.m. in the LC Forum.

By David Allen
Staff Writer

Cap and Dagger, the University's student-led theater company, is presenting a musical theater revue entitled "Musicals of the '60s and '70s" this Saturday at 8 p.m. in the LC Forum. Auditions for the revue were held in October. Director Kim Klauder '05 was pleased at the auditions.

"All students who tried out received a part," Klauder said.

Sara Bradley '04 and Tim Wojton '03 assisted Klauder. Accompanists for the revue are pianists Colin Aherne '05 and Rae Purcell '05.

Three scenes and three songs will be presented from each of the following musicals:

"Jesus Christ Superstar," featuring Kyle McGee '03 and Aherne; "Camelot," featuring Sarah Houck '06 and Amir Sadaghiani '03; "Grease," featuring Jason Klechka '03 and Miriam Sincell '06; "Godspell," featuring Melissa Milanak '03 and Matt Baker '05; and "They're Playing our Song," featuring Klechka '03 and Klauder.

There are 24 Cap and Dagger members involved in the production, including the directors, coreographers and accompanists.

Jenevieve DeLosSantos '06, a featured singer in "Jesus Christ Superstar," said she has thoroughly enjoyed her experience with the musical theater production, and she hopes that the prospect of "seeing some of the University's most talented students," will entice people to come to the performance.

"The entire thing is student-run, and I think that shows how dedicated students can be," she said. "I think it's going to be a great show."

"Chicago" is a unique movie experience

By Jess Cortese
Senior Writer

At 20 years of age, it was impossible for me to see the 1975 musical "Chicago," so I will make no comparison of the movie to the stage production. It's OK though, because this creation of Rob Marshall's is no stage production. In fact, it's not even a movie—it's an explosion of light, sound and legs that is dizzying to the mind and dazzling to all other senses. It's truly an experience.

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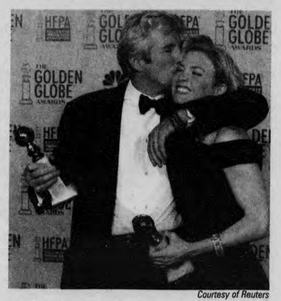
This experience takes place in Chicago in the 1920s, a world of darkness and crime where the law is a circus and Billy Flynn (Richard Gere) is its ringleader. The performer Velma Kelly (Catherine Zeta-Jones) is the opening act, both of the film and the circus, after she kills her sister and husband because they are having an affair. Roxie Hart (Renée Zellweger) is an adorable blonde firecracker who kills her lover and tries to have her unsuspecting husband (John C. Reilly) take the fall. Hart's legal needs upset the balance between Velma and Billy. Loads of singing and dancing ensue.

Roxie steals the press, the hearts of the people of Chicago and the attentions of the prime slick-talking lawyer again and again from Velma. But, whether or not Zellweger steals the show from Zeta-Jones is a whole other question. While both Zellweger and Gere give surprisingly apt and entertaining performances, Zeta-Jones has the perfect combination of dark, attention-hungry greed and pure star quality in her numbers. You can almost feel Velma's desperation to make it.

Reilly gives another notable and quite surprising performance as Amos Hart, a cuckolded husband who keeps coming back for more abuse. An average man ignored by his wife and those around him stands out amid the flash and glitter of the larger numbers in his simple rendition of "Mr. Cellophane." He is just part of what makes "Chicago" a jazz sensation that no one should miss. This production really has it all.



Courtesy of Reuters

Richard Gere and Renée Zellweger accept their Golden Globe awards for "Chicago." The movie also won Best Motion Picture (Comedy).

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Wild Thornberries (PG) 6:20 Matinees: 1:45 & 4	**Just Married (PG-13)** 6:30 & 9:15 Matinees: 1:30 & 3:45
Gangs of NY (R) 8:30 Matinee: 5	**Catch Me if You Can (PG-13)** 6:20 & 9 Matinees: 12:15 & 3
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Good Luck John hospitalized

By Rachel Laskow
Senior Editor

John W. Throssel Jr., know as Good Luck John to the University community, was taken to Evangelical Community Hospital in an emergency services vehicle on Monday.

According to Mail Services Supervisor Art Moser, with whom Throssel has lived for the past 14 months, Throssel, 72, was not feeling well on Saturday night, Sunday and Monday morning. Moser said Throssel's behavior was not normal and that he very rarely misses church at Beaver Memorial United Methodist Church on 3rd Street.

Throssel was not able to stand up and admitted that he needed help. Moser believes that social services at the hospital will be able to aid Throssel.

"Hopefully they will be able to find a place for him to stay that will give him the help he needs," Moser said.

Doctors at the hospital have been helping Throssel stand and regain his strength. When the doctors offered him help, Throssel remained optimistic.

"I have to prove to myself that I can do it," Throssel said.

Throssel kept his sense of humor when the doctors noted he had a tough time getting on his feet.

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> —***Ann Kline**, secretary of Administrative Services*

"Are you talking figuratively?" Throssel asked.

Throssel also admitted that the hospital food was delicious, but candy bars are still his favorite.

"I better have three [candy bars] in my pocket. They're wonderful," Throssel said.

According to Ann Kline, secretary at Administrative Services, Throssel's health has been slipping for a few months now, especially with his walk and talk.

"From all I gathered from my daily talks with John, when he was able to come to campus, he thought he was going to be banned from campus, and I do think that was the start of his decline," Kline said.

Throssel has been visiting the University for the past 40 years, and is often seen walking on Route 15 and Market Street.

"The students really accept him and stand with him," Moser said.

In his hospital room, Throssel was holding a get well card from two

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Hunt Hall welcomes home sororities

Sororities move into building that receives first facelift since being built in 1928

Dan Fellon—The Bucknellian

Hunt Hall renovations were completed during winter break (above left) and sorority members moved in after break (above right).

By Meghan Fox
Staff Writer

On the second weekend of January, the University's Panhellenic women opened the doors to the newly renovated Hunt Hall, the official home of the University's seven sororities.

Immediately inside Hunt's doors is a white wall with each sorority's Greek letters plated in gold. Lined in wood framework, the lobby now contains an elevator and a red carpet that leads to a formal room.

"It's beautiful! It's like an old-fashioned hotel," Delta Delta Delta sister Samantha Berthod '04 said.

According to Dean of Students Richard Ferraro, although building renovations typically occur over the summer months, that would not have provided enough time for completion of the $3.8 million project.

"Hunt had not been renovated since it was built in 1928," Ferraro said, still recalling the green shag carpet that lined its floors when he first came to the University. "The heating was outdated and the pipes were banging."

The restoration of Hunt Hall began after Commencement last spring and was completed in January, shortly before students arrived back on campus for the spring semester.

"It was a pretty aggressive schedule. We were cutting it pretty close," Ferraro said.

Nevertheless, everything was finished according to plan.

"We redid all the systems, including the heating and cooling, and we kept a lot of the woodwork and the fancy wood trim," Ferraro said.

New additions also include an elevator, an informal room in the basement and a formal room on the main floor.

The formal room is furnished with couches and chairs and includes a dance floor and fireplace.

"It's a really nice area to have events in," Assistant Director of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs Shauna Irwin said.

Sororities will be able to rent out the room for formal occasions and conferences may also be held there.

Throughout the rest of the building, each sorority is situated in its own wing.

"All of the suite rooms were redone and every corridor has been decorated in a choice of colors by the sorority," Irwin said.

The Greek symbols of each sorority also hang above the doorways of their respective wings.

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Aaron DeRosa—The Bucknellian

IFC/Panhel presents Million Penny check

Interfraternity Council and Panhellenic Association Philantropy Chairs Janet Serafin '04 and Evan Gropper '04 presented a check for $11,213 to Carol Barrett, a representative from United Way of Union County, at the men's basketball game on Friday evening. Following the check presentation, Panhellenic Council President Jennifer Mellon '04 and Vice President Meredith Atkinson '04 presented the basketball team with flowers, thanking them for helping the sororities move back into Hunt Hall.

Multiple thefts reported over break

By Jim Leahy
Senior Writer

Many students returning to campus following winter break were greeted with some unwelcome news. After opening their rooms in several residence halls around campus, they discovered that some valuable items were missing. Students are finding that their rooms are no longer completely safe and the University is racing to ensure this does not happen again.

In last week's *Bucknellian*, there were 27 incidents reported in the Public Safety Log. Of these incidents, 14 were thefts and there were several other trespassing incidents as well. The residence halls where thefts took place included Kalman-Posner in the Gateways, Trax Hall, Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, Bucknell West, Swartz Hall, Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity, Kress Hall, Kappa Delta Rho Fraternity, Vedder Hall and McDonnell Hall.

Residence hall rooms are never completely secure, even when students are in residence. Students frequently leave rooms unlocked and unattended for long periods of time and windows on ground floors open when they are not in the room.

In a telephone survey conducted last semester for Assistant Professor of Mathematics James H. Wright's Statistics 216 class, Kelsey Eagan '05, Kyle Menghetti '03, Kaitlin McGirl '05 and Phebe Taylor '05 reported that 34 precent of downhill residents, 20 percent of uphill residents, 93 percent of Bucknell West residents and 60 percent of Gateway residents do not lock their doors during the day. On average, students only lock their doors from one to five and a half hours during the day and two to six hours at night.

Officially, Public Safety blames several factors on the increased theft rate over the winter break. These factors included residence hall room doors and windows being left unlocked, fraternity members entering and exiting their houses with keys during the break, continued construction projects around the campus, illegal entries into rooms using keys and residents remaining in the halls as other residents went home for break early.

Public Safety also maintains that its officers "checked and locked all the buildings on campus at the beginning of the break, checked them throughout the break and issued advisories about securing rooms during the semester."

Director of Public Safety Vincent DeCerchio insisted that this year's increase in thefts is primarily due to student error.

"Too many students do not lock their doors or windows. Locking doors and windows is the first step towards good security. Residents should also place their valuables in an out-of-sight location and insure all valuable items against theft," DeCherchio said.

He also suggests that students "purchase a small foot locker for their room and lock valuables in this when they leave, or to even bring smaller items of value home with them." Students should also "consider purchasing renters' insurance for any of their items of value or place these items—as a rider—on their homeowners' insurance policies."

Students can also do several other things to keep their valuables secure. They should maintain a list of serial numbers and other identification information for their valuable possessions. Cash and other jewelry should be kept out of sight and any other valuable personal items should not be left on desks or on dressers during breaks. These items should be hidden well.

When asked about possible security improvements during break periods, DeCerchio said that the University and Physical Plant are looking into ways to make sure keys are only in the hands of the right people. They are considering creating a higher level of accountability for staff who have access to the residence halls and monitoring those facilities to make them more secure.

DeCerchio would not comment specifically on the progress of any investigations into the string of thefts.

"We are actively investigating these thefts. With proper evidence, we will prosecute and terminate any person or persons responsible for these acts," DeCerchio said.

The rash of thefts over break is not unusual.

"We have always had some thefts over breaks, mostly in unsecured areas or rooms. I am still uncertain as to why we had more this year. We are seeking to examine all our security measures during break to see how we can improve them in the future."

ISR continues improving systems

By Matt Ellis
News Editor

The University's Information Services and Resource Center (ISR) made multiple changes over winter break to improve the network and Internet capabilities, as well as the security of the campus' Internet systems.

The two major changes were an expansion of the University's wireless service and a changing and protection of everyone's logon password.

Currently, Dana Engineering, Bertrand Library, the Bison, Bostwick Dinning Hall, 7th Street Café, the Writing Center and Olin 475 are wireless.

"Over time we expect to increase the number of places on campus where wireless networking is available. We began with a small pilot project last spring that involved a couple of locations on campus and a small number of users," Bryan Hoyt, director of technology integration, said. "Over the course of this spring, we will be working with the campus community to identify keys areas of the campus for the next round of growth in wireless coverage. We hope to begin the next round of expansion later this spring or over the summer."

Wireless connections allow speed, convenience and portability to any student or faculty member that has a supportable wireless card.

"Wireless network connections are shared connections and generally slower than 'wired' connections," Hoyt said. "However, the vast majority of users who use the wireless network to read e-mail and browse the Web will not notice a significant difference."

To have a wireless connection, it is necessary to have a supportable network card.

"In order to use wireless you must have an 802.11b compliant wireless network card. Wireless network cards come in many brands and styles. ISR strongly recommends a Cisco Systems Aironet 350 Wireless card or an Apple Airport card using software version 1.3.1 or above. With these cards ISR will do everything we can to get them [students, faculty and staff] connected to the network," Hoyt said.

The Cisco Systems Aironet cards will be available through the University Bookstore, and Apple Airport cards are available online.

ISR is not looking to replace the current network system with a wireless system, but is instead looking to complement the current system with the new wireless system.

Wireless users do have to be more aware of security issues because a wireless connection is typically not as secure as a wired connection.

"Wireless users are encouraged to change their passwords often and be more cautious and aware of security issues. Wireless users should also understand that certain locations will have better connections than others because of the propagation patterns of the radios involved and interference from other radio transmissions," Hoyt said.

ISR also changed everyone's network passwords over break.

"Over the winter break a hacker was able to exploit a security weakness in the operating system on one of our servers and break into that server. In the process of breaking into the server, we believe this individual gained access to the password database which was

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Public Safety Log

Sunday, Jan. 19

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION, DISORDERLY CONDUCT, PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS AND TRESPASSING—Public Safety observed a male walking inside the closed New Recreation Center construction area. After stopping this person, who initially refused to give his name, the officer identified the person as a student. East Buffalo Township Police Department was called for assistance. Public Safety determined that the student was intoxicated, although under the age of 21 years. During the interview the student was verbally abusive to Public Safety and the East Buffalo Police Department officer and the student refused to be taken to his residence on campus. He was taken to Union County Courthouse to be arraigned before the District Justice. Citations for underage consumption, disorderly conduct, public drunkenness and trespassing were issued.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—A student reported to Public Safety that another student was sick inside the second floor men's restroom at Larison Hall. Upon arrival, Public Safety determined that the student who had been vomiting was intoxicated although under the age of 21. Citation issued for underage consumption.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) entered her unlocked room in Vedder Hall and fled out the window when she returned. The student reported that someone had gone through her belongings as well as her roommate's belongings and did damage a picture frame. The incident is under investigation.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—Public Safety discovered that unknown person(s) did damage the Recreation and Athletics Center groundbreaking sign outside the front of Davis Gym. The incident is under investigation.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student contacted Public Safety and requested transportation to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment of stomach flu. A Student Health Services driver transported the individual who later returned to campus.

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—A Resident Assistant reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) discharged a fire extinguisher at Swartz Hall. The incident is under investigation.

Monday, Jan. 20

INFORMATION / PHYSICAL PLANT CALL—Public Safety responded to Rooke Chemistry for a fire pump activation. Upon investigation, Public Safety located a water leak on the fourth floor of the Biology building. Physical Plant responded to repair the broken pipe and to clean up the water.

HARASSMENT BY COMMUNICATION—Two students reported to Public Safety that they received several unwanted telephone calls at their residence in Seventh St. House. The callers made lewd and obscene comments during the calls. The incident is under investigation.

INFORMATION / SUSPICIOUS PHONE CALL—An employee reported to Public Safety that she received a suspicious phone call on her office voice mail. The individual requested that no action be taken at this time except an investigation.

THEFT—An employee reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) did remove a University issued check from her office desk in the Langone Center. The incident is under investigation.

ASSAULT—A student reported to Public Safety that he was the victim of an alleged assault that occurred off campus. The individual received medical treatment at Student Health Services after which he was transported to Lewisburg Police Department to file charges.

Tuesday, Jan. 21

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) did remove his Texas Instruments Calculator from his Swartz Hall room. East Buffalo Township Police Department was notified. The incident is under investigation.

VANDALISM—An alumnus reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) sprayed graffiti on the basement floor at Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity. The incident is under investigation.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) charged retail items on his personal purchase account at the Bookstore without his knowledge or authorization. East Buffalo Township Police Department notified. The incident is under investigation.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student contacted Public Safety and requested transportation to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment of a rash. The Student Health Services driver transported the student who later returned to campus.

Thursday, Jan. 23

PEDESTRIAN STOP—While on routine patrol, Public Safety observed a female stumbling on the sidewalk. Upon investigation, Public Safety determined that the student was intoxicated and under the age of 21. Citations were issued for underage consumption and public drunkenness. Public Safety transported the individual to her residence in 23 University Avenue House and left her at the care of a friend.

THEFT—An employee reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed an Emglo Air Compressor and a Grizzly Brad Nail Gun from the Carpenter Shop.This occurred serval months ago. The incident is under investigation.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—An employee reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) broke two windows at Kappa Sigma Fraternity. The incident is under investigation.

Friday, Jan. 24

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student contacted Public Safety and requested transportation to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment of a stomach flu. A Student Health Services driver transported the individual, who later returned to campus.

INFORMATION / BROKEN WINDOW—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) threw a concrete block through a window at Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity. The incident is under investigation.

MISSING PROPERTY—A student reported to Public Safety that her cell phone was missing. The individual believes the phone was lost and not stolen.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—While conducting a routine party check at Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, Public Safety observed a male attempting to conceal an alcoholic beverage. Upon investigation, it was determined that the male was a student who had consumed alcohol although under the age of 21. A citation issued for underage consumption.

Saturday, Jan. 25

INFORMATION / DISORDERLY PERSON—R & P Security contacted Public Safety to advise there was a disorderly student who refused to leave the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity House. Public Safety responded and spoke to the student who then left the property without incident.

INFORMATION / MISSING PROPERTY —An RA reported to Public Safety that a fire extinguisher was missing from Vedder Hall. Public Safety replaced the extinguisher. No witnesses or suspects could be located in a search of the area. The incident is under investigation.

David Van Wagener '06 seriously injured during skiing accident

Photo courtesy of the Van Wagener Family

Family and friends continue to visit David Van Wagener '06 at Craig Hospital in Englewood, Colo. (above left) Van Wagener enjoyed taking advantage of all the outdoor opportunities such as climbing in his home state of Colorado. (above right)

By Jeff Day
Staff Writer

David Van Wagener '06 suffered a broken neck and damaged spinal cord after a skiing accident in Breckenridge, Colo., on Dec. 20, 2002.

According to a Web site posted by Van Wagener's family, it was immediately determined on the ski slopes that he was paralyzed from the shoulders down. Within 60 minutes of his fall, Van Wagener was airlifted to St. Anthony's Trauma Center in Denver. He was diagnosed with a crushed C4 vertebra and a broken C5 vertebra.

According to the Web site, "The combination of the C4 impact plus other swelling and contusions resulted in severe damage to the spinal cord in the C4/C5 area."

Van Wagener is currently being treated at Craig Hospital in Englewood, Colo.

"Surgery was done quickly to rebuild and fuse the damaged vertebrae. From that point, David began a journey of personal courage—helped by outstanding medical teams as well as support and prayer from many people all over the world," according to the Web site. "David is going at this injury with the same quiet determination that he has always exhibited. He faces significant challenges, but remains optimistic about his long-term potential."

The University is keeping track of Van Wagener's progress.

"David's attitude has been very courageous and inspirational throughout his recovery ... we are very optimistic that he will make a healthy recovery and return to school as soon as he can," Assistant Dean of Students Amy Badal said.

When students returned to school after winter break, Class of 2006 President Paul Wolujewicz sent out a notice to all first-year students that said Van Wagener was able to breathe on his own and had recovered some feeling in his chest, shoulders and biceps.

Individual students, the Class of 2006 as a whole and the entire campus community have rallied together to support Van Wagener's recovery.

The 2006 class officers recently sent Van Wagener a get well package that included a Bucknell blanket, compact discs and a sweatshirt.

In addition, hundreds of members of the first-year class wrote messages of encouragement and support on a large banner that was sent to Van Wagener last week.

According to Badal, a goal was established to send something to Van Wagener each week until he is able to return to campus.

"David had an outstanding first semester. He loved Bucknell and people loved him. We are hopeful that with great care from the hospital and David's determination, he will make a very substantial recovery. People are doing their best to keep David in their thoughts and prayers," Dean of Students Richard Ferraro said.

Friends of Van Wagener describe him as courageous, adventurous, determined and someone who we should all respect.

The Van Wagener Web site includes updates, messages and notes from friends and loved ones. The URL is: http://www.dbdoctor.net/david/.

Van Wagener also posts statements on the Web site.

"I am amazed by the interest and support from friends all over the world, including many of whom I have never met. Your concern and prayer help me keep climbing the hill," David wrote on his Web site.

"David has a rare combination of humor, intelligence, fortitude and caring that have been shaped by family, friends and travel. He has very diverse interests, including Chinese and Japanese, that were cultivated by spending eight of his formative years in Asia. At the end of the day, he is the rare scientist with a thirst for adventure, fun and camaraderie," according to the Web site.

If students wish to send a card or any other item to Van Wagener, they can simply drop it off at Badal's office, 211 LC. Postage and mailing will be provided by the school.

ISR

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stored on that machine, thereby compromising everyone's password," Hoyt said.

ISR said it takes every precaution necessary to secure the campus' systems, but with Internet attacks becoming more prevalent, they are also becoming harder to prevent.

According to the Computer Emergency Response Team at Carnegie Mellon University, the leading national center of Internet security expertise, between 1994 and 2001 reported Internet hacking incidents have increased from 2,340 to 52,658.

"The only sure way to protect ourselves from these hackers and other types of Internet attacks would be to greatly restrict the University's servers and network from being accessed from the Internet. However, we are an academic community and academic communities are founded on the principles of openness and access to information," Hoyt said. "Consequently, we are constantly trying to find the appropriate balance between accessibility and security. Or, put another way, we are continually trying to balance the culture of openness with the need to have the computing environment be secure."

An important part of making a computer secure is changing all passwords frequently. Often passwords can be easily stolen with keystroke-recording tools installed on machines or network traffic sniffing tools.

"We recommend that individuals change their password at least three times per year. When people change their passwords they should take measures to make that password as secure as possible," Hoyt said.

Guidelines for creating secure passwords can be found under the "Accounts and Passwords" link on the ISR home page.

S. Korea takes steps to stabilize N. Korean nuclear threats

By David LaRoss
Staff Writer

More than a month after North Korea began a standoff with the United States over its nuclear program, South Korea has stepped into a leading role to stabilize the situation. Those efforts have met with only marginal success—the three-day-long negotiations that ended Jan. 24 produced only a joint statement that said the two states will "cooperate toward a peaceful resolution to this problem."

An envoy from outgoing South Korean President Kim Dae-jung met with North Korean leaders Kim Yong Nam and Kim Jong-Il on Tuesday, according to the Associated Press. No details of the meeting have been released, except that it relates to "pending inter-Korean issues."

"North Korea kept contending that this nuclear issue should be resolved through dialogue with the United States," South Korean spokesman Rhee Bong Jo said to the Associated Press.

The United States has repeatedly refused to enter into direct negotiations with North Korea, instead pushing for the involvement of the U.N. Security Council.

"To refer the North Korean problem to the Security Council would be seen by North Korea as an attempt to put pressure on it," Russian Deputy Foreign Minister Aleksandr Losyukov said, according to the Associated Press.

He also said that economic sanctions—one of the chief weapons of the council—could be considered "an act of war" by North Korea.

"We believe that the problem that exists in North Korea is not a U.S.-D.P.R.K. [Democratic People's Republic of Korea] problem. Other nations are involved," Secretary of State Colin Powell said to *The New York Times*.

North Korea has repeatedly demanded a nonaggression treaty with the United States, often claiming that there are plans to begin a war against North Korea as an extension of U.S. action against Iraq.

The United States' standoff with North Korea is now nearly four months old. It began in early October, when North Korean officials told a U.S. delegation that their country had a covert nuclear weapons program—a statement that the North Korean government has consistently denied. In November, the United States, Japan and South Korea stopped sending the state oil, as per a 1994 agreement in which North Korea agreed to freeze its nuclear program.

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News

World Briefs

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Fed holds rates steady, citing geopolitical risk

With the possibility of war looming over the economy and stock market, the Federal Reserve left short-term interest rates unchanged at their lowest levels in more than 40 years on Tuesday. After a two-day meeting led by Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan, central bankers also left their monetary policy stance unchanged, saying the economic climate should improve gradually as the current "geopolitical risks" recede.

AOL Time Warner posts net loss

NEW YORK—AOL Time Warner Inc., the world's largest media company, Wednesday posted a fourth-quarter net loss after taking a $45.5 billion noncash charge for the decline in the value of its embattled America Online business and other assets.

Bush sells vision of hydrogen future

Using the national spotlight to sell a technology still foreign to most Americans, President Bush on Tuesday proposed a $1.2 billion program to help build the infrastructure needed to revolutionize the cars we drive. The goal is to replace the polluting internal combustion engine with battery-like fuel cells that run on nonpolluting hydrogen. But obstacles exist, and the long time frame has environmentalists worried that more immediate action will be ignored.

United States to track data for bioterror signs

ATLANTA—The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is developing a computerized network to gather a broad variety of information on illnesses to provide an early warning of a bioterror attack. The system would gather data on visits to doctors' offices and emergency rooms, drugstore sales and calls to poison control centers in major U.S. cities.

Study: Cell phones "blind" drivers

WASHINGTON—Drivers who use cell phones, even with a "hands-free" device, suffer from a kind of tunnel vision that endangers themselves and others, researchers said on Monday. Legislation that seeks to make mobile telephone use by drivers safer by mandating the use of a hands-free device may be providing a false sense of security, they warned.

Hundreds of doctors walk off job

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla.—Hospitals in the Palm Beach County area added to their emergency room staffs and rescheduled elective surgeries as hundreds of doctors protested rising malpractice insurance costs by staying off the job. More than 800 Florida doctors stayed away from work in protest Monday, as did a dozen doctors in Mississippi.

New reasons for eating organic?

SEATTLE—If you include organic foods in your holiday menu, you'll be in step with the latest food trends, according to industry polls. You may also be doing your children's health a favor. Parents who feed their children organically grown food can substantially lower the levels of pesticide residues to which their kids are exposed, according to a new study.

South Korean to lead U.N. health agency

GENEVA—A little-known tuberculosis expert from South Korea was selected Tuesday as director-general of the World Health Organization, promising more help for those worst hit by AIDS and other scourges.

Sleepy kids more prone to accidents

To wake parents up to the importance of snoozing, sleep experts warned Tuesday that seemingly energetic children who dodge bedtime for other activities are more prone to injury, poor school performance and crankiness. A tired child is an accident waiting to happen," said Dr. Carl Hunt, director of the National Center on Sleep Disorders Research at the National Institutes of Health.

A new trend in international education: abroad in Cuba

By Jason Oster
Staff Writer

It might come as a surprise to hear that more colleges and universities across the nation, including Bucknell, are starting study abroad programs in Cuba. When college students are deciding where they want to go abroad, many choose Western European countries. Countries that have maintained good standing with the U.S. government and are romanticized by the media are usually among the more popular choices for students, including the United Kingdom, France, Spain and Germany. Even when students decide to stay in the Western Hemisphere, Cuba has long been overlooked as an option. In a growing number of recent cases, this trend is changing.

Currently, the University International Education Office offers two options to students who want to travel to the only communist nation in the Western Hemisphere. One program is through Butler University, where students stay at the University of Havana. The University of Havana is the oldest and largest school in Cuba and hosts students from around the world. The other choice is via the School for International Training. Out of Havana, this program allows students to study with the University of Havana's Latin American Facility of Social Sciences.

According to a report by CNN, Cuba allowed 905 students to visit during the 2000-2001 academic year, which is a 64 percent increase from the preceding year. This number is expected to grow.

Peggy Blumenthal, the vice president of educational services at the Institute of International Education, said she believes that part of Cuba's attraction is mystique about a country that previously has been inaccessible to American students.

Last semester, Emily Park '04 opted to take advantage of this opportunity to go to Cuba, choosing to study at the School for International Training. The main obstacle in traveling to Cuba is receiving the U.S. government's approval.

"I needed to get a special visa through the Department of Treasury Office of Assets Control, which reinterpreted the rules of traveling in Cuba," Park said. "With the School for International Training, each individual needed their own license from the Department of Treasury. Some colleges provided it for their students going to this program."

Professor of Geography Paul Susman agreed that it is difficult to obtain all the paperwork for U.S. students traveling to Cuba. He said that the restrictions placed on U.S. travelers to Cuba are by their own government.

"U.S. citizens are prohibited from spending more than a limited amount of money per day and may not use credit cards in Cuba, although everyone else who visits Cuba from the rest of the world uses credit cards," Susman said.

Park did not share the fears that some would have about traveling to Cuba.

"I believe it is safe for Americans to travel to Cuba and I never sensed anti-American sentiment. The people were warm and welcoming. Cubans know there is a difference between the American people and the American government," Park said.

Susman, who also recently traveled to Cuba, agrees with Park.

"Tourism has grown significantly in recent years in Cuba and the Cuban government wants to ensure that it continues. I know of no safety concerns for visitors or students," Susman said.

Park said what struck her the most about the Cubans' pacifism is a picture she saw of Castro that read "Against Terrorism, Against the War." This comes from a country that takes in students from around the world and teaches them about rural health care for free. The only stipulation is that the students return to their home countries and use what they learned to help the less fortunate.

"There is a general pacifism among the people. Cubans are actually afraid that they are next on the Americans' hit list of the 'Axis of Evil,'" Park said.

Not everyone sees Cuba as a pacifistic country that is trying to make peace with the United States after embargoes placed on the island nation. Omar Lopez, a spokesman for the Cuban American National Foundation, a Miami based organization of anti-Castro exiles, told CNN that Castro is using U.S. students who travel to Cuba. According to Lopez, the Castro government is trying to place a "charm offensive" aimed at the United States with the intention of having the embargo lifted.

A growing number of U.S. educators and students find Cuba to be a peaceful and exciting archipelago that should be opened more to U.S. citizens. It still remains to be seen whether students will continue the recent trend, especially if the U.S. government continues to make it hard on those hopefuls who would like to study in Castro's Cuba.

Luck

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University students.

"Oh, I really do [miss the University students]," Throssel said.

Brandy Fetters '03 visited Throssel at the hospital.

"He has played such an integral role at Bucknell. He's been here since I was a freshman. I heard he was sick and wanted to pay him a visit because he is such an inspiration," Fetters said.

Kline enjoys Throssel's enthusiasm for life and his vision of going to Israel to start a ministry.

"John likes coming to the University because he loves being around students who want to make a difference in the world," Kline said.

Throssel still has faith and it is one of his goals to remove fighting throughout the world.

"I see the great God. He always says he'll never forsake me and never leave me. If you use your common sense and faith, you never have to worry," Throssel said.

Throssel said that people have to make it up in their minds that they are not going to fight and then move on.

"I'm not going to give up," Throssel said.

Throssel remembered the last *Bucknellian* article about him and asked for copies of the article to be brought to his hospital room.

"My sister asked, 'How did they cover that much ground in an article?'" Throssel said.

Before leaving, I said, "I have to go now and write an article."

"Are you writing another article? That may be the answer," Throssel said.

Throssel sang songs in his hospital room and as we left the room, said, "Good luck."

Hunt

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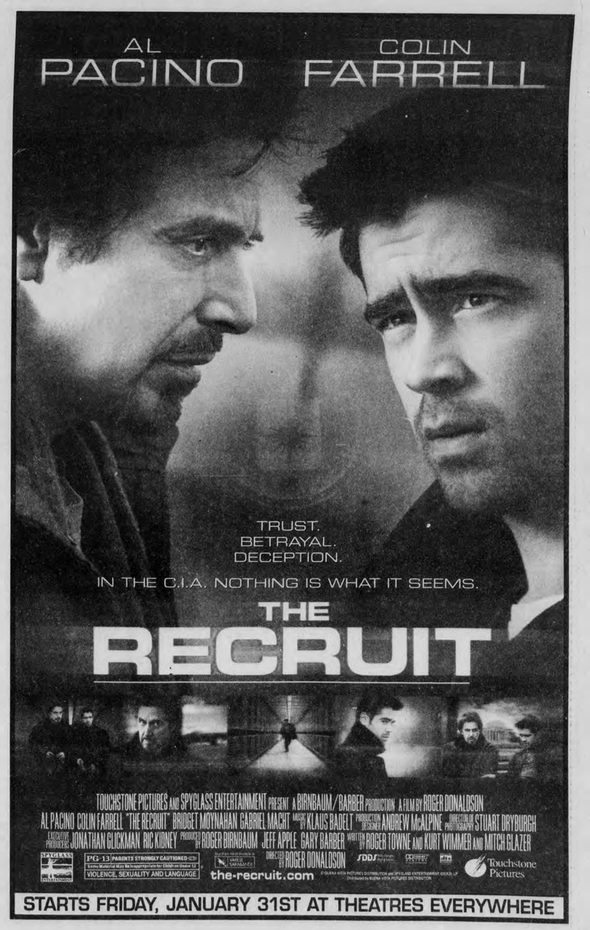
Berthod said this was a "major improvement" from the living arrangements of Vedder.

Irwin, also very pleased with the turnout, has announced an open house to be held on Feb. 7 from 2:30-4:30 p.m.

The open house will "show off the building and unveil it officially," Irwin said.

Refreshments will be available in the formal room and Panhellenic women will be present to give tours.



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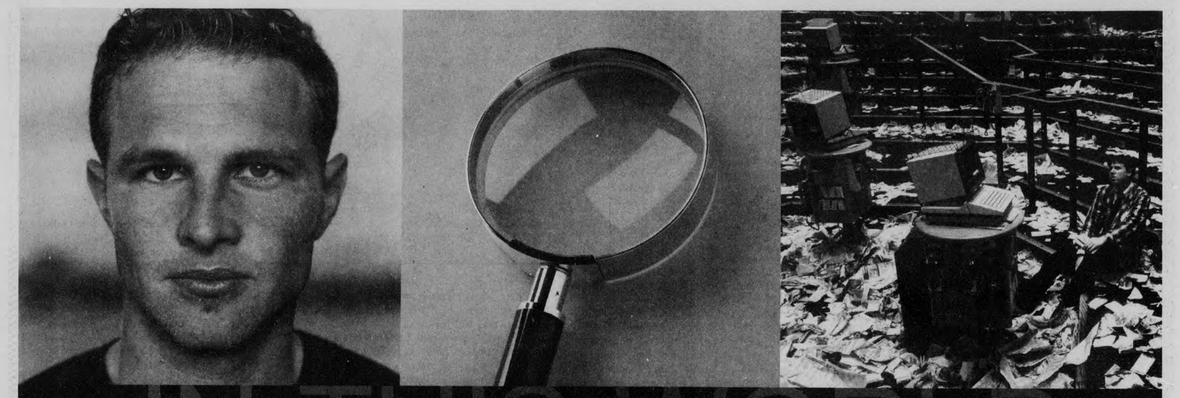

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News

University limits outside gym memberships

Pollock: University is looking at ways to allow memberships without taking away from student usage of the RAC gym

By Jennifer Jenchura
Senior Writer

A moratorium is currently in effect on all new memberships to the new Recreation and Athletics Center (RAC). The University is not allowing any new outside memberships, including 12-month, six-month or senior citizen, until it develops a fair pricing policy and resolves other issues including usage rates.

General access is monitored by checkers at the welcome station in order to evaluate student, faculty and staff usage of the RAC. A breakdown of the usage rates will help University administrators make any new decisions on outside memberships. The University now expects to implement any new policies in July 2003.

Although the RAC was designed primarily for student use, administrators realize the need to study the issue of increased demand for outside memberships. Due to the winter break and the limited amount of time students have been on campus between November and January, there has not been enough time to monitor student usage.

"We don't know now with any certainty that there will be a policy change. But we have known that we needed to study the issue since the RAC was first designed. One month or two, only in winter weather, does not constitute an adequate review period," Vice President of Student Affairs Charles Pollock '70 said.

Due to the increased usage of the RAC, a more accurate breakdown of peak times and users is still pending. Last week the average daily use was 1,900 people.

"Next month we will do a survey to get a breakdown by students (including student-athletes), staff, faculty, guests and outside members, etc., as well as times of usage. General access is monitored by the checkers/monitors at the welcome station. We also have a small fitness staff who monitor the actual fitness areas. We spot-check the number of people entering the RAC," Pollock said.

Although community interest in obtaining memberships to the RAC has increased since its opening last fall, a moratorium will be placed on new community memberships. The University renewed only memberships obtained prior to the fall 2002 semester.

Being a local University alumnus or alumna does not increase a community member's chances of receiving a membership either.

"There are 20 Bucknell alumni included among the 226 individual memberships, and six among our 31 family memberships. We also have a list of 567 senior citizens (over age 65) who are eligible to use our recreational facilities because of past use, but we estimate that only 80 of these people actually take advantage. I don't know how many are alumni. Incidentally, alumni are no different than anyone else in relation to obtaining membership, although their fee is only half of the non-alumni fee," Pollock said.

There are also no exceptions to the policy for local Lewisburg High School students, as only those who are dependents of Bucknell faculty and staff with a Bucknell ID are permitted to use the RAC.

Bucknell students and staff as well as community members with valid memberships will still be allowed to bring guests to the gym, as long as requested in advance.

The Town-Gown Committee has responded favorably to the current policy.

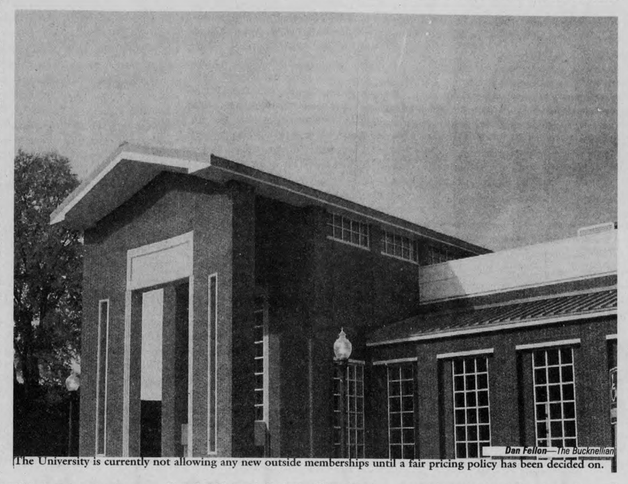
"When people understand that we are studying usage and getting answers to liability and other questions, all in order to protect the interests of our students, every single one has been supportive. They all hope we can find a way to continue to permit outside memberships, but then so do we. Still, we need more time to know," Pollock said.

University General Counsel Wayne Bromfield, Pollock and several members of the Department of Athletics and Recreation are doing most of the work on the membership issue. Safety, insurance liability and complex tax issues are also being worked out.

"When we have a recommendation, I will take it to the president and appropriate governance committees for their review," Pollock said.

The University is interested in finding out if it will be able to add any new memberships, not if it will have to decrease eliminate current memberships.

"We ask for everyone's patience as we work through these and other questions related to RAC memberships. We have no current intention to subtract memberships if we are not required to do so," Pollock said. "The main issue before us concerns our ability to allow additional memberships safely and without displacing our students, for whom the facility was built."



Dan Fellon—*The Bucknellian*

The University is currently not allowing any new outside memberships until a fair pricing policy has been decided on.

The current interim policy

-Outside members who were enrolled for the fall 2002 semester have been renewed for the spring 2003 semester at the previous six-month rate.

-A moratorium is in effect on all new memberships. The University is not allowing any new outside memberships (12-month, six-month or senior citizen) until it has developed a pricing policy and resolved other issues.

-Current lifetime members will continue to be allowed to use the Gerhard Fieldhouse. But those memberships will not be extended to the RAC until the University determines usage patterns and resolves related issues.

-College-age students from other colleges and universities will be permitted to use the University's athletics and recreation facilities during school vacation periods by showing a valid college/university picture ID to the front desk security monitor.

-Student, faculty and staff access remains unchanged and only dependents of Bucknell faculty and staff with a Bucknell ID are permitted to use the RAC.

Events Calendar

Jan. 31 FRI

The Bucknellian Features and A&E Interest Meeting
Roberts 08
3 p.m.

Hilltop Film Series: "I Vitelloni"
Vaughan Lit. Auditorium
4:30 & 8 p.m.

Shabbat Service and Dinner
Berelson Center
5:30 p.m.

Susquehanna Valley Mall Shuttle
Downhill LC
6 p.m.

Christians in Action "Primetime"
Taylor Hall Lounge
6 p.m.

"San Jose Taiko"
Weis Center
8 p.m.

Comedian: Mitch Fatel
Bison
9 p.m.

"Moulin Rouge"
LC Forum
10:30 p.m.

Open Mic Night
7th Street Café
11 p.m.

Feb. 1 SAT

Wal-Mart Shuttle
Downhill LC
3 & 6 p.m.

Susquehanna Valley Mall Shuttle
Downhill LC
3 & 6 p.m.

Anime Society Viewing
Gallery Theatre
3:45 p.m.

Catholic Mass
Rooke Chapel
5:30 p.m.

Murder Mystery Dinner
Larison Dining Hall
7 p.m.

"XXX"
Vaughan Lit. Auditorium
10:30 p.m.

Feb. 2 SUN

Quaker Services
Willard Smith Library
Vaughan Lit.
9:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Bishop Dattilo Interdenominational Worship Service
Rooke Chapel
11 a.m.

Episcopal Eucharist Service
Meditation Chapel
Noon

Bishop Dattilo Catholic Mass
Rooke Chapel
4 p.m.

Lecture: Buzz Spector
Gallery Theatre
4 p.m.

Senior Recital: Amanda Robie
Weis Music Building Recital Hall
7:30 p.m.

Feb. 3 MON

Zen Meditation
Rooke Meditation Chapel
4 p.m.

Agnes Denes
Samek Art Gallery
Projects for Public Spaces
Jan. 24 to April 6

Internships 101
Every Tuesday (Noon) and Wednesday (3:30 p.m.)
CDC

Feb. 4 TUE

Black History Month Speaker: Marwin Reeves
Rooke Chapel
7 p.m.

"Yiddle With His Fiddle"
Coleman 221
7:30 p.m.

Alpha Phi Omega Interest Meeting
LC Center Room
8 p.m.

Buzz Spector
Samek Art Gallery
Artist, Object, Installation
Feb. 2 to March 2

Feb. 5 WED

Qigong Classes
Walls Board Room
8 a.m.

"Lord of the Rings: Fellowship of the Ring"
Vaughan Lit. Auditorium
10:30 p.m.

Feb. 6 THU

Third World Film Series "The Greening of Cuba"
Coleman 151
4 & 7 p.m.

Alpha Phi Omega Interest Meeting
LC Center Room
8 p.m.

"the well"
Walls Lounge
8:30 p.m.

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The information on these events is subject to change. Some events are open to members of an organization only.

The sporting events calendar continues to run in the Sports section, this week on page B2.

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The Bucknellian Editorial

Recent robberies raise questions about campus security

Upon returning from winter break, students reported an overwhelming amount of theft to Public Safety. These reports were not isolated, as they affected the entire campus, including uphill and downhill dormitories, fraternities, the Gateways and the Mods. In many of the reports, the burglarized student claimed to have locked his or her door and window, which begs the question of how the rooms were entered.

The apparent disparity between robbery reports and supposedly secure rooms raises several safety issues on campus, especially since the locks on the outer doors of dormitories are changed over break and these buildings are supposed to be locked at all times.

Amid the discussions, or even controversy, of the "Bucknell family" and the safety of Lewisburg, several may take for granted the security of the campus. It is not uncommon to leave your books in the library and find them there several hours later, or even leave your door unlocked in comfort while taking a shower. This sense of security has become an expectation from the community, and any deviation from this would only be met by upset students and faculty. However, there are several possible solutions to remedy questions of campus security.

One such solution is installing a digital security system across campus, in which swiping of a University ID would allow entrance into all residential and academic buildings. Such a system would not only prevent unauthorized access, but also keep records of traffic through buildings. Furthermore, if the University really wanted to become "Big Brother," tracking sensors in ID cards could be used to monitor students' locations around campus. (Yes, this technology currently exists.)

Certainly students, and probably the University, would not want such an extreme campus security system. If implemented, the valued sense of community would be replaced with a "campus of fear" mentality. The University would be just another one of those campuses that students need a key card to enter any building. Fortunately, there are several intermediate measures that can be taken without such a drastic approach to security. These measures are the responsibility of both the University and students.

In a specific example from last week's Public Safety Log, windows appeared to be a common example of a burglar's entry point into a residence. Upon further consideration, it appeared that residence hall windows, generally speaking, are very susceptible to burglary. Whether it's windows in Roberts Hall, which have rotting frames and weak panes, or those in McDonnell Hall, which are extremely complicated and difficult to open or close, many of the windows have weaknesses that allow for relatively easy entry. All such windows should be immediately repaired, and, if needed, replaced.

Another possibility to limit theft on campus is to monitor the locking of residence halls more closely. While Public Safety does lock the halls at night, often one of the many entrances into a residence hall can be found unlocked, or even propped open with rocks.

Students also have a small but important responsibility in helping to limit theft on campus. Simple things like locking doors and windows and not propping outside doors could easily deter a burglar. And, in the case of a robbery, making sure that valuables are covered under homeowners' insurance or purchasing insurance on individual items are definitely worthwhile investments.

As members of this University community and residents of Lewisburg, we are fortunate to be in a unique and trusting environment in which we do not have to fear for the safety of ourselves or our possessions. It is our responsibility to maintain this environment by taking the precautions to preserve it.

Letter to the editor

Generosity impresses propective parents

To the Editor:

My wife and I recently accompanied our son Dan to Bucknell. A prospective college student, he was touring the campus and attending an interview. We had some free time on hand, and as it was noon, we decided to sample the food at the cafeteria. As we approached the register, the cashier asked us if the Admissions Office gave us a white discount card. After we replied that we did not receive one, a student waiting in line behind us offered to pay for our meals. She explained that she always has extra food credits at the end of the month, and they would only go to waste if we did not use them. We gladly accepted her generous offer and insisted that we reimburse her. However she said that the reimbursement was not necessary, and quickly went on her way.

This student's act of kindness reflects very favorably upon the character of the students at Bucknell and was very much appreciated by us.

Robert A. Heuer

State of the Union: the lost draft

A parody of what President George W. Bush meant to say last Tuesday in his address before Congress

By Peter Hackeman
Opinions Editor

Mr. Speaker, Vice President Cheney, members of Congress, distinguished citizens and fellow citizens, every year, by law and by custom, we meet here to consider the state of the union. This year, we gather in this chamber deeply aware of decisive days that lie ahead.

You and I serve our country in a time of great consequence. During this session of Congress, we have the duty to reform domestic programs vital to our country; we have the opportunity to save millions of lives abroad from a terrible disease. We will work for a prosperity that is broadly shared, and we will declare war on every country I don't like.

During the last two years we have seen what can be accomplished when we become bogged down in partisan bickering.

To lift the standards of our public schools, we achieved historic education reform, which must now be carried out in every school and in every classroom so that every child in America takes 147 standardized tests each year.

To protect our country, we reorganized our government and created the Department of Homeland Security, which is hopelessly complex and years away from being effective.

To bring our economy out of recession, we delivered the largest tax relief in a generation. It didn't work.

To insist on integrity in American business, we passed tough reforms, and we are holding corporate criminals to account, including some of my closest friends and advisers.

Some might call this a good record. I call it doing to America what I did to Texas. Tonight I ask the House and the Senate to join me in the next bold steps to serve our fellow citizens.

Our first goal is clear: We must have an economy that enriches the rich, pays lip service to the middle class and oppresses the poor.

Jobs are created when the economy grows; the economy grows when Americans have more money to spend and invest; and the best and fairest way to make sure Americans have that money is not to tax it away in the first place.

I am proposing that all income taxes be eliminated next year—all of them.

And under my plan, as soon as I've signed the bill, the government will stop providing many vital services to our citizens.

Lower taxes and greater investment will help this economy expand. More jobs mean more taxpayers and higher revenues to our government. As many of you know, the Republican Party and I have always wanted to raise government revenue.

A growing economy and a focus on essential priorities will be crucial to the future of Social Security. As we continue to work together to privatize Social Security, we must offer younger workers a chance to opt out of the system and leave our seniors without any help.

Our second goal is affordable health for all Americans. Americans should be able to purchase health at neighborhood convenience stores and local gas stations.

The American system of medicine is a model of skill and innovation, with a pace of discovery that is adding good years to our lives. Yet for some people, medical care costs too much, and many have no coverage at all. This does not concern me. These people are lazy and irresponsible; it's their own fault.

These problems will not be solved with a nationalized health care system that dictates coverage and rations care. Instead, we must work toward a system in which HMOs decide if it's profitable for patients to continue living.

To improve our health care system, we must address one of the prime causes of higher cost: the outrageous prices pharmaceutical companies charge for brand name medicines while preventing generic drugs from entering the marketplace. My stance on this issue may surprise my many pharmaceutical campaign contributors, but I've already gotten all the money I need from them.

Our third goal is to promote energy independence for our country, while dramatically eliminating the environment.

I have sent you a comprehensive energy plan to drill everywhere. If you won't let me drill in Alaska, we will continue down the list and drill in Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado and so on until the oil companies are happy.

I have sent you a healthy forest initiative to help prevent the catastrophic fires that devastate communities. Once the logging companies cut down all the trees in this country, forest fires will no longer be a threat.

Our fourth goal is to apply the compassion of America to the deepest problems of America. Americans are doing the work of compassion every day: visiting innocent prisoners on death row that I refuse to pardon, providing shelter for battered women and bringing companionship to lonely seniors.

Last year, I called on my fellow citizens to participate in the USA Freedom Corps. Unfortunately, no one called back to volunteer.

Tonight I ask Congress and the American people to focus the spirit of service and the resources of government on the needs of some of our most vulnerable citizens: boys and girls trying to grow up without guidance and attention and children who have to go through a prison gate to be hugged by their mom or dad. I remember what I felt like when my dad had to bail me out for my DUI.

Another cause of hopelessness is addiction to drugs, a subject I know much about. Addiction crowds out friendship, ambition, moral conviction and reduces all the richness of life to a single destructive desire; in my case, scoring some more cocaine.

As a government, we are fighting illegal drugs by cutting off supplies and redirecting them to the White House. We are also spending millions and millions of dollars on ineffective anti-drug ads during the Super Bowl.

Tonight, let us bring to all Americans who struggle with drug addiction this message of hope: If I can do it, so can you.

The qualities of courage and compassion that we strive for in America also determine our conduct abroad. Our founders dedicated this country to the cause of human dignity, the rights of every person and the possibilities of every life. This conviction leads us into the world to conquer and enslave the weak, defend the powerful and confuse the Europeans.

In the Middle East, we will continue to do nothing to end the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

As our nation moves troops into every country it can find and forgoes alliances, we must also remember our calling, as a blessed country, is to make the world better and more like America.

Ladies and gentlemen, seldom has history offered a greater opportunity for us to anger every other country in the world.

This nation can lead the world in sparing innocent people from a plague of nature. By the way, nature has now been added to my "Axis of Evil."

There are days when our fellow citizens do not hear news about the war on terror. There's never a day when I do not learn of another threat, or receive reports of operations in progress or give an order in this global war to put innocent lives in danger.

The war goes on, and we are winning. It's fun; I like it.

To date we have arrested or otherwise dealt with many key commanders of al-Qaida. They include a man who directed logistics and funding for the September the 11th attacks, an al-Qaida operations chief from Southeast Asia, a key al-Qaida operative in Europe, a major al-Qaida leader in Yemen, a random Muslim man in Ohio and some Bucknell University students who are from Saudi Arabia.

And many others have met a different fate. Let's put it this way: They are no longer a problem to the United States and our friends and allies. [Make throat-slitting gesture.]

We are working closely with other nations to prevent further attacks. We've broken al-Qaida cells in many European cities, including Hamburg and Milan and Madrid and London and Paris and Buffalo, N.Y.

We've got the terrorists on the run. We're keeping them on the run. One by one the terrorists are learning the meaning of Texas justice: Shoot first and ask questions later.

And this year, for the first time, we are beginning to field a defense to protect this nation against ballistic missiles. Unfortunately, the system really doesn't work, but we'll just keep that between you and me.

I thank the Congress for supporting these measures. I ask you tonight to add to our future security with a major research and production effort to guard our people against bio-terrorism, called Project BioDome. Pauly Shore has agreed to lead our effort.

Today, the gravest danger in the war on terror, the gravest danger facing America and the world, is outlaw regimes that seek and possess nuc-u-lear, chemical and biological weapons.

Throughout the 20th century, small groups of conservative men seized control of great nations, built armies and arsenals, and set out to dominate the weak and intimidate the world. I've been quite successful, wouldn't you say? I want to thank Jeb, Sandra Day O'Connor and the rest of the Supreme Court for legalizing my coup.

Once again, this nation and our few remaining friends are all that stand between a world at peace, and a world of chaos and constant alarm. By the way, today is code orange on our security chart: Don't panic, but please be vigilant.

Different threats require different strategies. In Iran we continue to see a government that represses its people, stifles debate and imprisons people without trial. Oops, that was us ...

Almost three months ago, the United Nations Security Council gave Saddam Hussein his final chance to disarm. He has shown instead utter contempt for the United Nations and for the opinion of the world, just like I did the first year of my administration.

Then, 108 U.N. inspectors were sent to conduct a scavenger hunt for hidden materials across a country the size of California. They didn't find anything, but I need an excuse to go to war. So now I'm demanding that Iraq show exactly where it is hiding its banned weapons, lay those weapons out for the world to see and destroy them as directed before we invade them.

Our intelligence sources tell us that Saddam has attempted to purchase high-strength aluminum tubes suitable for nuclear weapons production, but they were actually to be used for those low-tech phones with string connecting two aluminum cans. You know, where you can hear what the other person says when you hold it up to your ear.

Saddam Hussein has not credibly explained these activities. He clearly has much to hide. Just what are these string-and-can phones to be used for?

If this is not evil, then evil has no meaning.

And tonight I have a message for the brave and oppressed people of Iraq: Your enemy is not surrounding your country, your enemy is ruling your country. And the day he and his regime are removed from power will be the day of your liberation. Then you can live under a Western government that exploits you for your oil: Isn't that what you have always wanted?

This nation fights reluctantly because we know the cost. I think everyone can see from my rhetoric that I'm reluctant to go to war.

We seek peace. We strive for peace. I, George W. Bush, love peace. If I could have one thing for the world, it would be world peace.

But, if we are able to provoke a war, we will fight in a just cause and by just means, sparing, in every way we can, the innocent. I'm just kidding. There is no such thing as an innocent person in Iraq.

And if we are able to provoke a war, we will fight with the full force and might of the U.S. military, and we will prevail. Heck, we spend more on our military every year than every other country combined.

We Americans have faith in ourselves, but not in ourselves alone. I do not claim to know all the ways of Providence, yet you can trust in me, placing your confidence in the loving George W.

May God continue to bless the United States of America.

Thank you.

Opinions

Anti-drug commercials mislead public

By Tom Elliott
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The blockbuster and surreal atmosphere of the Super Bowl tends to extend beyond the playing field. Companies that make the $2 million investment for a 30 second commercial are sure to deliver their most sharpened and entertaining marketing skills. This makes even the breaks between the action worthwhile television viewing.

FedEx spent several million in a hilarious spoof on the movie "Castaway," where a Tom Hanks look-alike answered the question that was left in everyone's mind at the end of the movie—What was in that FedEx box?—which, of course, conveniently possessed the resources most useful for survival when on a stranded island. Pepsi also spent millions in an entertaining line that featured celebs du jour—the Osbourne family, with a famous television family of the past, the Osmonds. Budweiser spent close to $20 million in great fashion, featuring more animals partaking in gridiron battle—this time with zebras, appropriately, as referees. Upcoming movies were pitched as well—"Terminator 3" and "The Matrix 2" were both involved in the high-priced showcase action.

Perhaps the only commercials that were deemed both buzzkills and flops were those financed by you and me. Yes, the taxpayers of America spent several million dollars that night in an egregious display of federal government bureaucracy running hog wild. In a fashion becoming all too popular with campaigns seeking to "raise awareness," disingenuous scare tactics were employed in an attempt to defer attention from the actual issue—in this case, deterring people from marijuana use.

In one of the newer commercials, adults are seemingly worried over having another child while waiting for the results of a pregnancy test; it's positive, and then it's revealed that the test was actually for their daughter. One is led to believe that personal sexual irresponsibility was not the culprit for this unexpected pregnancy, but rather the evil sticky green. In another commercial, two obviously stoned guys are stopped in a drive-through fast food spot—clearly experiencing what some have dubbed "the munchies"—when they inadvertently drive over a young girl on a bicycle. This obviously isn't the fault of careless driving, but the reefer they'd previously toked. A bumper sticker comes to mind, "Drunk Drivers Kill, Stoned Drivers Miss Their Exit."

Another has two glazed over teenagers sitting in a smoky family den, exchanging silly banter like, "Your sister is hot." Then one takes out a gun, announces it's unloaded and, to prove it, fires at his friend. Surprisingly, we are spared the splattered brains, but the intended message still resonates: smoking pot will kill you.

Other commercials seek to advertise how a marijuana high will lead a susceptible young girl to be raped, and another infers it could motivate a young man to rape a girl. This new line of commercials from the Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) probably does more harm than good. No teen-agers will ever be dissuaded from experimenting with pot after viewing the commercials, since everyone's experiences with the drug are so laughably at odds with the image the ONDCP is attempting to portray.

The ONDCP, under leadership of Bush nominee John Walters, has chosen an irresponsible route to bolster its cause. Instead of relaying factual information about the effects of marijuana—such as you will experience a mild high, become surmounted to laziness sitting on a couch and in the end your time would have been better spent being productive—they have instead opted for demagogy.

My friend from Ohio told me that while driving back to the University of Dayton this summer, he noticed a sign with a pot leaf that read, "You think it's dry now ... just wait until October. From, Your friends at the DEA." This is another example of a federal agency with too much money on its hands. The DEA, in this instance, could have channeled these funds to help stop the trafficking of dangerous drugs such as heroin, but instead chose to use taxpayer money for its own amusement, and to taunt potheads.

These types of ads would not be in existence if the DEA and the ONDCP were private enterprises. Because such departments are extensions of the government, they understand that they will perpetually be in existence, therefore will continually receive tax dollars regardless of how successful they are (in fact, government agencies tend to be rewarded for failure). If they were private, they couldn't afford to waste resources on billboards that are meaningless and Super Bowl television spots that are fallacious.

Christie Nordhielm, marketing professor at Northwestern University's Kellogg School of Management, found the Super Bowl spots condescending—and she doesn't buy the grim statistics: "If this was an ad for a brand, they would be sued for false advertising," she said.

One commercial I've seen actually accentuates a risk involved with smoking pot that is truthful—two teens are in a bathroom stall at a concert when they are busted for smoking weed, and the narrator then says, "Smoking marijuana gets you arrested." This is an accurate potential consequence for smoking marijuana. Yet why this is the case remains a good cause for debate.

Charity essential to ideal economic system

By Aaron Hanlon
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Let us reflect on something of great importance—no—of necessity: charity is perhaps one of our most widely overlooked virtues. So often we are force-fed two extremes in the classroom: ruthless, cold-blooded pseudo-capitalism that has been reduced to oversimplified dynamics of competition and exemplified by Enron and sweatshops, and the oft-celebrated social welfare state, known for high taxes, government handouts and a general disregard for individual freedom. Implicit in true capitalism, charity is the key to finding optimal middle ground between the two highly unfavorable extremes.

For all of the Adam Smith that we read (not nearly enough to begin with), we are rarely introduced to Smith's other important work. "The Theory of Moral Sentiments" is a discussion of, as Smith wrote, the principles of human nature "which interest him in the fortune of others, and render their happiness necessary to him." In this work, Smith argues that an essential component of human happiness is the self-serving act of charity. Indeed, charity is self-serving as one "derives nothing from it except the pleasure of seeing it," though charity undeniably has auspicious effects on its object as well. Amid all the critiques of capitalism and man's self-serving nature, charity is continually excluded from discussion. This is extremely unfortunate, as Smith has been right all along: charity is essential for the proper functioning of a capitalist society.

While pecuniary emulation may give us added incentive to drop much of our expendable income on, say, car audio and Louis Vuitton, and simple convenience may lead us to eat out a few nights per week instead of knocking off one more meal credit (sunk cost) at the cafeteria, it does not take much to give something to someone who has nothing. There will always be people living in poverty who are one set of Tiffany earrings away from a month's worth of meals. And while we are stocking up on granola bars and Diet Coke at the truckload sale at the end of each semester, plenty of people within miles of this campus are walking around without shoes.

I am not trying to preach. I am as "guilty" as anyone of imprudent expenditure—and I do not feel the slightest bit guilty about it. Neither should you. Everyone has the right to what they earn, and no one has the right to impose limits of what is "enough" on someone else. If you like to buy nice things or your parents like to buy nice things for you, it does not make you a bad person. One of the many virtues of capitalism is that no one has an entitlement to take from you what you earn. Likewise, you can spend or save your earnings at your own discretion. It is among the most basic of your human rights.

Charity is yet another key virtue that makes capitalism function as the ideal economic system. It gives us a sense of fulfillment. The act of helping out another of less fortunate circumstance is the ultimate manifestation of humanity. It is what separates us (among other things, of course) from animals that roam the Earth with the sole purpose of survival. As a human race, we are fortunate enough to feel self-gratifying compassion. We do not need the government to force us to pay unreasonable amounts of taxes according to our income and redistribute our wealth for us. We do not need our government to echo the "from each according to his means, to each according to his need" sentiments of Marxism. We do not need a "living wage." We have an intrinsic human awareness that says "take what you earn, but leave no one behind." Ultimately, the laws of nature will never allow us to truly leave no one behind; but we ought to listen more carefully to the voice of compassion when it calls.

I am not asking you to start making your own clothing and renounce consumerism. I am not even asking you not to buy that Burberry scarf, that extra pair of shoes or that third or fourth pair of shoes for that matter. Just bear in mind how far the slightest bit of your help can go in the world of someone who has not even the basic necessities of life. If you have not already, I urge you to give something to someone who needs it. You might be pleasantly surprised when what you thought would be a sacrifice turns out to be far more rewarding than what you might have purchased in its place. Though it sounds trite in words, the experience of giving proves its own satisfaction. It takes merely one gift of kindness to realize that charity is invaluable.

Global economy faced with many challenges

By Mike Niebauer
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World economic and political globalization has produced curious and critical geographic developments. First, countries with regional trade and political relationships have formed into economic trade entities. The most influential of these are the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) and the European Union (EU). Both of these organizations are working toward including countries within their membership that are economically dependent with low-wage work forces. New European members such as Poland will play this role, as has Mexico under the NAFTA accord. These low-wage dependent populations will do the less desirable work for competitive reasons for the economic members.

Second, governments under these agreements work to keep trade and labor regulation minimal and wages low in exchange for opening their markets to their membership's goods and the global market competition.

Third, both of these trade organizations and world markets are currently under pressure from the global natural resource (oil) sector. Venezuelan electoral and economic politics are destabilizing the economies of NAFTA's members, while the EU's members struggle to grow their economies as global oil prices spike over $30 per barrel. It may be open to question whether these international trading blocks are as stable as believed or advertised when it comes to natural resources.

In her book "World On Fire," Yale Professor Amy Chua cites this as a "paradox of globalization and U.S. foreign policy: the combination of 'laissez-faire' capitalism and free elections can create political and economic instability." Hugo Chavez was elected in a landslide victory in 1998 and constitutionally reaffirmed in 2000. Many of Chavez's problems are admittedly self-induced, but the conditions currently troubling Venezuela are orchestrated by his political and economic adversaries.

Chavez has responded by threatening to nationalize the important Venezuelan oil company that owns Citgo gas stations in the United States. His opposition, the business elite that has run Venezuela and its oil companies for decades, is locking out workers in the oil business to force an unscheduled and unconstitutional electoral result in their favor. Chavez has moved to get oil production moving once again by using the military.

The dispute is also ethnic. Chavez is a "pardo," one of Amerindian and African ancestry, while traditional ruling elite is a small minority of "mantuanos," or Europeans, with a pervasive attitude of ownership and entitlement. This group has the most experience with foreign investors. This reality is being reproduced in many emerging national economies in the world. Small minorities of the privileged are being challenged by long repressed majority ethnic groups in all political and economic areas. Chua correctly points out that the U.S. agenda of promoting democracies around the world may be deepening instability in many regions of the world as natural resources become more scarce.

The outcome of this instability and the economic troubles in Argentina and ongoing Colombian strife has put U.S. President George W. Bush's dream of a hemisphere enveloping free trade agreement for the Americas on hold. Venezuela's problems are our problems in the now global economy. Bush Senior pushed for NAFTA in a very different economic environment. It will be more of a challenge to adequately sustain and implement the NAFTA and European economic accords than anyone could have originally imagined. This will be true in the Americas and in the EU as natural resources become the economic "wild card" that effect all countries and their relationships in all areas.

Nicaragua and Bucknell need Brigade

By Josh Fisher
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Every January and March Bucknell Brigade delegates bring medical supplies and funds to Nueva Vida, Nicaragua. Having been a Brigadista twice now, I know that I can do no justice to the experience. And I can only intimate how Nicaragua has been put in its current position it is in, and how desperately the nation needs the help that the Bucknell Brigade attempts to provide.

After a half-century of dictatorships, civil war and natural disasters, Nicaragua is now like a pond across which a terrible storm had once swept. The energy for democracy and self-determination have now been transformed into desperation.

Back in 1984, there was a ray of hope on the horizon as Daniel Ortega, the leader of the Sandanista revolution, overthrew the brutal 43-year Somoza dictatorship, which had siphoned away disaster funds meant for the impoverished victims of the 1972 earthquake. A new era of Nicaraguan democratic rule had been issued in, and hundreds of thousands celebrated in the capital of Managua. Ideological freedom and national self-determination was soon to follow.

But in former President Ronald Reagan's America there was no quarrel too remote, no conflict too petty so long as it rang with the echoes of anti-Communism.

And so America's role in this impoverished country was brought into sharp focus. With CIA machinators running around machinating, the United States was fishing in troubled waters. Reagan, so nostalgic for the Somoza days, illegally funded counter-revolutionary "terrorists" known as the Contras, to forcibly return Nicaragua to the dictatorship.

The cost? Sixty thousand Nicaraguan lives, the country's infrastructure and economy and $178 billion. The United States was a little more than "implicated" in the whole affair.

In the list of political monsters, Reagan belongs up there with the others—Anastasio and Luis Somoza, Augusto Pinochet, Henry Kissinger, Richard Nixon and Saddam Hussein. The World Court even condemned the United States for its role in the Iran-Contra Affair, but consistent with our narrowly defined worldview, the United States does not recognize the World Court.

So much for the American century. A great ideological power, come and gone. As the German philosopher, Friedrich Nietzsche believed, "He who fights with monsters might take care lest he thereby become a monster. And if you gaze for long into an abyss, the abyss gazes also into you."

Appropriately, President George W. Bush's State of the Union speech this week marked a complete reversion to these wreckless, shady, Reaganesque politics and the continuing decline of American democracy.

But beyond these reductionist theories of politics and power, the melodramas of authority stories, the twists and turnings of unfinished stories, Nicaragua's forests, volcanos and villages are somehow colored with the Nicaraguan experience—and yet everywhere the diffracted presence of the United States. Modern day imperialism.

The Americans, nothing if not self-righteous, urged and continue to urge radical Reaganomics—deregulations, the market, reduction of public expenditures, tax breaks, friendliness toward foreign investments (or foreign exploitation, for that matter), International Monetary Fund structural adjustments and an American strength of character—on the Nicaraguans.

Bus stations are sponsored by Coca-Cola. Nike and Levi's sweatshops control the labor market. When there was still nearly 80 percent unemployment in Nueva Vida alone, the U.S. Ambassador to Nicaragua campaigned against the socialist Sandinista party and Daniel Ortega in the 2001 election, while ironically seeking "a free, fair and democratic election"—rolling over democracy in a democratic country, flexing muscles over the poorest of countries, the American hand is still all but concealed in the affairs of the Nicaraguan people.

What works for Americans—capitalism, market forces—may not work for Nicaraguans. In reparations for our crimes against the country, the United States should not be telling the Nicaraguans what they need, but asking them what they need, as the Bucknell Brigade has done.

But perhaps the first step would be to not interfere with Nicaraguan elections and self-determination—if they make a mistake, then let it be their own mistake.

There is no description for this revelation, the importance of the Brigade, but indeed it has defined who I am. There is one thing I can say: Sometimes it is not until you are where you least expect that you understand where you were. Maybe it is better said by Arthur Schopenhaur: "Everyone takes the limits of his own vision for the limits of the world."

Campus comments on the State of the Union

"It wasn't surprising that Bush used a large section of his speech to highlight his plans for the economy. Even if he does desire the new tax cuts to boost the economy, there's no reason why these tax cuts will succeed when the previous, massive cuts failed. Combine these cuts with Bush's impending war on Iraq and the increases he proposes in spending, and the speech becomes apparent as something of a recipe for Reaganesque deficit spending. In the end, the speech resembled a typical political campaign: full of promises and platitudes, but much in need of a dose of reality."
—Denis Kennedy '05

"I think the state of the country is poised for an upswing. The war and President Bush's tax cut package will provide some needed economic stimulus. Bush's speech could have been easier on the war rhetoric and more focused on economic policy, but that's what his administration is focusing on."
—Kevin Lang '04

"The numbers just don't add up. How can we fight a war while 28 states are in deficit, our federal government is projected to be $199 bilion in deft, while at the same time President Bush wants a $680 billion tax cut on top of the $1.35 trillion tax cut passed last year."
—Jason Kim '04

"My first reaction is that he [President Bush] came as close to declaring war as he could without saying those actual words. He spoke with a strong voice and there weren't as many malapropisms as normally expected. I'm interested in seeing how his domestic plans will actually work out. I don't think the $1.2 billion for hydrogen cars will happen once the special interests get involved."
—Greg Yankee '05

"The best way to sum up President Bush's speech was the way Juan Williams, a liberal, did on Fox News Channel: "He sounded like a real person up there." He talked about what Americans really care about and are nervous about right now: helping the economy and protecting America. Yeah, he screws up his words sometimes, but people can see that his heart is really in the right place. He stated very clearly that Saddam Hussein has failed to account for weapons that the U.N. knows he had, that he has the ability and the malice to cause the death of thousands of Americans and that he must and will be disarmed, even if we can't get our moral superiors in France to go along with it."
—Charles Mitchell '05

BUSINESS & POLITICS

Military draft bill introduced in Congress

By Michael Dudzinski
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Adamant that U.S. President George W. Bush live up to his role as the voice of the people, Sen. Ernest Hollings, D-S.C., urged Monday that the military draft be reinstated. Outrightly opposed by the Pentagon, the Associated Press reported that the move would be the first since the 1968 draft for the Vietnam War.

Introduced this month in the House of Representatives and Senate, the bill requires all enlisted men and women to serve two full years in the armed forces. With the exemption of high school students and disabled citizens, the military would reserve the right to call up all others aged 18-26.

A joint letter was submitted to Congress this week, stressing the concerns of Hollings and Rep. Charles Rangel, D-N.Y.

"If we are preparing for war against an enemy who wishes to 'threaten our society,' as Bush says, then it makes sense that all who benefit from our society must share in defending it," said the letter, according to the Associated Press.

Rangel raised eyebrows by suggesting Monday that Bush is all too eager for war with Iraq, an objective with which most Americans are discontent. CNN reported Rangel's concern that "Congress needs to take a good look at this war before we get involved in it."

"If we do get involved...let all of America say we're sharing the sacrifice," Rangel said, according to CNN.

Both lawmakers maintained that a draft would allow the American people to think twice about the repercussions of a U.S.-led war against Iraq. According to CNN, mandatory enlistment would present the Bush administration with a clear message that Americans oppose the use of force in Iraq. CNN reported that deploying young adults to fight for an ambiguous cause would not likely serve as a justification for American parents.

Advocating that the proposed bill not be taken lightly, Hollings supports it as an effective means to avert the immediacy of war.

"One way to avoid a lot more wars is to institute the draft... causing the country to sober up, and its leadership too," Hollings said, according to CNN.

Hollings also expressed concern that the country is not economically fit to fund a war with minimal international support. Rangel added that a war would expand the growing deficit, leaving U.S. taxpayers to pay the tab in the coming years.

Noting that Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld would not authorize the reinstatement of the draft, aides to both representatives implied that the proposed bill has no intention of becoming law. Rather, reported *The New York Times*, it serves as an indicator that all concerns must be weighed before legitimate force can be justified.

During World War II and Vietnam, many young men avoided enlistment through temporary leaves of absence from the United States. *The New York Times* said that the violent protests during the height of Vietnam eventually called for the replacement of the draft with an all-volunteer military.

The Department of Selective Services confirmed last fall that 14.1 million Americans were eligible if the draft were be reinstated.

The next step in the Iraqi conflict?

Courtesy of Reuters

In Iraq, U.N. weapons inspectors make their way toward the al-Qaim phosphate plant, about 250 miles away from Baghdad. Even though inspections have not proven that Iraq has revived its nuclear weapons program, the United Nations still believes Iraq has concealed weapons.

By Lindsey Gentel
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Two months of weapons inspections in Iraq have not proven that Baghdad has attempted to revive its nuclear arms program, Hans Blix, the head of the U.N. weapons inspectors, said Monday.

Giving a broadly negative report on Iraq's cooperation with two months of inspections, he provided support to the Bush administration's campaign to disarm Iraq with necessary force.

"Iraq appears not to have come to genuine acceptance—not even today—of the disarmament which was demanded of it and which it needs to carry out to win the confidence of the world and live in peace," Blix said, according to *The New York Times*.

The White House is likely to declassify some intelligence information about Iraq's effort to obtain and conceal weapons of mass destruction. This evidence is likely to be disclosed next week after the State of the Union Address.

"Time is running out. We've made it very clear from the very beginning that we would not allow the process of inspections to string out forever," Secretary of State Colin L. Powell said, according to CNN.com.

Mohamed ElBaradei, chief of the international Atomic Energy Agency, was much less confrontational with Iraq, calling the inspection process a valuable investment in the interest of peace. In an oblique jab at the United States' impatience with the inspection process and continued threats of war against Baghdad, ElBaradei requested the Security Council grant him a "few months" more to complete his work.

"Barring exceptional circumstances and provided there is sustained cooperation by Iraq, we should be able within the next few months to provide credible assurance that Iraq has no nuclear weapons program," ElBaradei said, according to MSNBC.com.

He said Iraq must be more forthcoming with information about its pre-1991 nuclear arms program and a number of other unresolved issues if it wants to prove its innocence to an increasingly impatient international community.

Since Blix and ElBaradei's briefings, the 15-member Security Council has come to an ultimate divergence about the start of the inspections. The U.S. ambassador, John Negroponte, said that Iraq's actions demonstrated that it had no intention of unveiling its secret arms to the inspectors and inspections had already gone on long enough.

"There is nothing in either presentation that would give us hope that Iraq has ever intended to fully comply," Negroponte said, according to *The New York Times*.

France, Russia, China and other veto-bearing Council countries insisted that the inspections are still working and should be allowed to continue.

A German proposal consisted of having the inspectors report back to the Council again on Feb. 14. Such a date for a further interim report would demonstrate to unconvinced allies, such as France, that they are not rushing to judgment. The postponement would also allow the United States and Britain, the United States' closest ally, to continue preparations for a war in late February or March.

Most of the Security Council nations supported the German proposal on Monday. The United States accepted it, but said no significance should be attached to the date.

Powell takes a strong stand against Saddam Hussein

By Jim Leahy
Senior Writer

As the gears of war continue to turn and the world listens to the United States rattle its sabers against the regime in Iraq, the Bush administration is losing one of its biggest anti-war members in Secretary of State Colin Powell. Well-known for his opposition to many of the military conflicts in the last two decades, Powell is coming out strongly against Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and leading many to believe that the United States is serious about going to war.

Last week, during meetings with the French over their reluctance to approve an American confrontation in Iraq, Powell snapped from his anti-war stance.

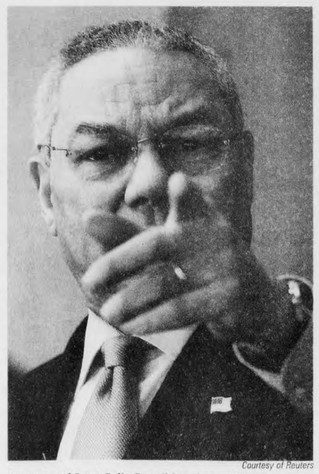
According to Newsweek, "As Powell listened to Europeans boast about the success of the weapons inspectors in Iraq, his patience finally gave out. Sitting across a long rectangular table inside Manhattan's Waldorf-Astoria hotel, the usually genial Powell issued a stark warning to his French counterpart: the clock has run out on Saddam and the United Nations. 'Don't underestimate the resolve of the United States to solve this problem without dragging it out,' he said. The dove had finally morphed into a hawk."

The Newsweek report said why Powell is getting more outspoken.

One senior State Department official said Powell's change of heart is a gradual awakening. "People ask why Powell is becoming increasingly hard-line. It's because every day, when we wake up in the morning, the facts are clear that Iraq has gone back to its old ways and is refusing to disarm, and trying to prevent the inspectors from disarming them. It's a big decision, especially for a former general who knows what this is all about," the official said.

The biggest instance of his new outspoken nature on the Iraq situation came last weekend at the World Economic Forum held in Davos, Switzerland. The forum regularly attracts high-profile business and political figures from around the world to talk about the world economy, the state of international affairs and to enjoy a little respite in the Alps.

According to an earlier report in Newsweek, "the U.S. Secretary of State drew a capacity audience to his address at a gathering characterized by international criticism of the United States and on the eve of the United Nations weapons inspectors' much-anticipated Jan. 27 report on Iraq. Delegates spilled out from the main auditorium of the town's conference center into hallways, where crowds stood three deep to watch the address by video link."



Courtesy of Reuters

Secretary of State Colin Powell has changed his anti-war stance, causing many Americans to believe the United States will soon be going to war against Iraq.

The speech, despite its tough rhetoric and, according to *The New York Times*, "muscular, unapologetic and at times emotional defense of the nation's exercise of power," did appeal to the audience as a whole. Powell is generally seen around the world as a trusted source of information and a comforting member of the Bush administration.

Powell received four standing ovations during the speech and found an unusual consensus among the attendees of the forum. Newsweek reported a wide approval for Powell's speech.

"America couldn't have asked for a more elegant and eloquent spokesman," a risk analyst whose company operates in several countries outside the United States said in an interview given to Newsweek.

"It was very thoughtful and thought provoking," a British-based executive for a major investment company said to Newsweek. "It was well put together and embellished on a lot of hot-button issues."

Newsweek also reported that Powell went a long way toward comforting much of the world about the issue of war in Iraq. He also seemed to win some sympathy with his brief historical overview of American attempts to help other nations after World War II and countries ranging from Kuwait to Afghanistan.

"We seek nothing for ourselves, other than to help bring about security for others who have suffered so much," he said.

The following day, Powell was back in the United States responding to the release of the U.N. weapons inspectors' report to the Security Council. Powell resoundingly denounced the report that followed several weeks of inspections in Iraq. *The New York Times* reported Powell's impact in his response.

"By promising to study the report and consult with other members of the Security Council before acting, the secretary made a modest concession to the qualms of Europeans about what many here describe as Washington's stampede toward war," according to *The New York Times*. "But he also recited a litany of failures and unanswered questions in Iraq's cooperation with the inspectors, who have been looking for biological, chemical and nuclear weapons in Iraq for two months."

Powell did come out very strongly in his comments about Iraq's attempts to cooperate with the United Nations and its inspectors.

According to *The New York Times*, Powell said, "Let's not forget the vital part of the resolution that comes toward the end: There would be serious consequences for continued Iraqi violation of its obligation. Those serious consequences are the lever that was needed to get the inspectors in, to get the inspectors to be able to do their work, which was to assist Iraq in disarmament. Iraqi intransigence brings us to a situation where we see that regime's continuing to confront the fundamental choice between compliance with 1441 and the consequences and to come clean. And the answer is not much more time. Iraq's time for choosing peaceful disarmament is fast coming to an end."

Powell finished his statements with his most withering assessment.

"As I've watched the process unfold, I have watched Iraq go by every diplomatic exit ramp that was put there for them. They could have made a full, complete and accurate declaration in December, which would have given us some confidence that they were serious about disarmament. Instead, they gave us 12,200 pages of nothing very useful," Powell said.

Many watchers of U.S. foreign policy read a strengthening of the American resolve to go to war in Iraq. They point to the new public support for the war from Powell. His approval of a conflict there may turn the Bush White House more strongly toward a possible Persian Gulf War II.

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North Korea did not reactivate its nuclear facilities until Dec. 12, a month after the oil freeze. It followed that action by asking the United Nations to remove monitoring equipment from its nuclear facilities and withdrawing entirely from the Nonproliferation Treaty. North Korean representatives have maintained that the only facilities that have been or are planned to be reactivated are power plants necessary to compensate for the loss of oil and that recent rocket tests have been part of its space program.

According to *The New York Times*, North Korea has maintained that it will only negotiate on nuclear weapons with the United States, even after it issued a "heavily qualified" statement to South Korea that it would not develop nuclear weapons.

Since the crisis began, North Korea has consistently directed most statements about its possible weapons program towards the United States, while claiming harmlessness to the international community, according to CNN.com. When it pulled out of the treaty, the North Korean government claimed that its nuclear research would be limited to "peaceful purposes."

Since this declaration, North Korea has said that other countries "do not need to poke their nose into" its weapons program, and that "if our enemies keep talking about a missile threat, this can only bring about harm to them."

"Our socialist motherland is sure to win a conflict against the United States," Kim Jong Il said on Jan. 23, according to CNN.com.

The size of North Korea's standing military is estimated at one million people, which would make it the fifth largest in the world.

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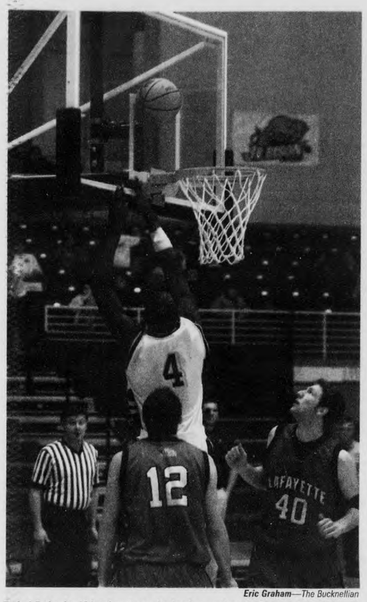
Men's basketball reaches .500 mark

With the victory over Lafayette the team improves its record to 9-9 and 3-2 in the Patriot League



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Bokai Lalugba '03 takes it to the basket against Lafayette. Lalugba scored 23 points and grabbed 15 rebounds in the game.

By Dave Cohen
Senior Writer

The Bucknell men's basketball team improved its overall record to 9-9 and its Patriot League record to a respectable 3-2 with a 68-48 victory at Sojka Pavilion over Lafayette on Jan. 26th.

Bucknell dominated the glass, out-rebounding the Leopards 44-21. Boakai Lalugba '03 snatched 15 of them, while scoring a game-high 23 points. Roland Webber '04 reflected on Lalugba's performance and knows that the team needs and expects performances such as this one more often down the road.

"That's [Lalugba's dominance] what we are going to need to succeed in the league," Webber said. "He was a true man on the boards. We are used to seeing that out of him. He is that kind of player. Fifteen boards for him is equivalent to seven or eight to most big men in our league."

It was the Bison defense that set the tone, holding Lafayette to 39 percent shooting. Lafayette's Justin DeBerry, the Patriot League's leading scorer entering the contest, was held at bay with just four points on 2-12 shooting. With the exception of the Leopards grabbing an early 2-0 advantage, Bucknell never trailed in the game. Matthew Quinn '04 sparked a Bison 10-3 run with five quick points and the Orange and Blue never looked back. Quinn felt as if he needed to step up his productivity, given the fact that Chris Rodgers '04 was not playing.

"I realized that we had less depth in the backcourt entering the game than we had been accustomed to throughout the season," Quinn said. "However, it wasn't only that fact that motivated me to produce in the early stages of the game. I was also driven by the fact that I played well the game before against Army and I wanted to continue to prove to myself, the guys and the coaches that I could start being a key contributor on a consistent basis."

Bucknell led by as many as eight points, 29-21, in the first half when Kevin Bettencourt '06, who played with the flu, buried a three-pointer with 1 minute, 8 seconds remaining. The Herd clung to a 29-24 lead at the intermission. Head Coach Pat Flannery was pleased with the team's ability to not only preserve its halftime lead, but also stretch it out.

"I think that we started out the second half with a lot of momentum coming out of the locker room," Flannery said. "I think we were able to use our bench and it helped us soften them [Lafayette] up a little bit. We were able to physically keep guys on the floor. We had people making shots and they had to go man-to-man."

Davorin Skornik '04 finished a crucial lay up while being fouled with the Bison leading 35-30 early in the second half, which kick-started a Bucknell 17-6 run over an eight minute span. The team led by as many as 24 points at 66-42, thanks to

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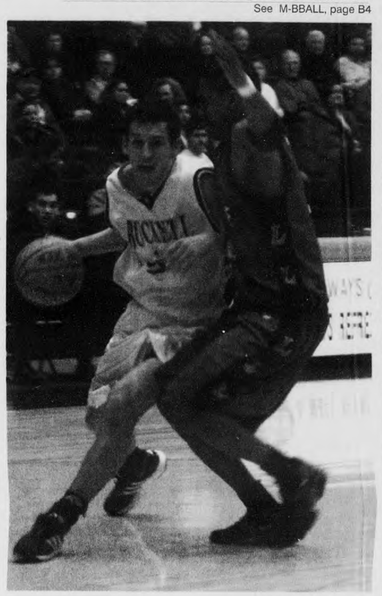

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Dan Blankenship '03 drives to the hole in the Orange and Blue victory over Lafayette. Blankenship went 1-4 from three point range and added 7 points to help the Bison effort.

Women's swimming tries for a perfect season

By Stephen Schwanhausser
Staff Writer

After recent success, the women's swimming and diving team had a reprieve from competition as it prepared for the end of the season. This final month of competition includes two home meets, one against rival Lehigh on Saturday, followed by the Patriot League Championships, held from Feb. 20-22.

This is the most essential part of the season, as the team begins to rest, shave and look toward the fulfillment of year-long goals.

Co-captain Becky Dolan '03 is excited about it.

"Two of our three team goals for the season were to have an undefeated duel meet season and to win Patriots. Both those goals are finally within reach and I am very excited to be part of a team that can finish the way I have always dreamed," Dolan said.

The defeat of Lehigh would in fact make this first goal a reality, as the team has not lost to a Patriot League rival all season. At this point last year, the Bison were able to defeat the Lehigh Mountain Hawks 159-139, and with the addition of a strong first-year class, and the loss of only two seniors, this year's outcome is definitely in Bucknell's favor.

In last year's competition, Lehigh's top competitor was senior Lauren Ayres, who won the 1,000-meter free, the 500 free and the 200 fly. With her

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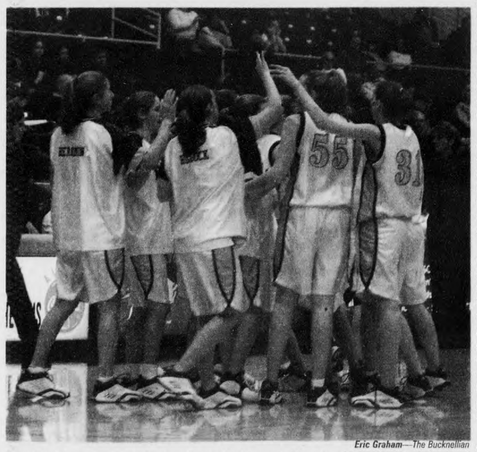
The Lady Bison extend a three game Patriot League winning streak

With a 72-62 victory over Army the women's team improves its Patriot league record to 3-2 and 8-9 overall

By Joe Schweitzer
Staff Writer

The Bucknell women's basketball team throttled Army 72-62 on Jan. 24, sending a message that the Patriot League champs are back. Lafayette received the memo too late as the Bison onslaught victimized the Leopards 87-73 just two days later. The Lady Bison showed their superiority by winning their second and third straight Patriot League battles, improving to 3-2 and 8-9 overall.



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The Lady Bison regroup and get ready to take the court. The trio of Desire Almind '04, Molly Creamer '03 and Kate Franks '03 combined to shoot 25-of-42 from the field and score 70 of Bucknell's 87 points.

Bucknell opened the game with an 8-1 lead behind senior Molly Creamer's sharp shooting. Army fought back within one, 13-12, but woke up the defending Patriot League champions in the process. Bucknell erupted into a 10-0 run behind six points from Kate Franks '03 to take a 23-12 advantage midway through the first half. The team looked destined for their first victory at Sojka Pavilion with a commanding 37-22 halftime lead behind Creamer's 11 points.

"We knew coming into the game that Army is a tough team and wasn't going to be intimidated by us," Patriot League Player of the Year Creamer said. "That helped us focus and get back to playing our style of basketball."

The Orange and Blue kept their lead in double digits for the 10 minutes of the second stanza. Army refused to believe in the strength of the champs as All-Patriot League star Katie Macfarlane sparked an Army attack that scored 11 points in just two minutes, closing the gap to six, 50-44. Creamer then scored 12 straight points to ignite the Bison attack as they rediscovered their killer instinct down the stretch by making 9 out of 12 free throws to finish off the Black Knights.

Creamer's 32 points led the Orange and Blue to victory and herself into the record books on Friday night. She scored her 11th point on a backdoor pass from Lindsey Geosits '06 with 5 minutes left in the first half, eclipsing a 14-year-old career scoring mark previously held by Jen Walz.

"I thought we came out focused from the very beginning," Head Coach Kathy Fedorjaka said. "The score isn't always the best indicator of how a team is playing during a game. Sometimes we can be up by six and I am upset with our play, and other times I feel good about our performance and the scoreboard shows us trailing. I never felt worried—even when Army fought back into the game—because I knew we were focused and playing good basketball. Obviously, the final score shows that."

The Orange and Blue champions dismantled Lafayette 87-73 on Jan. 26 to continue their impressive weekend onslaught at Sojka Pavilion. The 8-9 Bison moved a step closer to .500 overall and improved to 3-2 in league play with their third straight Patriot League win.

The teams traded early baskets before the Leopards mounted a 12-4 run, including five from Lafayette standout Colleen Fitzpatrick, giving Lafayette a 32-24 advantage with under six minutes remaining in the half. Bucknell nibbled away at the lead and pulled through even when Chelsea Smith '06 was fouled while fighting for a rebound. She converted both free throws, ending the first half tied at 42.

"I really wasn't happy with our defensive intensity in the first half," Fedorjaka said. "I felt we only really had six good defensive possessions and I challenged the team to pick up their defensive intensity in the second half."

As defending Patriot League champions, it was fitting that the Bucknell defense restored the team's championship swagger in the second half. The Lady Bison suffocated Lafayette with a swarming full court press that provided the fuel to launch an attack. Creamer stole the ball

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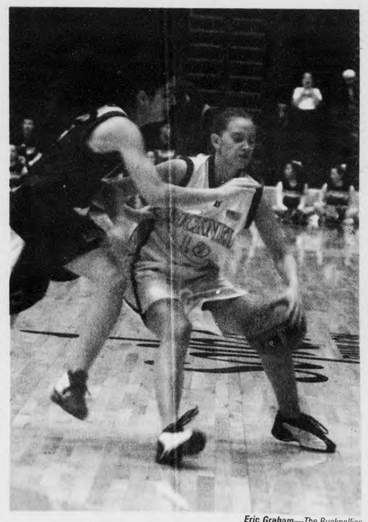

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Lindsey Geosits '06 protects the ball from a Lafayette player during Sunday's game. The Bison easily defeated the Leopards 87-73.

Sports

Bison track dominates the herd at Bucknell Octagon

Bucknell records five early season IC4A/ECAC qualifying marks at the Penn State Invitational this past weekend

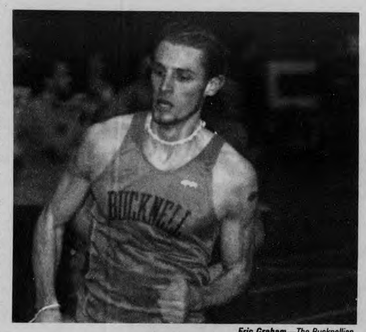
By Evan Honeyfield
Staff Writer

Bucknell men's and women's track teams dominated the competition at the Bucknell Octagonal this past Saturday, highlighted by a NCAA provisional long jump by Noel Powell '03.

Powell's jump of 25 feet provisionally qualified him for the national championship meet and broke his own school record by over two inches. Powell needs to jump another nine inches to get an automatic bid, which may happen soon. On an attempt that was ruled a foul, he jumped an impressive 25-7. Powell also proved himself on the track by winning the 200-meter dash and placing 3rd in the 55-meter dash.

The men used 18 top-three finishes to score 187 points and put away St. Francis (120.5 points) and Rider (56 points). Darrell Perry '03 used a fierce lean at the line to win the 55 hurdles by 0.01 seconds, while Rich Alexander '03 was 4th, a mere 0.016 seconds back. Eric Furst '03 won the 800-meter run with sit and kick tactics, while Lou Palma '03 led the final 600 meters of the 1,000-meter run after a slow opening. Bryan Johnston '03 led the mile nearly wire-to-wire and then came back later in the day to win the 3000-meter run. Jeff Arek '04 won the pole vault and then Palma, Furst, Koran Evans '06 and Matias Palavecino '03 won the 4x800-meter relay, putting the Bison out of reach in the team standings.

Head Coach Kevin Donner said he was not only happy with the wins, but also some of the personal bests that were put forth.



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Bryan Johnston '03 maintains the lead in his frontrunning mile victory during the Bucknell Octagonal. The effort was one of two first-place finishes for Johnston, who later won the 3,000-meter.

"Sean McCarthy had a huge personal best in the mile with his 4:22 to place 4th. Nick Mousetis ran a great race in the 5,000 to place 2nd and Brian Klotz seems to be making a great comeback after struggling with injuries last year and placed 3rd in the 400," Donner said.

"The team as a whole is looking very strong," Powell said. "I think we are better this year than previous years. We need to work on supporting everyone on the team. I don't think some people realize just how much it helps the team when everyone is cheering you on and getting you pumped up for the event. There are a lot of individual events in track, but this helps the team as a whole."

The Lady Bison also benefited from a balanced team effort, scoring in 17 of 18 events. Their 157.5 points easily defeated their closest competition, Temple (102 points) and Dusquesne (96.5 points). Katie Pfeifer '05 turned in one of the most exciting performances with a come-from-behind win in the 5,000-meter run. The 2nd place finisher from Towson moved into lane three while approaching a lapped runner near the finish, allowing Pfeifer to slip inside for the win. Amy Calvo '05, one week off of setting her school record in the 500, used her speed to win the 800 in the homestretch. Nikki Piper '03, who won the 500, teamed up with Calvo, Charity Brady '03 and Monique Boley '05 to win a close 4x400-meter relay. In the field, Angie McFarland '05 threw a personal best of 48-3 to lead a 20 point effort from the 20-pound weight throw.

"Tolu Fayanjuola's points in some top heavy events [long and high jumps] really solidify our women's team," Donner said.

"Since the sprints, throws, jumps and hurdles were pretty stacked at this meet, we knew to win the meet that we needed to dominate in the middle distance, which we did. Our long distance crew is young and with a couple key injuries we are not as deep as we expect to be," Donner said. "They still did a great job scoring some points, however. I was very impressed with our sprints, hurdles, jumps and throws, who all came to compete and were pivotal in winning the meet on both sides."

Assistant Coach Mario Wilson said the meet was very comparable to a league meet in terms of overall competition in each event.

"I believe we are doing everything that we can do to prepare for [Patriot Leagues], and when the time comes we will be ready to bring home another league title," McFarland said.

This weekend will split the team between the Penn State National Invitational and Bucknell's Bison Open, with both meets starting Friday evening and concluding Saturday.

"This weekend we will focus on individual performances. It is important to get in the faster sections at the league meet as well as the good lanes," Donner said.

Bucknell's track teams took advantage of the competition and facility at Penn State this past Saturday to record five early season IC4A/ECAC qualifying marks while placing 6th out of 11 on the women's side and 7th of 11 on the men's. Penn State and Cornell dominated both meets, taking first and second places, respectively, for men and women.

The Bison had a number of men show that they are becoming big time meet performers. Lou Palma '03 took 3rd in an exciting mile that came down to the last 50 meters, Bryan Johnston '03 used a strong finishing kick to take 3rd in the 3,000-meter run, and Eric Furst '03 chased Matt Lincoln from Penn State to 2nd place in the 1,000-meter run. Joining Johnston and Furst as IC4A qualifiers were Noel Powell's pair of 4th place finishes in the 200-meter dash and long jump and the 4x800-meter relay team of Furst, Palma, Matias Palavecino '03, and Thomas Prochilo '04.

Head Coach Kevin Donner was particularly happy with the number of men who made big improvements.

"I was also very pleased with Matias Palavecino in the 1,000m and our two hurdlers making the Championship final," Donner said.

Furst said he was also impressed with Palavecino, John Trotta '06 and Kevin Walsh '04 in the distance medley relay.

"As always, Noel was one of the best athletes on the track, and the hurdlers [Rich Alexander '03 and Darrell Perry '03] showed promise by advancing to the finals. So if we can develop those aspects of our team, we will be in good shape for leagues."

Amy Calvo '05 was the sole ECAC qualifier for the Lady Bison in her 500-meter run school record, but the women did have a number of other close calls. Nikki

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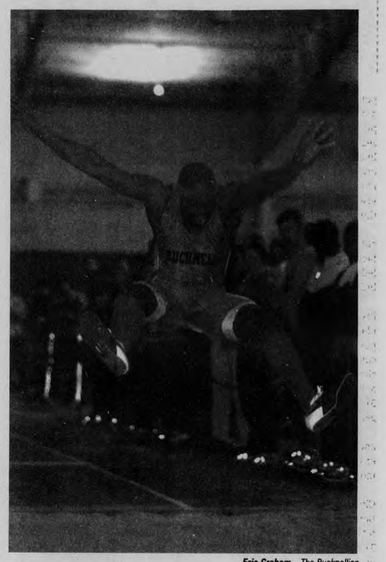

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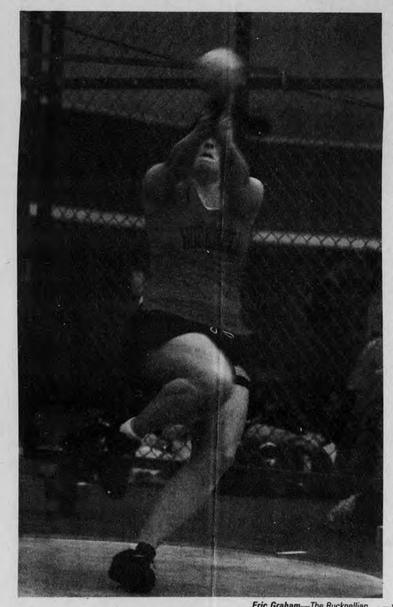
Noel Powell '04 leaps into the pit during the long jump last Saturday. Powell had a stellar day, qualifying provisionally for Nationals.



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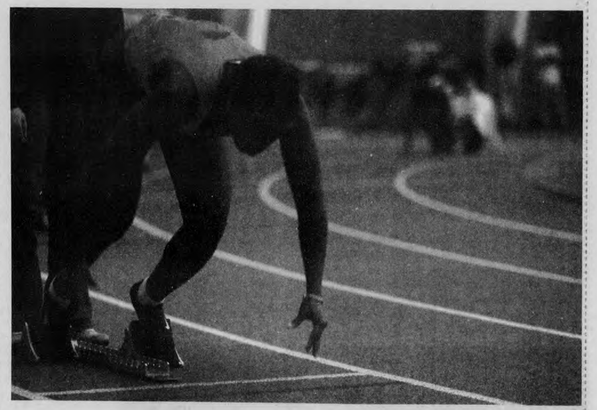
Liz Pendleton '05 hurls the 20-pound weight en route to her second - place finish. Bison throwers swept the first two places in the event.



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Cindy Darius '05 takes off at the start of the 200-meter dash during Saturday's Bison Octagonal. The women's team outdistanced its nearest opponent by 55.5 points, beating runner-up Temple by a score of 157.5-102.

Calendar

Men's Basketball
at Colgate
Friday, Jan. 31
7:45 p.m.

Women's Basketball
at Colgate
Friday, Jan. 31
5:30 p.m.

Bison Open
Track Meet
Saturday, Feb. 1
All Day

Men's and Women's
Swimming
vs. Lehigh
Saturday, Feb. 1
2 p.m.

Men's Basketball
at Holy Cross
Sunday, Feb. 2
3:15 p.m.

Women's Basketball
at Holy Cross
Sunday, Feb. 2
1:00 p.m.

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Sports Editor

What's so wrong with a rout?

At about this time last year, I was composing a column that highlighted the most heart-pounding, tight-to-the-wire Super Bowls in history, a compilation and comparison that seemed appropriate after the New England Patriots had just sealed a thriller against the St. Louis Rams. A game like that usually generates a few nominations for ownership of the title "The Greatest Super Bowl Ever." There was, of course, no such buzz this year, after the Tampa Bay Buccaneers utterly thumped the Oakland Raiders last Sunday evening.

In fact, the prevalent attitude among football enthusiasts seems to be that this game was satisfactory at best. Not enough suspense. Complete lethargy from one side of the field. Very little nail-biting.

Most people have already filed the game into a historical category designated expressly for the placement of games that an individual could not possibly have enjoyed unless under one or any combination of the following circumstances: he or she 1) is a fan of the winning team; 2) had placed a "friendly wager" benefiting from the outcome; or 3) chose to imbibe a significant portion of special game day beverages.

The Bucs' romp will join a host of other routs and embarrassments in this category. For whatever they're worth, here are a few of the Big Game's most uneven installments.

Super Bowl I, Green Bay Packers 35, Kansas City Chiefs 10: It wasn't yet referred to as the Super Bowl, and that's all for the better, because it wasn't exactly super. Bart Starr was. Max McGee was. The whole Packers' team was. The Chiefs, however, were not. The second half saw the Packers blank the Chiefs 21-0 en route to an anticlimactic championship.

Super Bowl XVIII, Los Angeles Raiders 38, Washington Redskins 9: The silver and black of 25 years ago outdid the Packers' Super Bowl I effort by scoring 38 points and distancing the Redskins by a 29-point expanse. Running back Marcus Allen sliced up the defense for 191 yards on 20 carries, earning MVP honors as the Raiders breezed to a relatively uneventful victory.

Super Bowl XX, Chicago Bears 46, New England Patriots 10: This was the game that transcended the term "rout" and established the tradition of absolute blowouts in the Super Bowl. It was so lopsided that the Bears eventually stopped playing football and started simply toying with their painfully outmatched rival. The Patriots allowed seven sacks and managed only to squeak out a paltry seven rushing yards. The New Englanders would have no choice but to shuffle away in shame, while the Bears eventually shuffled on into the realm of pop culture history.

Super Bowl XXII, Washington Redskins 42, Denver Broncos 10: This one started out a little one-sided as Denver tore through the first quarter with a 10-0 lead. Then things got interesting, with the Redskins coming to life in the second quarter. Then things got boring again, with the Redskins transforming the small comeback into a seemingly endless scoring skein. By halftime, it was a 35-10 game. The befuddled Broncos had apparently burned everything coming out of the gate, and couldn't even throw a speed bump into Washington's path to 42 unanswered points. Better luck next time, Bucky D.

Super Bowl XXIV, San Francisco Forty-Niners 55, Denver Broncos 10: This contest, if it can even be called that, made Super Bowl XX look like an indecipherable photo finish. All that Denver quarterback John Elway had to say before the game was that his Broncos would "show up." When? 1998? They didn't show much of anything against Joe Montana's barnburning 49ers, who outgained Denver 461-167. The good news for the Broncos was that after this performance, nobody remembered Super Bowl XXII anymore.

Super Bowl XXVII, Dallas Cowboys 52, Buffalo Bills 17: The Bills of the early '90s had a remarkable ability to discover and execute new ways to screw up in the Super Bowl every year. This time they coughed up the ball nine times, which the Cowboys converted into 35 of their almost-record 52 points. And it would have been more than "almost" if not for one Buffalo play that single-handedly made up for the game's overall level of sheer dullness. The Cowboys' Leon Lett picked up a fumble, strutted downfield and launched into a pretentious display of celebratory antics as he prepared to tack another seven points onto Dallas' 52-17 lead, when in flew 5-foot-11-inch Buffalo receiver Don Beebe, zeroing in on the ball like a kestrel after a field mouse. The gutty Beebe punched the ball right out of Lett's grip and provided an incredibly satisfying moment for anyone who bothered to stick with the game, long enough to see it happen.

Super Bowl XXIX, San Francisco Forty-Niners 49, San Diego Chargers 26: The Niners didn't have to fight very hard to pin down their record fifth Super Bowl victory. Steve Young slung the ball into the end zone a record six times, with three of those passes landing in the arms of Jerry Rice. The Niners' manhandling of the Chargers contributed to the game's record for total scoring—the two teams managed to throw a combined 75 points on the board.

Super Bowl XXXV, Baltimore Ravens 34, New York Giants 7: The Ravens defense simply devoured the Giants, who had apparently squeezed their offensive potential dry in a 41-0 NFC Championship victory. The beastly Baltimore team forced five turnovers and four sacks, and didn't allow New York to score a single offensive point. The last time Baltimore had won a Super Bowl, they gave the MVP to someone on the losing team. It's a shame they couldn't do that this time around, but instead they gave it to diabolical linebacker Ray Lewis, in a move that temporarily deconstructed all remnants of the world's sense of justice.

Should we now toss Super Bowl XXXVII into the land of no-contests, walkovers and games that never get more intense than the coin toss? After all, the hapless Raiders couldn't even hold the Buccaneers scoreless for the last five seconds of the game, and league MVP Rich Gannon chucked half as many interceptions in one game as he did the entire 2002 regular season. One team made the other look completely inept.

So does one really need to be completely blotted to harbor any real appreciation for this kind of football? Not necessarily. Suspense is overrated; sheer domination can be pretty intoxicating in its own way. Anyway, they can't all be like Super Bowl XXXIV—if they were, we'd probably all die of coronary arrest after about five Super Bowls.

Scott Kloss
Senior Writer

Between the whistles

By now everyone knows about the Bucs defeating the Raiders 48-21 last week in Super Bowl XXXVII.

But while the colossal giants of the gridiron were catching their breath, a phenomenon of equal magnitude to the game itself was occurring, which will continue to be the talk of the office or classroom for many weeks to come. Between the whistles, a corporate commercial bonanza erupted with hard-hitting giants such as Budweiser, Pepsi, Visa and Gatorade all vying for the coveted "Favorite Super Bowl Commercial," a distinction that has gained notoriety since ads have become equally as anticipated as the game, the commercial craze began with the old Bud Bowl's of the early '90s.

I had the privilege of my girlfriend snuggling on my shoulder and 15 hardcore football fans surrounding us in Roberts Lounge. I can think of no better way to enjoy a Sunday evening. And when we weren't poking fun at John Madden, who we nicknamed "Captain Obvious," due to his superficial commentary that gives each and every sports fan an inkling that he or she can be a sports announcer some day, we remained focused on the 27-inch portal to football heaven. When in the past it was commonplace to use commercials as bathroom breaks or opportunities to order Domino's yet again, due to your friend bringing 10 of his closest buds—times have certainly changed and that 1-2 minute break now demands fans' attention. Let's take a look at the good and the bad of commercials aired.

The Good

1) Have you wondered if your employer was watching your every movement during the workday? Reebok took this issue head on and chimed in with its own comical method of increasing office productivity by hiring an "official office linebacker" named Terry Tate. Tackling associates who used the company phone to calling long distance, or employees that did not attach a cover sheet to the "TPS reports" à la "Office Space," Tate was a truly ubiquitous force. The entire lounge busted out in laughter each time Tate took out an unsuspecting employee with a blind-side hit equal in force to a Ford truck traveling 20 mph straight at you!

2) Have you ever wanted to surprise your significant other and just weren't sure if he or she would like it? Pizza Hut appealed to all the aspiring romantic men out there that "give it the old college try," but find themselves a few pennies short of a dime. In this commercial a boyfriend tells his girlfriend to "Close your eyes, I have a surprise for you." The commercial cuts to a couch inside her apartment with the boyfriend pigging out on the Pizza Hut's stuffed crust gold pizza with his girlfriend asking if she can open her eyes yet in the background. Showing that the spirit of giving is just as satisfying as receiving. If this new stuffed crust pizza is not enough to send you to the hospital, you can thank Pizza Hut for yet another excuse to hit the new gym!

3) Maybe it's because of my keen eye for theatrical happenings, but I was extremely impressed by some of the upcoming movies hitting the theater this summer. Leading off is "Terminator 3: Rise of the Machine." Fighting futurist robots are hell-bent on destroying human civilization, and only one "being" can save John Connors from eminent doom. His name is Arnold Schwarzenegger. With high-tech explosions and great storylines, this is one movie to catch. Next was the "Matrix" sequel. I loved the first installment of this saga, and if previews are any indication, we should be in for another entertaining ride in "Matrix 2: Reloaded." Constant action with Morphous and Neo trying to save what is left of the human resistance.

Honorable Mentions

The Budweiser Clydesdale horses involved in a football game take a timeout to review the previous play. At first you see a horse diving for a football, then that play is rewound on a portable television. Eventually the camera pans out to see that the referee zebra was reviewing a play with both horse teams watching on intently.

Diet Pepsi also came on strong with a Woodstock-like piece. A young male is bouncing around at a mud-concert, only to look over to his left to see his dad head-banging only 10 feet away. Dumbfounded at the sight, the kid witnesses his dad pull out a Diet Pepsi, taking a sip and continuing his moshing.

The Less Than Good

Cadillac! It was like a bad dream reoccurring, with Cadillac appearing as the glaring "Which choice of the set does not belong" answer. As the culture of Super Bowl commercials change to a battleground of highly sophisticated and comical staging grounds, we had Cadillac in its ever too familiar side view of its cars with Low APR financing graphics. While Cadillac may have a quality car, having Tate try to tackle one of its cars might have been more suitable.

Finally, how about Gatorade's commercial with Michael Jordan playing his younger self? It was a nifty idea to have the current MJ playing (on the Wizards) playing one-on-one with his younger self (on the Bulls), but I don't think anyone really made the connection to Gatorade at all during the commercial.

And think, this all happened between the whistles.

Me Like Sports twee

Aaron DeRosa
Senior Editor

Coaches win championships

In Tampa, birds chirp at the return of their swashbuckling heroes. In California, the colors black and silver have been retired and those who persist in wearing them are shunned with glares while barbed invectives are hurled at them with the consistency of a well-manicured crème brûlée. In Peking, a butterfly flaps its wings. In Illinois, a pale virgin with auburn tresses is caught out in the rain. And in a quaint dorm room in Lewisburg, Pa., a small boy sits and rethinks his perception of professional football.

I'm not necessarily talking about how the game is played, how the birth of the mobile quarterback takes pressure off the running back position, nor am I talking about the integrity of athletes, revamping overtime, vapid commentary, incompetent referees or the pitiful future of the Cincinnati Bengals. I am referring to coaching.

Now I don't pretend to know the intricacies of the head coaching position. I do know that on a football team, the head coach has an almost unidentifiable number of assistants, and his own job can range from general management duties to third string offensive line coach.

I think the importance of a coach is solely determinant on two accessories: the style of headset he wears and the size of his clipboard. Whereas Raiders coach Bill Callahan is used to the single-ear headset and the banal 8.5-by-11-inch playbook he waves around, Buccaneers coach Jon Gruden wears the double-ear set and boasts an 11-by-17-inch board.

What all this leads up to is the importance of redefining the adage that has stuck with football for a good number of years. What formerly read "Offense wins games; defense wins championships," I hereby modify to read "Players win games; coaches win championships." Heretofore, all usage of these words in the English language will cease and I will be given full rights and credit for their employment in daily speech, including all uses of the semicolon.

It makes sense though. More and more these days, coaching has been the difference. Last year we watched Bill Belichek run defensive circles around Mike Martz, who was so flummoxed that someone deciphered his offensive hieroglyphs that the only way he saw fit to respond was by using the exact same scheme the next season. Meanwhile, every team with a VCR pored over Super Bowl XXXVI with the scrutiny of a De Beers appraiser like it was the Rosetta Stone.

Belichek's schemes won that championship. He willed his team to success and took it on his back when he was told he didn't stand a chance to beat the Rams. Tom Brady, Adam Vinatieri, Troy Brown … nothing without Belichek to keep them solid.

This year the big news was Tampa Bay's hefty trade for Jon Gruden, *which paid out pretty well for the Bucs. The fact that it cost Tampa Bay four draft picks and a few million just to get Gruden out of his old contract,* not to mention pay for a new one, *is a pretty good sign where priorities have shifted.*

Meanwhile, heir apparent to the Raiders, Bill Callahan, decided not to tinker with a working watch. And they were successful until they faced the man who built the offense in the first place. Did it not occur to Callahan that Gruden might be able to deconstruct their plays a little more adeptly than the average head coach in the league? We're not talking about Ranger Joe here. Gruden is a little smarter than the average bear when it comes to the Raiders. At one point in the broadcast, Buccaneer safety Jon Lynch said something about the Raiders offense to the effect of "It's exactly what coach showed us, it's exactly what we practiced."

And now, so much emphasis is being placed on the coach these days that Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones has signed Bill Parcells to head his team. This matchup has "catastrophic succubus of all that is good" written all over it. It's like bad cop-bad cop. Neither of these men have shared so much as a sandwich since they were playing with blocks at recess. But the desire for Jones to field a winning team is enough to submit (to what extent remains to be seen) to Parcells' desires and lure him out of retirement with visions of sugarplums and KFC popcorn chicken.

Most recently, place kicker Mike Vanderjagt of the Indianapolis Colts spoke out against quarterback Peyton Manning and coach Tony Dungy (former Buccaneer coach deposed by Gruden himself) for not having enough flare to take the Colts to the championship. And although he may just be a kicker, he does have a point. It takes a certain coach to guide a team to a Super Bowl win.

I heard once that the most difficult thing for coaches to do is to go into the locker room at halftime of the Super Bowl and tell their team that the strategy that worked all season is failing and that they need to start from scratch. If this is the case, Bill Callahan obviously lost his voice because when the Raiders took the field in the second half, they didn't bother with the formality of "trying."

But coaching legends like Bill Walsh, Jimmy Johnson or Bill Parcells guide their teams through adversity and ultimately, through other teams. Coaches aren't just necessary for success, they're fundamental. A good coach molds a team; a great coach drives a team. It seems fitting that the ultimate football award should be named after a head coach.

The Super Bowl–have we forgotten about the game?

By Mark Walker
Staff Writer

If you ask me, Super Bowl Sunday should be considered a national holiday. For about four hours, the nation seemingly shuts down, as people of all ages and interests gather around the television to watch the big game with friends and family. Does this mean that on Super Bowl Sunday, the whole country suddenly becomes NFL fans? Not at all! People who do not like football watch the Super Bowl for many reasons that have nothing to do with the game. For example, some people tune in to see Hollywood stars on display, while others tune in to watch the funny commercials.

It does not at all bother me that many people are uninterested in the game itself and will not remember the final score an hour after the game ends. What does bother me is when all of the hype and hoopla that surrounds the Super Bowl gets in the way of the game and the fans that do care about its outcome. From warm-ups to the post-game ceremony, unneeded distractions continually disrupt the game.

Throughout the game, a larger than normal amount of commercials were aired. Like most people, I enjoy the Super Bowl commercials, but not when they have commercial breaks both before and after kickoffs! Obviously, ABC had to get sponsors, but the amount of commercial time could have been significantly shortened had the network not repeatedly promoted its own shows like "Alias," "Jimmy Kimmel Live" and "Are You Hot." As a result of the extended commercial breaks the teams had greater difficulty maintaining momentum and intensity throughout the media timeouts.

Perhaps the greatest disruption for fans came in the first half when Central Pennsylvania's ABC affiliate decided to interrupt the game to fulfill their commitment to show the lottery drawing. Many Raider fans surely had flashbacks to the "Heidi Bowl" as this occurred. For one or two minutes, the Super Bowl was condensed into a tiny box in the lower left corner, while the Pennsylvania Lottery drawing was shown with sound in a much larger box. It is appalling that the lottery was considered more important than the Super Bowl! For the few people whose lives might have been hinging on the outcome of the lottery, ABC could have simply flashed the winning numbers across the bottom of the screen.

Then came the famous Super Bowl halftime show. This year, we were treated to performances by Shania Twain, No Doubt and Sting. For about 30 minutes, Qualcomm Stadium was converted from a football stadium to a concert venue. The field was flooded with screaming fans and pyrotechnics as the performers sang (or pretended to sing) their hit songs. Providing halftime entertainment would be great if it were not for the fact that it doubles the length of halftime. Extending halftime gives players more time to tighten up in the locker room and to lose the rhythm of the game. At the same time, it offers the coaches more time to regroup and change their game plans, which could give an unfair advantage to a team that needs to make more adjustments.

Another consequence of the halftime spectacular is the smoke that it leaves behind. During the first few plays of the second half, smoke from the pyrotechnics lingered in the stadium, which was surely somewhat disruptive to the players and fans in the stadium.

When the game finally ended with the Bucs winning 48-21, the distractions still did not conclude. After pulling off the upset, the Bucs wanted nothing more than to hold the cherished Vince Lombardi Trophy. They were kept in suspense, as the NFL brought Bon Jovi on the field to wrap up the season. Being from New Jersey, Bon Jovi is my favorite artist, but I found it absolutely appalling that they would schedule him to play before the Bucs got the Vince Lombardi Trophy. This was the Bucs' golden hour, and bringing Bon Jovi on the field took the spotlight off the Bucs and their accomplishments. Then, after presenting them with the Trophy, Bon Jovi played another song as the Bucs and NFL fans worldwide were left waiting for the MVP announcement. Having just won the Super Bowl, the last thing Tampa Bay's players and fans wanted to do was sit through two Bon Jovi songs before they could get on with the victory celebration.

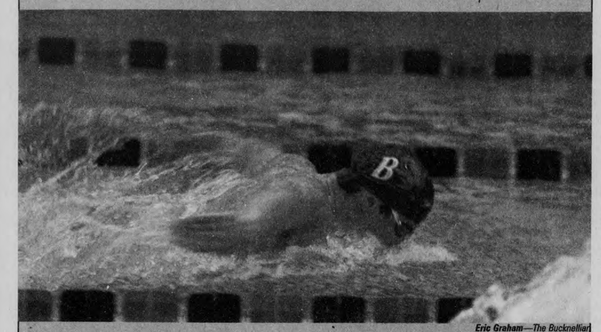
It is great that the Super Bowl has become such a spectacle that it appeals to just about everyone. People must not lose sight of the real purpose of the Super Bowl. The Hollywood aspects of this event are great as long as they do not interfere with the game. However, every year, the non-football aspects of the Super Bowl overshadow the game more and more. The NFL must step in and prevent the Super Bowl from becoming any more of a circus!

Sports

Men's swimming prepares for P.L. Championships

By Lauren O'Connor
Staff Writer

Coming off of two consecutive wins, the Bucknell men's swimming and diving team is hoping to end its season with a 4-2 record by defeating Lehigh and placing well at the Patriot League Championship Meet. Both meets will be held at the Kinney Natatorium. The meet against Lehigh will be held tomorrow. The Patriot League Championships will be held from Feb. 20-22.



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

A Bison swimmer speeds through the water earlier this season at Kinney Natatorium. The Bison are gearing up for the quickly-approaching Patriot League Championships, which take place at Bucknell on Feb. 20-22.

This first goal can be achieved if the men continue to swim well, as they have for the past two meets.

"The [Colgate] meet helped build our confidence and prepare us for our meet against Lehigh in two weeks and for Patriot League Championships," swimmer Todd Bauer '06 said.

Bauer's teammate and classmate Brian Cole '06 said "Lehigh matches up with our squad very well. The only way we can win this meet is to knock off their top swimmers."

As in past meets, all swimmers will be relied on to earn the points that lead to a victory.

"Coach Jerry Foley will be looking at members of each class, especially freshmen Bauer and Mark Kretzer [to swim well]. Diver Adam Freeman '05 will play an integral role in the meet and is expected to defeat the Lehigh divers," Cole said.

Following the Lehigh meet, there will be two weekends without any competitions in order for the team to prepare for the Patriot League Championships. This meet, unlike a duel meets, is held in a trials/finals format. Last year Lehigh won top honors, followed by American, Army and Bucknell, respectively. Bucknell will be looking to improve upon this performance in its new pool.

Women continue their winning streak

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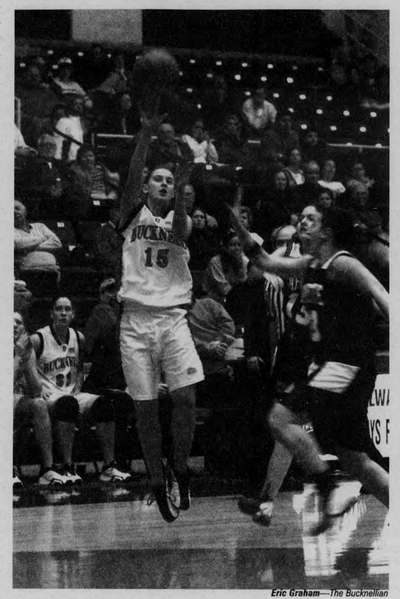
from a driving Leopard and rifled a baseball pass to Desire Almind '04 for an easy lay up. The stingy defense forced seven Lafayette turnovers in the next 10 minutes, allowing the offense to unleash a 22-9 run that stretched the Bison lead to 70-58. Franks scored seven points to pace an offense that included scores from six different players. The Bison were never threatened the rest of the game and cruised to a 14-point victory.

The Orange and Blue's triple threat was somewhat contained in the first half, but knew no limits in the second. Franks, Creamer and Almind combined to shoot almost 60 percent from the floor and had nine steals. They amassed 70 of Bucknell's 87 points.



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Point guard Lindsey Geosits '06 fires off a shot during last Sunday's game. The Bison dominated Lafayette, winning the contest 87-73.

"It's a much more fun game when we get out and run," All-Patriot League candidate Franks said. "We love to try and wear teams out and beat them down."

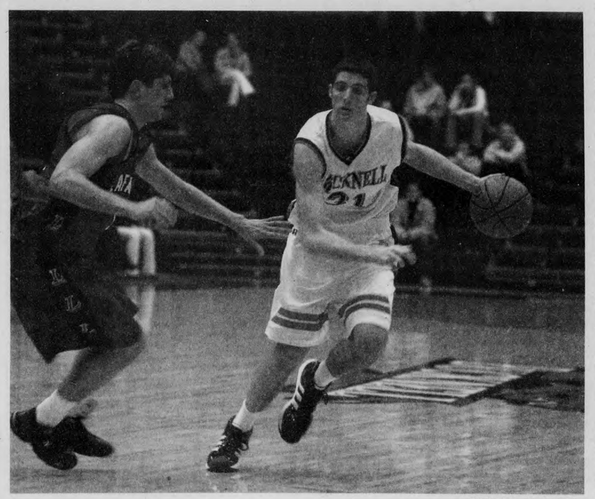
Franks scorched the nets with 26 points, including 3-5 from downtown, to lead the way. Almind dominated the low post with lay ups en route to 22 points. Creamer recorded 22 points and a season-high 13 assists for her third double-double of the season. "Obviously it's a huge advantage for Des and I to have Molly out there," Franks said. "It's great when we have Molly handing us the ball under the hoop for lay ups."

The Bison square off today at 5:30 p.m. before traveling to Holy Cross on Sunday at 1 p.m.

Men head into biggest weekend of the year

M-BBALL From page B1

a Jeremiah Bennett '04 three-point field goal in the game's final minute.



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Chris Niesz '05 charges downcourt against Lafayette on Sunday. The Bison defeated the Leopards 68-48.

Quinn finished the contest with 12 points in his second consecutive double-figure scoring game. Bettencourt finished with nine points, four assists and three steals, while Lalugba tallied his 10th double-double of the 2002-2003 campaign. It was the squad's largest victory over Lafayette since 1995, when the Bison won 71-49.

The team takes its newfound confidence on the road tonight to Colgate, and will travel to league powerhouse Holy Cross on Sunday for a contest that could potentially be played for first place in the Patriot League. Flannery emphasized the squad's primary focus on Colgate during the week, rather than preparing the team for Holy Cross as well.

"It has been a real good group to work with. Everyone is looking forward to going up to Colgate and Holy Cross this weekend," Flannery said. "The way that we have approached these weekend double-headers is to get ready for Holy Cross on Saturday. During the week we don't speak much of it."

Quinn and Webber spoke similarly to Flannery about the upcoming weekend matchups.

"As a player, we approach these games one at a time," Quinn said. "The only opponent on our minds right now is Colgate. We cannot count on things falling in the right place to set up a first place game with Holy Cross. We just have to go out there and play because we are the only team that we can control. It is too early to worry about the Patriot League standings."

Though not stressed, the team realizes this weekend's significance in the standings.

"This is our biggest weekend of the year," Webber said. "We have a chance to move way up in the standings and set a tone going into the second half of league play. Anytime you can get wins on the road it is good. We need to stay focused in practice and everything will be fine."

The Bison face off against Colgate at 7:45 p.m.

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graduation, those events are open to Bucknell's Daniela Faas '04 in the 1,000 and 500 free, and either Mary Krakowski '06 or Jackie Feinthel '05 in the 200 fly.

This week marks the beginning of taper for the team, an elongated period of rest before its championship meet. Physical and mental preparation are essential, and after a strong base of training, this year's taper should be highly successful.

In the 2002 Patriot League Championships at Navy, the women finished 2nd behind Navy 663-632. Earlier this year, the Bison were able to defeat the Naval Academy in a duel meet 163-137.

This win puts the Bison women in position to win this year's title. Look for strong performances by Daniela Faas '04, Darby Golino '03, Meghan Freese '04 and Jamie Flick '05. Faas medaled three times last year in the 1,650 free (1st), the 500 free (2nd) and the 400-meter individual medley (3rd). Co-captain Golino and Flick were silver medalists in the 100 and 200 backstrokes and the 100 and 200 breast strokes, respectively. Freese brought home a win in the 50 free and a silver medal in the 100 free.

With this season's experience, and the graduation of medal winners from both Lehigh and American, the team is in a much stronger position than a year ago.

"You can't start finishing until you have finished starting," Assistant Coach Sandy Elion said. "Our meet against Lehigh will be the end of what we started in a flawless duel meet season, and I have full confidence that we can finish with a win at Championships."

Look for the Bison women as they continue their season against Lehigh this weekend at the Kinsey Natatorium.

TRACK From page B2

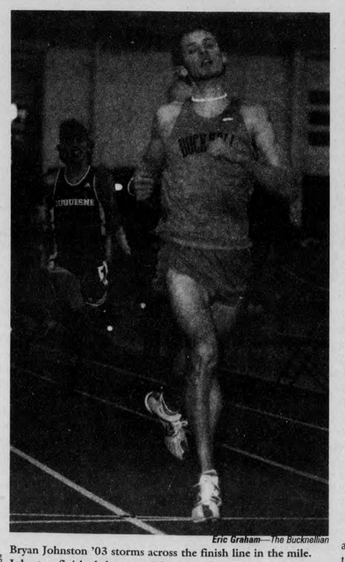
Piper '03 placed 3rd in the 800-meter run, Monique Boley '04 placed 5th and Charity Brady '03 placed 5th in the 500 and 400, respectively, and the 4x400-meter relay contingent of Calvo, Piper, Boley, and Brady placed 4th.

Donner praised Kayla Halloran '06 and Jen O'Connor '06 in the mile, Tolu Fayanjuola '05 in the high jump and Abby Bouzan-Kaloustian '04 in the pole vault for strong individual showings.

"We really need to focus on staying healthy and being able to train at or close to 100 percent. Some of our athletes need to start perceiving themselves more as big time athletes. Our tough schedule will eventually force them to do so," Donner said.

The players realize they have to improve as well.

"We are a young team and we are going to have to keep working hard to contend for the league championship again this year," Piper said.



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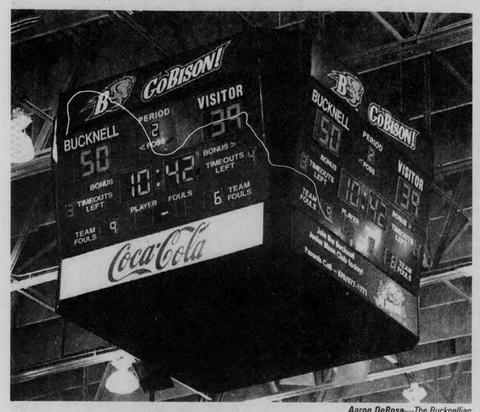
Bryan Johnston '03 storms across the finish line in the mile. Johnston finished the race with a time of 4:17.29.

The next step towards leagues will be taken this weekend as the Bison play host to seven schools.

"On the men's side, St. Francis has a well-balanced team throughout all the events, and Rider is very much improved and is especially strong in the sprints, hurdles and jumps," Donner said. "Look for some very fast times in the 55 hurdles from the Rider guys along with some very hot middle distance events. On the women's side, Duquesne looks to be a very tough team along with Rider and St. Francis. I expect the long jump and the shot put to be the featured events. I am predicting it will take close to 18 feet to make the final in the long jump and over 40 feet to make the final in the shot put."

Sports



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Sports Statistics

LAFAYETTE vs BUCKNELL
1/26/03 1:00 p.m. at Lewisburg, Pa. (Sojka Pavilion)

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20 Smith, Chelsea.....	f 1-3	0-0	3-6	1	4	5	4	5	0	0	0	0	18
15 Geosits, Lindsey....	g 2-4	0-0	0-0	0	2	2	2	4	5	2	0	2	31
23 Creamer, Molly.....	g 7-14	2-4	6-9	0	2	2	2	22	13	3	0	3	38
32 Franks, Kate.....	g 9-13	3-5	5-5	1	1	2	1	26	2	1	2	1	40
31 Ketcham, Amy.....	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	2	2	1	2	0	1	0	1	9
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ARMY vs BUCKNELL
1/24/03 5:30 p.m. at Lewisburg, Pa. (Sojka Pavilion)

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23 Creamer, Molly.....	g 8-19	4-10	12-13	0	2	2	1	32	6	4	0	2	40
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21 Hettler, Katie.....	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
33 Ruth, Jennie.....	0-2	0-0	0-0	2	2	4	3	0	0	0	1	0	17
55 Edwards, Mary.....	1-1	0-0	3-4	0	1	1	4	5	0	2	1	0	18
Totals.....	20-45	5-14	27-32	7	24	31	22	72	13	17	4	6	200

TOTAL FG% 1st Half: 11-24 .458 2nd Half: 9-21 .429 Game: .444 DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG% 1st Half: 2-8 .250 2nd Half: 3-6 .500 Game: .357 REBOUNDS
F Throw % 1st Half: 13-14 .929 2nd Half: 14-18 .778 Game: .844 1

Lafayette vs. Bucknell
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	TOT-FG	3-PT	REBOUNDS								
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04 Lalugba, Boakai.....	f 9-15	0-0	5-9	2	13	15	1	23	2	2	2	1	35
25 Quinn, Matt.....	f 4-8	1-5	3-3	3	2	5	1	12	3	3	0	1	27
00 Skornik, Davorin....	c 2-3	0-0	0-1	1	0	1	4	4	2	1	2	1	21
05 Blankenship, Dan....	g 2-9	1-4	2-4	0	4	4	2	7	6	3	0	0	36
12 Bettencourt, Kevin..	g 3-7	3-5	0-0	2	1	3	2	9	4	1	0	3	26
10 Webber, Roland.....	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	3	3	2	0	0	2	0	1	16
21 Namvou, Jack.....	0-0	0-0	2-2	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
22 Mack, Holland.....	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
31 Niesz, Chris.....	2-6	2-6	0-0	1	2	3	0	6	2	0	0	0	16
42 Hardenbergh, Jordan.	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	1	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	10
44 Viaer-McClymont, T..	0-0	0-0	2-4	4	0	4	0	2	0	1	0	0	8
50 Bennett, Jeremiah...	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	3	0	2	0	0	2
Totals.....	27-51	8-22	14-23	15	29	44	14	68	19	17	4	7	200

TOTAL FG% 1st Half: 11-29 .379 2nd Half: 12-22 .545 Game: .451 DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG% 1st Half: 3-13 .308 2nd Half: 4-9 .444 Game: .364 REBOUNDS
F Throw % 1st Half: 3-7 .429 2nd Half: 11-16 .688 Game: .609 4

Army vs. Bucknell
1/24/03 7:45 p.m. at Lewisburg, Pa. (Sojka Pavilion)

	TOT-FG	3-PT	REBOUNDS								
## Player Name	FG-FGA	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	OF	DE	TOT	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
04 Lalugba, Boakai.....	f 4-7	0-0	3-6	2	8	10	1	11	3	4	0	2	37
25 Quinn, Matt.....	f 5-10	3-7	0-0	1	0	1	0	13	0	5	0	2	21
00 Skornik, Davorin....	c 1-2	0-0	1-6	3	8	11	1	3	0	0	1	1	23
05 Blankenship, Dan....	g 1-5	0-1	5-6	0	1	1	3	7	3	1	0	0	38
12 Bettencourt, Kevin..	g 3-9	2-7	1-1	0	2	2	0	9	4	0	0	3	31
10 Webber, Roland.....	0-3	0-2	0-0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	13
21 Namvou, Jack.....	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
31 Niesz, Chris.....	1-6	1-4	0-0	1	5	6	1	3	0	0	0	0	20
42 Hardenbergh, Jordan.	2-3	1-2	2-3	2	1	3	3	7	0	0	0	0	14
44 Viaer-McClymont, T..	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1
50 Bennett, Jeremiah...	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Totals.....	17-45	7-23	12-22	9	26	35	11	53	11	11	1	8	200

TOTAL FG% 1st Half: 12-26 .462 2nd Half: 5-19 .263 Game: .378 DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG% 1st Half: 5-13 .385 2nd Half: 2-10 .200 Game: .304 REBOUNDS
F Throw % 1st Half: 3-8 .375 2nd Half: 9-14 .643 Game: .545 8

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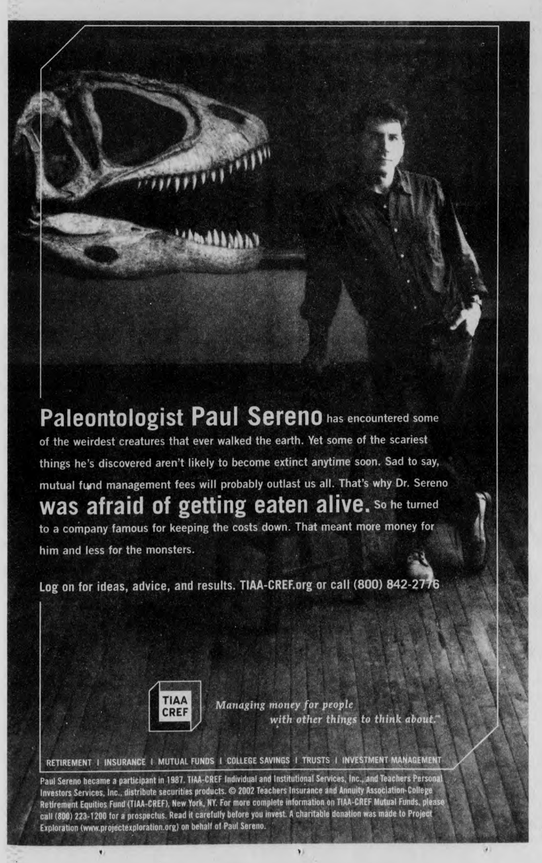

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Arts & Entertainment

Off-Broadway musical on campus

By Alyson Walker
Features Editor

"I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change," a musical about the ups and downs of dating, mating, marriage, parenthood, divorce and all the embarrassing incidents they create, was performed last Friday at the Weis Center for the Performing Arts.

The cast, consisting of Charma Bonanno, Neal Young, Kate Willinger and Joe Ricci, was accompanied by pianist David Wolfson and violinist Marilyn Savilla. The actors played a variety of different roles throughout the many skits that made up each act.

Eric Graham—*The Bucknellian*

Charma Bonanno and Neal Young performed in "I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change." Both students and actors enjoyed the show.

The first act opened with all four actors on stage in white robes, making Biblical references to the creation of mankind and the order to go forth and multiply. It then segued into the turmoil of dating. Skits included "The Men who Talk and the Women who Pretend to Listen," which showed two different couples on dates. Both women pretend to enjoy their dinner conversation while they make asides to the audience about their lies and frustration. Both women, although bored, ultimately decide to give their dates another chance because of the shortage in good men.

Another skit mocked the lack of time left for dating in people's hectic schedules. The woman meets the man for the first date and immediately asks if they can just pretend they are on the second date because she's a very busy woman and does not have time to waste. The two begin to skip through their relationship to their third date, their first time consummating the relationship, their first argument, the breakup and the first time they see each other post-breakup. The two decide that the relationship cannot work and promptly say goodnight.

The first act closed with a scene about cold feet before a wedding, with the ministers taunting the bride and groom about whether or not they really want to get married. After testing them with statements such as "His family is your family now" and "Your bachelor days are over," the two realize they do love each other and decide to marry.

Jessica Orsulak '05 enjoyed the show, which she found was based upon common conceptions of relationships.

"The show played on a lot of stereotypes, but they were things that most couples can completely identify with," Orsulak said.

While the first act focused on the trip to the altar, the second act dealt with what comes after the wedding day. In "What Happened to Baby's Parents," a couple with a new child entertains their single friend with a slide show of Junior while speaking in baby talk. They are so enraptured with their own child that they kiss the baby monitor every time they think Junior might have cried. At one point, the mother says to the father, "I'm so glad you fertilized my egg." The frustrated friend complains to the father about the change in his behavior and leaves his bewildered friend, saying to call when Junior's out of the house.

"They could not have more accurately portrayed relationships in America. The play captured the ridiculous nature of the modern relationship/marriage," Mark Perna '03 said.

Other skits dealt with a family car trip, dating after the death of a partner and the time spent waiting for someone in a relationship—either at the mall, the game or in a line for the bathroom.

One skit portrayed a woman filming a dating tape after getting divorced. "The First Dating Video of Rose Ritz" was performed with Bonanno sitting with her back to the audience, facing a video camera. The audience saw her face through a television, as though they were the men who would eventually watch the video. She tries at first to make a happy and upbeat video, but she returns again and again to her divorce and how she felt about her husband leaving her for an older woman. Bonanno said that "Rose Ritz" is her favorite scene to perform.

"I never quite know exactly where [Rose Ritz] is going to go—it's recreated at the moment, depending on the audience," Bonnano said. "It's always unexpected; it's always fresh."

Young said that audiences tend to receive the show differently.

"I sing 'Shouldn't I be Less in Love with You?' which I enjoy because it explores the experiences of many. It's a very affirmative piece about marriage and love," Young said. "I also enjoy 'Stud and Babe' because it's just a lot of fun."

Young said that the show is received differently by audiences. Certain parts get bigger laughs depending upon the crowd and their personal experiences. He explained why the show has been so popular.

"The show spans from the first date to kids to divorce and treats them all with a soft, comic touch," Young said.

Bonanno and Young said that there are approximately four or five other productions of "I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change" currently running in North America. Bonanno is in her second season with the show and Young began touring in August. The largest crowd they have performed for on this tour was approximately 2,600 people. Both enjoyed performing at the Weis Center because the loud laughter resonated throughout the entire hall.

"There's nothing like that feeling of getting a good laugh," Bonanno said.

New exhibit opens in Samek Art Gallery

Tyler Kidder—*The Bucknellian*

A student admires Agnes Denes' "Projects for Public Spaces." The exhibit runs through April 6.

By Josh Herwitt
Staff Writer

After the success of the Samek Art Gallery's presentation of "Öyvind Fahlström: The Complete Graphics and Multiples" and "Lewis deSoto: Paranirvana (self-portrait)," a new collection of fine art has arrived on campus. The Samek Art Gallery will be host to "Agnes Denes: Projects for Public Spaces" until April 6.

The opening of the exhibition featured New York art critic and author Eleanor Heartney discussing Denes' work in heavy detail. Curated by Dan Mills, the exhibition displays proposal drawings and other images, models, sculpture and writings of significant public projects that Denes has concentrated on since 1968. A woman overflowing with experience through the social sciences, the humanities and the arts, her ability to visualize these experiences and bring them to life in her artwork is compelling.

In past years, Denes' display and discussion of ecological, cultural and social issues dominated much of her work. Recently, her work has focused on environmental assemblies, such as her 1982 "Wheatfield A Confrontation: Battery Park Landfill, Downtown Manhattan" representing the confrontation between nature and urbanization in New York City.

Another theme displayed throughout Denes' work is the nature of human societies. Her photographs of sheep representing human society are not only humorous, but thought-provoking as well. In Denes' unusual assembled set "Pyramids," she uses tiny figures to demonstrate the abstract notion of human societies. Other pyramid forms are curvilinear, presenting an abstract, untraditional form to geometric shapes. Her work on "Tree Mountain" also illustrates this concept.

Denes has had much of her work displayed in over 300 solo and group exhibitions in the past. Her past awards include four National Endowments and the Rome Prize. Currently living and working in New York, she conducts research at Carnegie Mellon University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology and New York University and attends conferences around the globe.

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Arts & Entertainment

Dixie Chicks: Q&A with students

By Elisabeth Hulette
Staff Writer

Never having been very into awards shows, it was with a slight tilt of my head, a momentary "Huh" and about 3.2 seconds of interest that I regarded the upcoming date for this year's Grammy Awards, set for Feb. 23. It was perhaps with another 1.6 seconds that I considered the Dixie Chicks' nomination for the Best Album of the Year award. After all, I do own the album that elicited the honor in question. But it was not until I was asked to write about the nomination that I began to think about the Dixie Chicks in detail.

So after emerging from a brief period of serious thought, here is what I know about the Dixie Chicks: The group consists of three blonde women who, if nothing else, are talented enough to play their own accompaniment. They have released three albums over the past few years, the most recent of which, "Home," seems to be regarded as the most impressive (as evidenced by their Grammy nomination). The album contains a certain degree of bluegrass influence that sets it apart from the Chicks' other work, and includes a cover version of "Landslide," a song first released by Fleetwood Mac.

The thought did occur to me that even though I may not be entirely well-versed in the Dixie Chicks, there may be people on campus who are. I spent a portion of my Saturday evening asking people in the Bison, some familiar, some not so familiar, the burning question, "How do you feel about the Dixie Chicks?"

The results of my first attempts were discouraging.

One unsuspecting student, Andrew Makar '03, said, "I've heard their music, but I don't really know who they are."

Dan Cross '05, who gave me a bit of a strange look when I inquired about his opinion on the Dixie Chicks, said, "I wouldn't go to one of their concerts." With regard to their Grammy nomination, he said, "I don't really care."

Hmm. Then I thought, perhaps I could get some more in-depth answers if I asked girls instead. Responses began to warm up.

"The only time I ever heard them was at the country line dance place in my home town," Lauren Lombardo '05 said, hurriedly stressing that she has only visited said country line dance place once.

Louise Welling '04 said, "I love country music," and remains the only person who openly admitted that.

Janet Forney '04, when asked if she would consider attending a concert by the Dixie Chicks, responded with a sentiment likely felt by many Bucknellians bored of central Pennsylvania.

"I just want to go to a concert in general- I don't care what it is," Forney said.

"I don't really like country music, but I think the Dixie Chicks cross over [to pop music]. They make me want to sing at the top of my lungs," said Carolyn Strickland, associate director of Campus Activities and Programs.

Aha! I thought. Now we're getting somewhere.

At one table in the Bison I finally struck gold—a whole group of Dixie chick fans, and opinionated ones at that.

"The Dixie Chicks set a role model for the majority of American women who have been divorced," Brandy Fetters '03 said.

"They've been through all these trials and tribulations, and they've still been successful," Katie Baldwin '03 said.

Kathy Morgan '03 said the Chicks "weren't even shy about performing while pregnant, which is awesome."

Baldwin, glancing questioningly in her direction, said, "unless you're Demi Moore on the cover of GQ."

Fetters summing up her support for the trio, said, "I feel that I am a Chick."

Kristen Hughes '06, recalling an older Dixie Chicks tune, said, "The only song I really know by them is the one where they kill that guy."

I immediately recognized her reference to "Goodbye Earl," a song on the Chicks' album "Fly," which describes an abusive husband who is poisoned and disposed of by his wife and her best friend—"Those black-eyed peas/ they tasted all right to me/ Earl/ Ain't it dark/ wrapped up in that tarp/ Earl, hey!"

Fetters said, about the same song, that the Chicks were "very risky with 'Goodbye Earl.' I think Earl did have to die."

"I think Earl had to die, but I'm not sure I support it," Morgan said.

Male support for the Dixie Chicks turned out to be available after all, but hiding in alternate locations.

Nick Scott '04 said, "I got one of their CDs for Christmas, but I haven't listened to it yet."

Scott also said that one of his co-workers at National Park Services in Vermont listens to the Dixie Chicks. Aha! I thought again—maybe fans of the Dixie Chicks congregate in Vermont!

Scott, not supporting my claim, said that in Vermont, "There are people who listen to rap, country and other music, just like any other state."

So there you have it—the Dixie Chicks have somewhat of a following on Bucknell's campus, their more violent songs seem to draw the most support and their fan network is mostly concentrated in the female contingent, at least outside of Vermont. As for their nomination, it appears that most people around here don't really care, although perhaps they will if the Chicks actually win. Maybe we'll even be inspired to go country line dancing. Picture it—cowboy hats and boots all over campus, Bucknellians lassoing the bison.

Uptown packed for punk band

Students filled Uptown to see Simple Plan, a band on Vans' Warped Tour

By Dave Allen
Staff Writer

Hundreds of students filled Uptown for a concert by the French-Canadian punk band Simple Plan last Saturday. The band has played to much larger crowds on the Vans' Warped Tour, but their solid, energetic performance generated an enthusiastic response from the audience.

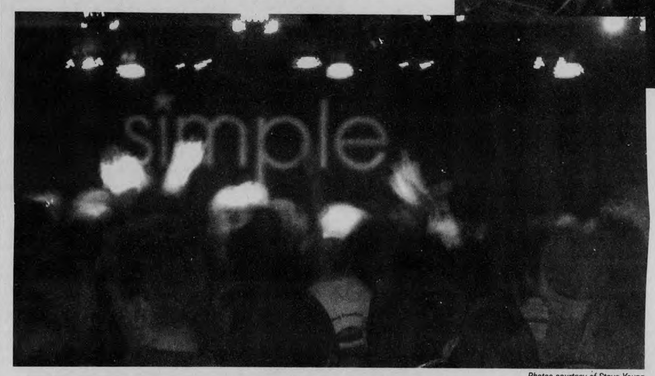
> *"I thought [the band] did a good job. There was a lot of energy and sweaty people here tonight,"*
> *—Jeff Livesay '05*

The band tore through every song from its debut album, "No Pads, No Helmets ... Just Balls," singing lyrics about the confusion and unhappiness of being a teen-ager. There was much interaction between the band and the crowd. Lead singer Pierre Bouvier conversed with the audience and encouraged them to participate by clapping, jumping or doing call-and-response. The audience sang along with all of the band's songs, not just "I'd Do Anything" and "I'm Just a Kid," which have been played on MTV and WVBU.

They also included a cover of "American Jesus" by the band Bad Religion, one of the progenitors of the American punk rock scene.

Although the sound of the guitars occasionally overpowered the singing and made the lyrics indistinct, bassist David Desrosiers and guitarist Sebastien Lefebvre could be heard singing effective and tuneful harmonies with Bouvier. Bouvier, Desrosiers, Lefebvre and guitarist Jeff Stinco performed many leaps in unison as drummer Chuck Comeau pummeled each song to its conclusion. In appreciation of the audience, the band threw souvenir guitar picks into the crowd and doused the dancing and bouncing fans with bottles of water.

Bouvier greeted the audience with "Hello, Philadelphia!" when he took the stage. Later in the show, he asked exactly where he was.



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A Simple Plan's Pierre Bouvier performs at Uptown. The audience sang along to Bouvier's songs including "I'll Do Anything," and "I'm Just a Kid." Uptown was filled to capacity throughout the entire performance.

"It said 'Philadelphia' on the tour schedule," Bouvier said. "When you're on tour, sometimes you forget where you are."

After the concert, fans swarmed the pool table room at Uptown, where the band set up a stand selling T-shirts, compact discs and stickers. All of the band members signed autographs and posed for pictures.

Shawn Walters '06 said he enjoyed the concert enough to buy the band's CD and get it autographed.

"I had heard a few songs before ... I thought the show was great."

Jeff Livesay '05 said he enjoyed the effort the band made to interact with the audience.

"Although I hadn't heard the band before the concert, I thought they did a good job. There was a lot of energy and sweaty people here tonight," Livesay said.

Animated poet entertains small crowd

Sean Thomas Dougherty read to a dedicated crowd on Super Bowl Sunday

By Melinda Kummer
A&E Editor

As snow quickened the steps of anyone brave enough to emerge from warm dorms, in a pristine room with wooden pews, a dedicated few ignored the mass hysteria over new commercials and the big game. Sean Thomas Dougherty, a nationally acclaimed performance poet, visited Bucknell Hall on Sunday for an evening arguably better than the entertainment value of some not-as-funny-as-in-previous-year's commercials.

Photos by ***Melinda Kummer****—The Bucknellian*

Thomas Dogherty keeps the audience's attention with an energetic performance. His poems focused on the struggles of the working class.

Black skull cap and hooped earrings framed the face of a poet who does not give orthodox poetry readings. His New York accent pattered in urban rhythm and always returned to jazz allusions. Described by its author as "discoursive oral tradition," Dougherty's style reminisced of the early slam movement. Heavily influenced by African-American culture, he looked to poets like Sonia Sanchez while finding inspiration in his stepfather, his great-grandmother, his wife and his neighborhood.

Dougherty, speaking "against the inscription of otherness," focused on themes depicting the working-class struggle in Erie, Pa., where he is the assistant director of creative writing at Penn State Behrend. Sympathetic to the struggle of the factory worker, his poetry uncovers the disillusionment of humanity.

"When a poet can take moths and speak of 'moths of snowflakes on windows,' the poet becomes successful in making the mind think of things on a level above normal and ordinary," Assistant Professor of English Lisa Roney said about Dougherty's accessible themes enhanced by profound descriptions.

Using the canzone as a basic structure, Dougherty molds his themes into rhythms and beats of start-and-stop storytelling, weaving them all together in the end. He poeticized the Brooklyn Dodgers in a performance piece, a favorite with the audience. In a game where Jackie Robinson was the rumored hero who pushed baseball from a "bourgeois game to blues," Dougherty spoke of the Dodgers as Lincoln's "dream team."

"My favorite part was how [Dougherty] talked about his background and turned it into his inspiration," Kristen Lunny '05 said.

Dougherty's visit was sponsored by the Bucknell Association for the Arts and the Stadler Center for Poetry. A calendar of future readings in Bucknell Hall can be found on the Stadler Center's Web page.

Poetry Review

FEATURES

Abroad Perspective: Vienna, Austria

Photos courtesy of Nicole Wierferspiel

(Top to bottom): Avant-garde Hunderwasser house; Wiederspiel in Durnstein, Austria; St. Karl's Church in Vienna; organ grinder in Vienna's Old Quarter.

By Nicole Wiederspiel
Contributing Writer

It's a cloudy morning in Vienna—the sun does not seem to like Vienna much, and even the streets seem moody and a little forlorn, but very romantic. I am standing in front of the Hofburg, where centuries of Habsburgs, the rulers of the Austrian and Holy Roman Empires, once lived, breathed and eventually fell from grace with the onslaught of modernity in its most tragic form: World War I. I am waiting for my History of the Habsburg Empire professor to show us around the Imperial Apartments where Empress Elisabeth, the wife of Franz Joseph, a legendary beauty and a top tourist draw, once lived.

I am thinking about the past, but the very much alive city, choking on the exhaust of tiny cars, ladies in outrageous fur coats and the obnoxious tunes of cell phones, remind me that there is indeed a present. Despite the lavish Baroque architecture and rapidly aging population, Vienna is alive.

On every street corner, campaigners distribute pens, leaflets, even wine and flowers—Austria is a democracy and elections are in two days for the Bundeskanzler, the head of government. I'm wondering if I would have voted for George Bush had his campaigners given me wine, when suddenly I hear the "Imperial March." There's a parade, and out of nowhere appear hundreds of people dressed to the nines. Marching past me, they frighten the horses and cause traffic to stop with their display of grandeur and wealth. It's Otto von Habsburg's 90th birthday, and the Viennese have come out in droves to worship the son of their last emperor in typical Viennese fashion. I cannot help but think of the irony: it's nearly election day, and yet the Viennese are marching around Vienna as if lamenting the fall of a monarchy. Suddenly I realize that Europe's complexities and quirks are more than I had expected, and I am enchanted.

When I left America to study in Vienna with the International Education of Students, I was confident that I was an enlightened American. Being prone to socialism, I would understand the "European" attitude, and, of course, find it infinitely superior to my fallen America. I chose Austria because I love the German language, opera and have watched "The Sound of Music" more times than I care to admit. I figured I was already better off than most Americans. I knew that "Edelweiss" was not the national anthem, that yodeling isn't exactly considered hip and that the von Trapp family from the film actually fled to Eagle's Nest, in Germany, in that scene when they are climbing every mountain to Switzerland (an impossibility). It's not exactly where I'd choose to go when attempting to evade the Nazis.

So, as you might imagine, I had a few surprises. Yes, I was in Austria, but in Vienna, which is geographically so eastward that I was closer to Slovakia, Hungary, Slovenia and Croatia than any other main Austrian city. I found that Vienna was filled with Eastern influences (mainly Turkish), as a sort of bizarre midpoint for where Western and Central Europe meet that belongs wholly to neither. The Cold War may be over, but the division between a rich Western Europe and a poorer East is not.

Secondly, I was prepared to speak pidgin German and be laughed at as the stupid American monoglot, until I realized that I couldn't understand the Wiener dialect, which is not exactly what I learned in German class. Moreover, in November it rained like the city had itself confused with London, and a professor told us that Vienna had one of the highest suicide rates in the world. Was it because the Blue Danube is a murky gray?

I must admit I was intrigued by the cynical veneer and dry humor of the Viennese, which seemed deeply embedded in the rich culture of the city. It would take me four months to realize that my American mind could never comprehend what it is to lose two World Wars. In some ways, Vienna, despite its modernity and ability to push forward into the future, continues to nurse a wounded psyche as the loser of the century, in deep denial about its practically nonexistent resistance to the Nazi annexation.

Along with my intellectual development came some personal revelations. The Europe that I have tended to idealize had a few snags. Tourism was all-pervasive, and while Vienna heavily relies on tourism for revenue, natives have the tendency to roll their eyes at tourists and correct their attempts at German. My purist heart was set on discerning "true" Austrian culture, but I learned that this was impossible—there is no easy definition of Austrian culture, and for that matter, American culture.

Imagine this: one day I broke down with cravings for french fries and went to McDonald's. I'm guiltily devouring my fries, telling myself I should really be eating schnitzel, and teen-age kids are on every side of me. They are speaking German, but every so often there is a interjection of some of English's best known four-letter words, and Eminem is playing on the radio. They know the words better than I ever will. Meanwhile, someone in that McDonald's is cursing those damn Americans, for sullying their culture turning the world upside down and making the "Lord of the Rings" movies, which everyone flocked to see in mad numbers when they debuted. Call it cultural imperialism, hypocrisy, stupidity or the weakness/lack of an Austrian culture, but I am fascinated with this love/hate relationship with Americans.

Before I opened my mouth, most people knew I was an American, and treated me gingerly, as if I would destroy the environment under their feet with my pesticides or burst out in song with a George Cohan ditty. They certainly didn't worship me as I had once worshipped them, but my desire to talk to as many people as possible helped me (at least I like to think so) dispel a few of those nasty rumors about the "Ugly American." I'll fondly and proudly remember being in a sleeper car with a German man and a French woman en route to Vienna from Paris. I had the opportunity to speak German and French, but learned humility when I realized they both understood each other's languages and were fluent in English as well.

I'll remember telling a German that I was interested in human rights and socio-economic justice, and watching his face change from wonderment to a new understanding about the complexities of what an American is. He had seen on CNN that about 50-60 percent of Americans supported the Bush administration (which Germany is not too wild about), and figured that percentage-wise I was more likely to fall into that neat category. I think he learned that day that labeling people has its pitfalls, and not to watch CNN.

I'll remember sitting in a coffeehouse that Trotsky supposedly frequented, sipping my coffee, daintily devouring my chocolate and watching the Viennese go by. I'll remember standing in front of Saint Stephan's Cathedral, losing myself in Gothic magnificence and trying to feign a spiritual epiphany, as opposed to my very real sense of sensual fulfillment.

I'll remember having the opportunity to see nine different countries boating on both the Seine and the Danube, exploring the endless riches of the Vatican and the unspeakable horrors of Auschwitz-Birkenau.

I'll remember going to the U.N. headquarters in Vienna and seeing, for the first time in my life, people from nearly every nation in the world in one big room, united to raise money for impoverished children worldwide.

But I think most of all I'll remember a place that is lost somewhere between the Strauss waltzes and aristocratic manners of the past and a present that includes a whole other nation of "Sex and the City" fanatics, the best chocolate cake and coffee ever and a charm that is timeless.

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Bucknellian Correction: The picture of the racquetball players in last week's Features section was improperly credited. The photo was taken by Monica McMurrer.

Greenway Project helps river area

By Ashley Maliken
Staff Writer

The Greenway Project is a organization that has high hopes for the Susquehanna River. The group plans to bring new cultural and recreational opportunities to Lewisburg through its proposed renovations for the river area.

With the help of University students and faculty, orchestrated in part by Assistant Professor of English Alfred Siewers, these hopes may very well be realized. Their goals may seem lofty to the faint of heart, but they're willing to commit the time and energy necessary to make these changes happen. These changes will affect the entire Lewisburg community.

Each and every one of us has come in contact with the Susquehanna River that flows nearby. Be it the location where your team practices its rowing technique, or simply a body of water you notice when driving over the Market Street bridge, its existence has undoubtedly come to your attention. It is doubtful that many have actually taken the time to appreciate the river and what it has to offer. Though right now those opportunities for enjoyment may seem few and far between, there are people within the Lewisburg and University communities who aim to change that.

Among their proposed renovations are a "Greenway" corridor, hiking/biking trails throughout Lewisburg that would eventually link with regional trails and possibly something as grand as an amphitheater. A "Greenway" corridor is a linear park and preserve system that would run the length of the waterway. Composed of both public and private lands, the corridor would help to promote both an aesthetic and ecological upgrade for the river and surrounding beds. According to the Greenway Project, every aspect of the river's quality could use an overhaul, and the years to come would provide a healthy starting point for what could realistically be generations of improvement endeavors.

"We'd like to turn the river into a nature and cultural preserve. It would help provide central Pa. with a cultural focus of identity," Siewers said.

In addition to the previously mentioned proposals, there are artistic and architectural endeavors in the plans as well. Those in charge hope to create art exhibits, photography opportunities and even a television documentary detailing the historical significance of the river to the early Lewisburg community.

They know that none of these dreams will be quickly realized without the assistance of the University's vast resources, so the Greenway Project organizers are designing ways to involve everyone possible. Everyone, from engineers to ecologists, is desired, with a specialized job for each individual.

"The more involvement we obtain, the more pressure there will be to continue improving the river. As more towns begin to feature the river's beauty, more will have to be done," Siewers said.

Who better to help jump-start these immense undertakings than the University? Offering an extensive liberal arts and engineering workforce and a central location, the Greenway Project hopes to make the University the midpoint of all its endeavors. They are approaching the next few years with high hopes for what beauty the future may bring to both Lewisburg and the surrounding areas.

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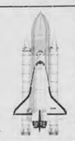

Bucknell Remembers:
A tribute to the Challenger and Columbia explosions.
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Sophomore charged with attempted statutory rape

By Chris Styers
Business & Politics Editor

Elliot Goldberg '05 is charged with criminal attempt to commit statutory rape, unlawful contact or communication with a minor and criminal attempt to corrupt a minor after charges were filed by the mother of a 13-year-old girl Goldberg met over the Internet.

Similar cases of proposed sexual encounters have been seen at a growing rate across the country, and Orin Kerr, an associate professor at the George Washington University Law School, said that these sexual encounter cases are "by far the most prosecuted of all computer crimes."

In the Goldberg's case, the mother's attentiveness to her daughter's Internet activities helped to discover and prevent a possible sexual encounter. By assuming her daughter's online identity with the help of police, the mother uncovered evidence that Goldberg had intended some sort of interaction.

According to the *Patriot News*, Goldberg proposed a meeting with the girl at the Susquehanna Valley Mall. Goldberg provided a physical description of himself along with his cell phone number. To confirm Goldberg's identity, the mother and daughter watched him as the girl called his cell phone to cancel the meeting.

Goldberg called the girl back, encouraging her to change her mind. The girl's mother notified state police who employed an expanding tactic in preventing cyber crimes.

According to the *Virginia Pilot*'s Web site, several similar cases have recently appeared in Virginia. Investigators there have assumed the virtual identities of targets of Internet crimes and obtained incriminating evidence.

In Goldberg's case, once the suspect invited the officers, who

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Fall grades announced

Greek women have outstanding average

By Elisabeth Salemme
News Editor

The University has announced that the average academic achievement grade point average (GPA) for undergraduate students during the fall 2002 semester is 3.26.

Upper-class women earned an average GPA of 3.41, upper-class men earned an average GPA of 3.14, first-year women earned an average GPA of 3.31 and first-year men earned an average GPA of 3.19.

The average GPA for all sorority women is 3.42 and the average GPA for all fraternity men is 3.13.

"Greek women had an outstanding collective average, with pride of place going to Delta Gamma and Kappa Gamma Sororities. The Fraternity men's [average] is also quite good," Dean of Students Richard Ferraro said.

Delta Gamma and Kappa Kappa Gamma earned the same average GPA of 3.48, which is the highest for any group on campus. Sorority members of Delta Delta Delta, Kappa Alpha Theta, Alpha Chi Omega and Pi Beta Phi earned average GPAs of 3.47, 3.44, 3.41, 3.35 and 3.28, respectively.

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Bishop visits University for first time to speak with staff, students

By Jennifer Jenchura
Senior Writer

The Most Rev. Bishop Nicholas C. Dattilo, head of the Harrisburg Diocese paid his first pastoral visit to the University last Sunday.

Dattilo visited the University after an invitation from the Catholic Campus Ministry (CCM) last October and spent the day participating in both an interdenominational worship service and a Catholic Mass, as well as meeting with students.

Members of CCM were excited about the bishop's visit.

"Having the bishop here provided a link to the diocese, which is crucial to continuing Catholic programming on campus. We depend on the diocese for their continuing support and I think it was good to be able to show Bishop exactly what our organization is about and how it works in the daily lives of so many students here at Bucknell," Allison Hoffmann '05 said, a member of CCM Steering Committee.

Datillo spoke to the chapel congregation at the interdenominational worship service in Rooke Chapel.

"I am delighted to be invited by Father Moran and the Administration," Dattilo said.

"The visit was a mutual request. The diocese has been officially part of the University since 1999 when Bucknell and the diocese signed an Agreement of Understanding. In 1998 the diocese opened its first two full-time Catholic ministries at Millersville and Bucknell. Before we were a separate entity. The agreement stems from Bucknell's initiative to look at Jewish programs as well as support Catholics, too," said Catholic Chaplain Martin O. Moran III, who is assigned full time to the University by the diocese.

Having known Dattilo since he was ordained a bishop, Moran made it no secret that he wanted to work in fill-time ministry at a college.

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Bishop Nicholas C. Dattilo (left) marks his first visit to the University by presiding over a Catholic mass with Father Martin O. Moran (right) in Rooke Chapel last Sunday. Earlier in the day, Bishop Dattilo delivered a sermon at the interdenominational worship service.

"The availability of a house and priest 24 hours a day makes Newman House a home away from home for all students, Catholic and non-Catholic," Moran said.

Dattilo also stressed the importance of having a Catholic ministry on campus to support Catholic students as well as encourage new priests.

"Bucknell is blessed to be one of just three schools in the diocese with an actual on-campus ministries. Bloomsburg, Millersville and Bucknell are the only three colleges that actually have an on-campus ministry. Father Marty does a great job with the students. It's so easy for young people to get lost. If no one is around to help them, it may be easy not to live [a Catholic life]. If I could, I would put two priests here," Dattilo said.

Installed as the eighth bishop of the Harrisburg diocese in 1990, Dattilo's visit marks first time a bishop has visited campus. Ordained a priest in 1958, Dattilo is Bishop of the Diocese of Harrisburg. The Diocese of Harrisburg encompasses a 15-county region that includes Lewisburg and includes 235,000 parishioners in 89 parishes and three colleges with full-time campus ministries out of the total 22 colleges in the diocese.

The bishop's agenda was as much participation with Catholic and non-Catholic students as possible, according to Moran.

"[Having] the bishop come to visit Bucknell shows that he is really concerned with the way things are in his diocese. I think that he was really impressed with Catholic Campus Ministry, and with Bucknell in general," CCM Steering Committee member Meghan Flynnperrault '05 said.

Delivering the sermon for the interdenominational service, the bishop stressed the importance of helping people.

"Help in the simple things that we do every day. Give for nothing but the sake of helping. At times all of us are poor and needy," Dattilo said.

Following the service Dattilo met with 25 students of CCM for an informal discussion on the role of the bishop in their lives as well as the life of the Catholic Church. He also discussed issues relating to the hierarchy and process of becoming a bishop, his daily responsibilities and the need for a religious support system for college students.

When one student asked what the bishop does

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Bishop Dattilo (far left) joins University students in the meditation room of Rooke Chapel for an informal discussion. Students spoke to Bishop Dattilo about his role and the future of the Church.

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University announces five percent tuition hike

By Rachel Laskow
Senior Editor

The Board of Trustees decided to increase the University's 2003-2004 comprehensive fee by 5 percent, raising it to $35,262, at its Jan. 31 meeting. The comprehensive fee includes $28,764 for tuition, $6,302 for room and board and $196 for the student activity fee. This 5 percent increase comes after an 8.7 percent tuition increase for the 2002-2003 school year. There will also be a 2.5 percent increase for faculty and staff salaries.

"There was lively discussion with the trustees about whether the 5 percent was high enough," University President Steffen Rogers said at Monday's faculty meeting.

According to Ben Marsh, professor of geography and chair of the University Planning and Budget Committee (UPBC), the committee makes a recommendation on the level of increase to the president, who then suggests an appropriate increase amount to the Board of Trustees.

"In light of last year's 8 percent increase, we hoped to keep this year's increase moderate," Marsh said.

This past year, the University's endowment decreased by 15 percent, which was one factor that impacted the Board of Trustees' decision to increase the comprehensive fee.

"The University really needs money this year because of the stock market drop. But what the University needs because of external problems isn't necessarily the responsibility of the present students," Marsh said. "However, we are highly dependent on tuition, so it's hard to see how we are going to get money in the long run without going to students."

According to an e-mail Rogers sent to the University community, parents and students are quick to point out that a 5 percent increase is greater than the cost of inflation.

"With the current state of the economy, students and parents will definitely be hit by this increase. The school must keep this in mind, as Bucknell stays competitive with rival schools and their tuition increases," Bucknell Student Government Vice President of Operations Jack Phillips '04 said.

Rogers reminds the University community that in maintaining its high level of education, additional costs will also be necessary.

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Mullan speaks of Bloody Sunday experience

By Meghan Fox
Staff Writer

Don Mullan, author of the book "Eyewitness Bloody Sunday," said "Bloody Sunday was effectively the death of the civil rights movement" in a lecture given Monday evening at the Campus Theatre.

Mullan was a young man of 15 living in Northern Ireland when the events of Jan. 30, 1972 unfolded before his eyes, an incident to be recognized by history as "Bloody Sunday."

"It's important to understand that Bloody Sunday was a watershed in the history of modern Ireland, because it was a moment when history slipped," Mullan said.

On this day, as the Northern Ireland Civil Rights Association was holding a peaceful demonstration, a crack battalion of the British Army called the 1st Battalion Parachute Regiment opened fire on the crowd, killing 13 and wounding 14.

> *"The effect of all those events put together was that a couple generations of people simply said there's no such thing as justice. Many young people made the transition from being peace activists to joining the IRA."*
>
> ***—Don Mullan***

The demonstrators were protesting what they considered to be the unfair internment of Irish citizens without trial.

Technically the march was considered illegal.

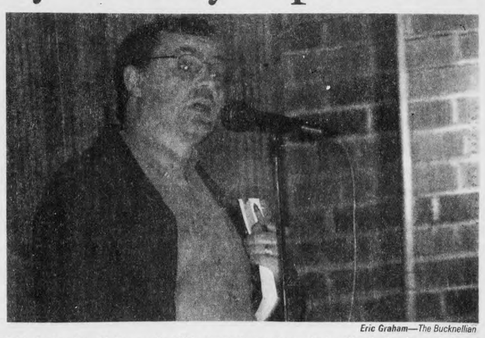
Due to preceding internal conflict in Northern Ireland, a territory controlled by the United Kingdom, the British ordered a ban on all protests.

Although the Irish Republican Army (IRA) had given their consent to remain out of the march, the British, most likely suspecting a breech of this verbal agreement, occupied the streets to prevent any violent outbreaks.

Among the unarmed protesters was Mullan.

"It was my first civil rights march. I was 15 years of age. My parents gave me permission. I remember the day .... The actual day of Bloody Sunday was a very sunny day, a day like today, here in Lewisburg. There was a great carnival atmosphere with people gathered together. We had no idea we were walking into the valley of death," Mullan said.

As Mullan later said, there were two options available for asserting



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Irish Author Don Mullan speaks of his personal experiences during Bloody Sunday and the impact he thinks it has made on civil rights in the Campus Theatre Monday evening. Mullan participated in the Bloody Sunday civil rights march when he was 15 years-old.

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Public Safety Log

Sunday, Jan. 26

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—Public Safety responded to a fire alarm in the basement of Swartz Hall caused by unknown person(s) discharging a fire extinguisher for no reason. No witnesses or suspects could be located in a search of the building. The incident is under investigation.

INFORMATION / BROKEN WINDOW—Public Safety responded to Vedder Hall for the report of a broken window. No witnesses or suspects could be located in a search of the area.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS—While on routine patrol, Public Safety stopped a male walking with a staggered gait on St. George Street in front of Galloway House. Upon further investigation, it was determined that the male was a student, under the age of 21, who admitted to consuming alcohol. East Buffalo Township Police Department responded. Citations were issued for underage consumption and public drunkenness.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student contacted Public Safety and requested transportation to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment of the stomach flu. Student Health Services responded and transported the individual who later returned to campus.

Monday, Jan. 27

INFORMATION/UNLOCKED DOORS—While on routine patrol, Public Safety found two doors unlocked in the Vedder construction area. No damage was detected and the doors were locked.

Tuesday, Jan. 28

INFORMATION—An employee reported to Public Safety that a visitor who has been banned from University property was contacting her office and had done so previously, although the incidents were not reported prior to this time. The employee was advised to report any further contact made by the individual.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—An employee contacted Public Safety and requested an emergency transport from Lowry House to Divine Providence Hospital in Williamsport. Public Safety transported the student.

ACT 64/DRUG VIOLATION—Public Safety responded to Tower House for the report of the odor of marijuana coming from a first floor room. Upon arrival, Public Safety noted a marijuana pipe and a small amount of marijuana in the room. The student admitted to smoking marijuana. East Buffalo Township Police Department cited the student for possession of drug paraphernalia.

Wednesday, Jan. 29

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student contacted Public Safety and requested transportation to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment of the stomach flu. Student Health Services responded and transported the individual who later returned to campus.

THEFT—An employee reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed a five gallon Tulpehocken water container from the lounge at Coleman Hall. The incident is under investigation.

Thursday, Jan. 30

MEDICAL ASSIST—Public Safety responded to the Fieldhouse for the report of a student with an injured knee. The individual refused medical treatment and signed the medical release form.

ACT 64/DRUG VIOLATION—Public Safety responded to a fire alarm activation at a Bucknell West Mod. Upon arrival, the odor of marijuana was detected. Public Safety conducted a plain view search of the area with negative results.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—While Public Safety was conducting a Safe Escort for two male students from Smith Hall to a Bucknell West Mod, he detected the strong odor of an alcoholic beverage. Upon investigation, Public Safety determined that the students were under the age of 21 and admitted to consuming alcohol. Citations issued for underage consumption.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—An employee reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) damaged a clock in the Dana Engineering building. The incident is under investigation.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed his lacrosse clothing from the unlocked lacrosse locker room at the Recreation and Athletics Center. The incident is under investigation.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed a golf bag containing clubs and balls from her Bucknell West Mod while she was on break. East Buffalo Township Police Department was notified. The incident is under investigation.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student contacted Public Safety and requested transportation to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment of the stomach flu. Student Health Services responded and transported the individual who later returned to campus.

Friday, Jan. 31

INFORMATION/SUSPICIOUS PHONE CALLS—A student reported to Public Safety that on repeated occasions a male was calling her Bucknell West Mod, asking for her roommate and hanging up the phone. The students did not feel threatened but requested that Public Safety conduct an investigation.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT—Public Safety responded to a fire alarm at Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity caused by unknown person(s) discharging a smoke bomb. Lewisburg Police Department and William Cameron Engine Company responded and assisted in ventilating the house. No witnesses or suspects could be located in a search of the building. The incident is under investigation.

Saturday, Feb. 1

ALCOHOL OVERDOSE—Public Safety responded to McDonnell Hall for the report of an ill student. Public Safety determined the student had been vomiting, was highly intoxicated, under the age of 21 and in need of medical attention. The student was transported by ambulance to Evangelical Community Hospital for treatment and later returned to campus. A citation was issued for underage consumption.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—Public Safety responded to Swartz Hall for the report of three underage non-University students consuming alcohol. East Buffalo Township Police Department was notified. Upon further investigation, it was determined that the individuals consumed a small amount of alcohol. Citations were issued for underage consumption.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—A student reported to Public Safety that an unknown person broke a window at Roser Hall. A search of the area was conducted with negative results. The incident is under investigation.

PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS—While on routine patrol, Public Safety observed one male individual standing near a window behind Ward House. When he was directed to stop, the individual began running towards Carey House. Once detained by Public Safety, it was determined that the student was intoxicated. A citation was issued for public drunkenness.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—A University employee reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) broke a window in Smith Hall. Public Safety determined that the window was broken from the inside. This is under investigation.

Bishop celebrates first University mass

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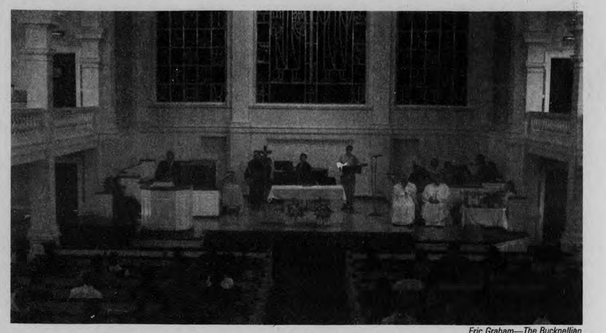

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Bishop Nicholas Dattilo is welcomed to the University by Vice President of Student Affairs Charles Pollock '70. During his visit, the bishop spoke at both the interdenominational and Catholic services, held an informal discussion with students and was the guest of honor at a dinner held in the Terrace Room.

every day, Dattilo compared himself to a CEO.

"I have a $130 million plus budget to work with. Bishops must run their diocese with the morality that Catholicism demands of us."

Dattilo also discussed deeper issues such as the shortage of Catholic priests, sexual misconduct in the church and the church's position on homosexuals and cloning.

"I think the most traumatic thing in life is to leave high school," Dattilo said. "Any university that has one-third of students of the same religion, [that religion] needs to make sure its students are being taken care of, because we don't want young people to feel cut adrift. I wish I had more priests to send to other schools."

Dattilo talked about diversity in the Catholic Church and the University's own diversity of religions on campus. He also reminded students of new diversity in the clergy.

"Just last week the first bishop of Asian ancestry in the United States was announced in San Francisco. Bishop Wang is from China," Dattilo said.

Issues of anti-Catholicism as well as the recent allegations of sexual misconduct within the Church and his own diocese were also brought up by students.

One student asked how to respond to students who overtly disagree with the Catholic religion and Dattilo expressed his concern for the seriousness of anti-Catholicism.

"We shouldn't impose our values on anyone," Dattilo said. "When people say hurtful things it shows a lack of respect. [People] need to make a thoughtful, prayerful decision not to let that inhibit them from practicing their religion. Catholic students are not second-class citizens here. They are our people. You couldn't get away with saying the same type of things about the black and Jewish that you can say about the Catholic Community."

A pastor in Dauphin County of the Bishop's Diocese of Harrisburg recently resigned following an allegation of sexual misconduct nearly 23 years ago. It was Dattilo's job to announce that priest's resignation last April.

"I have a responsibility to make sure we have good priests who are not mistreating people," Dattilo said.

Dattilo firmly stated that the media has given the sexual misconduct issue more than enough coverage.

"Make no mistake about it, the Church is the enemy of the media. How many times do they need to tell that story? It ran in the *Harrisburg Patriot* newspaper at least two dozen times," Dattilo said. "I agree [sexual abuse] is a terrible thing and it should be reported. It is news and people should be told to a particular priest can't be trusted with kids, but how many times must the story be told? We need to be reporting the good things many Catholic people do, such as the March for Life in Washington, D.C. (on the anniversary of the Roe v. Wade Supreme Court decision), instead of when one priest steps out of bounds."

Dattilo also reinforced the Church's position on same-sex marriages.

"The Church cries out against homosexual unions to let the Gospel message be known. If you discredit the Church, you discredit its messages," Dattilo said.

Although Dattilo had never been to the University, he brought along two friends who are University alumni. Drs. Clem Ciccarelli '76 and Ira Packman '71 were happy to be back at the University.

"It is exciting to see groups of young people excited about faith," Ciccarelli said.

Packman, who converted from Judaism to Catholicism after his undergraduate days at Bucknell, said his religion is a huge part of who he is, regardless of his medical background.

"First I am a Catholic and then I am a doctor. Being a Catholic affects your whole life and how you interact with people," Packman said. "Being an alumnus and speaking out about being Catholic and living faith shows the student body that you can be Catholic and live life. [Students] need a community that supports them because Catholicism is still a minority population on campus."

A former member of CCM, Ciccarelli was happy to see the expansion of the Catholic community at Bucknell.

"CCM is getting larger with time and you see more committed Catholics on campus. There is a true health value of religion and family life," Ciccarelli said.

Many current students in CCM believe the bishop's visit will help to reaffirm their faith.

"Bishop Dattilo's visit to the Bucknell campus will really help to strengthen the already strong religious life present at this university. Religion plays such a strong role in so many of our students' lives ... the University will benefit from his affirmation of the importance of faith in our daily, in more ways than we can know," CCM Co-President of Jessica Orsulak '05 said.

Dattilo agrees that today's college students face much more stressful times than when Dattilo was a student, but the faith has not changed much.

"The principles remain the same. If you know the basics of your faith then when the complex issues come up it is easier to not be confused on the choices we make," Dattilo said. "For example, cloning. There was a way God meant for children to come into this world. When people start tinkering with that we know it's wrong from basic principles. Students also have to deal with more life and death issues. It used to be a given when life ends and when life begins. Now it's all taken for granted."

The bishop said he enjoys speaking with college students and does not find it difficult to relate to them.

"When I speak with young men and women I tend to be more casual and let the schedule be what they want. I see them as great kids; they are the future leadership of the church," Dattilo said.

Students agreed they were able to identify with the bishop.

"I think the bishop connected to everyone through his message about being faithful. It is not only important to be faithful to your relationship with God, but also with your relationships to other aspects of life including family, friends and school," CCM Steering Committee member Megan McCarthy '04 said.

Moran deemed the visit a success.

"The administration was overwhelmingly receptive to the visit. President [Steffen] Rogers and Vice President [Charlie] Pollock '70 even hosted the dinner and reception," Moran said. "I think [the bishop] was overwhelmed with the hospitality and receptiveness at Bucknell for a religious leader, as well as the energy of the students and the appreciation by students, faculty and staff."

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North Korea reactivates nuke facilities

SEOUL, South Korea—North Korea said Wednesday that it had reactivated nuclear facilities frozen for nearly a decade and would use them "at the present stage" only to produce electricity, adding additional tension to the crisis over Pyongyang's nuclear program.

Girls more easily addicted to drugs

Young girls and women are more easily addicted to drugs and alcohol, have different reasons than boys for abusing substances and may need single-sex treatment programs to beat back their addictions, according to a study released Wednesday.

Call up of Guard, reserves continues

WASHINGTON—More than 110,000 National Guard and reserve forces are now serving around the nation and overseas as the United States continues its buildup for a possible war with Iraq, the Pentagon said Wednesday.

Muslim nations show two faces on aiding U.S.

AMMAN, Jordan—One of the many charades being playing out during the Iraq war buildup is the response in the Muslim world, where nations are quick to take the United States to task for its aggressive approach to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, while at the same time they are falling into line behind American military planners.

United States ordered to freeze executions

THE HAGUE—The United States must temporarily stay the executions of three Mexican citizens on death rows in Texas and Oklahoma, the World Court ruled Wednesday.

Saudis helped witness flee the United States

The Saudi Embassy quietly provided the wife of a terror suspect a passport and transit out of the United States in November, after she was subpoenaed to testify before a federal grand jury, diplomatic and law enforcement sources said.

Bank visit may aid sniper case

Authorities say a bank visit bolsters their theory that Lee Boyd Malvo, 17, and John Allen Muhammad, 42, carried out the Washington area sniper attacks to extort millions of dollars from the government.

Meat plants violate E. coli rules

WASHINGTON—About 60 percent of the largest U.S. meat plants failed to meet federal food safety regulations for preventing the spread of E. coli bacteria in their products, the U.S. Department of Agriculture said Tuesday.

Two drinks a day may cut stroke risk

Two alcoholic drinks a day may reduce the risk of the most common kind of stroke by nearly 30 percent, but downing five drinks or more daily raises the risk by about 70 percent, according to a study published Tuesday.

FBI widens probe of AOL deals

NEW YORK—The FBI has sought to question several former PurchasePro.com, Inc. officers in the past few weeks as part of an expanding criminal investigation into advertising deals made by America Online, *The Wall Street Journal* reported on Wednesday.

Iraqi dam could doom Assyrian ruins

An Iraqi dam under construction on the Tigris River threatens to submerge the remains of the spiritual capital of the ancient Assyrian empire in an act archaeologists liken to flooding the Vatican.

Germany holds 3 terrorist suspects

BERLIN—German prosecutors said on Thursday they were questioning three men suspected of planning attacks in Germany and of supporting the al-Qaida cell in Hamburg which launched the Sept. 11 attacks.

Dell foresees floppy's fall

The floppy drive is heading toward extinction at Dell Computer. Later this month, the PC maker plans to drop the floppy as standard equipment on one of its Dimension desktops.

Awareness and tolerance primary goals of "Raise Your Voice" week

By Jason Oster
Staff Writer

The University will participate in nationwide college campus events collectively known as "Raise Your Voice" week from Feb. 16-22.

More than 200 campuses nationwide are trying to reach students through this week with a wide range of goals. "Raise Your Voice: a week of action," is being sponsored by Campus Compact to increase, celebrate and deepen the student civic engagement efforts on college campuses across the country.

The Office of Service Learning has brought the week of action to the University this year. According to Mia Gadhia '06, the purpose of the event at the University is to get students to become more civic-minded and to decrease the apathy that many college students are stereotyped as having.

The national Web site for "Raise Your Voice" week describes the week as an opportunity for national student groups to speak in a collective voice promoting student civic engagement. Events are planned to excite students about involvement and these are organized on campuses around the country. These experiences have an intended result of activating a large number of students in the democratic process. The specific events might vary from campus to campus, though all will create opportunities for students to speak out about what is important to them.

Campus Compact especially hopes to reach those students who have never before participated in public life, but who have the desire to learn more about service learning, politics and civic engagement.

Janice Butler, the director for the new Office of Service-Learning is responsible for bringing "Raise Your Voice" week to the University.

Similar to Campus Compact, the Office of Service Learning "is trying to promote Bucknell student participation in this campaign," Butler said. "Most students, until they get to college, do not have a sense of the impact they can have on society."

The new director believes that, especially in today's world with the circumstances that we live in, more students need to become involved.

"In these times of uncertainty, when we consider what the future might hold in terms of war, what our country's relationship to other nations might be, what is happening to the environment, what to do about the ongoing problems of poverty and homelessness and other social challenges, it really is important for students to be involved, to work toward creating the future that they want," Butler said. "The national 'Raise Your Voice' campaign is an attempt to make students' efforts, ideas and achievements more visible. It's a great opportunity to network and show how youth are working together to make a difference in the causes that matter to them."

Gadhia has set up a Web page concentrating specifically on the "Raise Your Voice" week at the University. The Office of Service-Learning is looking for all students and organizations that want to help out to get involved.

According to the Web site, "Young people are frequently criticized for being disengaged or apolitical, but we know that students are volunteering at an all-time high rate." The are many possible events that organizations can set up with the Office of Service-Learning. The possibilities listed on the Web site include voter registration drives, a panel discussion with elected officials, a blood drive for a local hospital and a debate about free speech and civil liberties.

The "Raise Your Voice" campaign is intending to promote issues that are important to the youth of America because the youth of America are the ones participating in the events. Those is charge of the week feel it is extremely important that America's college students stop being observers and become more proactive.

Tuition

From page A1

"In providing an exceptional education for our students, we spend a significant percentage of our budget on faculty and staff salaries, technology, facilities and financial aid, all factors that drive up our costs," Rogers said in the campus e-mail.

Some expenses that have put a strain on the budget are the new biomedical engineering major that will be introduced in the fall, the Hunt Hall ($3.8 million) and Vedder Hall ($3.3 million) renovations and the installation of "wireless" connections to the University's computer network in several buildings, including the library and the Langone Center.

"As more money becomes available in the long run, there is more we can do educationally," Marsh said.

There has also been an increase in institutional financial aid, from $28 to $30 million.

"We also continue to increase the size of our financial aid budget—primarily through endowed scholarships funded by generous donors—to ensure that we offer a learning environment conducive to high achievement and success for all of our students," Rogers said in the e-mail.

Another determining factor in the increase was the University's peer institutions, such as Lafayette, Lehigh and Villanova. According to Marsh, the Board of Trustees looked at the five-year average increase in the comprehensive fee for those schools and asked if the University wants to be at the bottom of the list and if the University underpricing. The board also asked how more revenue improve the institution in the long run.

Lehigh had a five-year average increase of 3.97 percent, Villanova had an increase of 4.98 percent and Lafayette had an increase of 4.27 percent. The University's increase was approximately 5 percent.

"We are more dependent on tuition, rather than investments, than many of the institutions we compare ourselves to," Marsh said.

The University is trying to hold down costs, according to Rogers.

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> —*Ben Marsh, professor of geography*

"Departments throughout campus, excluding instructional areas, have been engaged in discussions on ways to trim their budgets without compromising the core mission of our institution. On the plus side, we are now realizing savings from the recent investment in our utilities infrastructure, which should result in a 10 percent cost reduction next year for heating and cooling," Rogers said in the e-mail.

Marsh admits that many faculty members and administrators think it would have been better for the University to have been increasing tuition over the past 10 years when the economy was strong so it would be working with a higher base tuition now. He would not be surprised if tuition continued to increase at a rate similar to the recent past, especially because of rising fixed costs at the University, such as computers.

"We can either continue to increase tuition at this rate or we can cut some of what we do now," Marsh said.

The Board of Trustees also decided to increase faculty and staff salaries. According to Marsh, the UPBC recommended a 3 percent increase for faculty and staff salaries, but the president recommended a 2.5 percent increase to the Board of Trustees.

"Last year the faculty got a very generous raise, and another sizable raise could probably be justified by the market. But in present economic and budget conditions, 2.5 percent is acceptable," Marsh said.

In the e-mail, Rogers said that he is proud of the University and the exceptional undergraduate experience it offers.

"We are committed to each and every student and will not do anything to compromise the trust they have placed in us," Roger said.

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Feb. 7 FRI

Shabbat Service and Dinner
Berelson Center
5:30 p.m.

Susquehanna Valley Mall Shuttle
Downhill LC
6 p.m.

"Oleanna"
Harvey Powers Theatre
8 p.m.

Bingo
Bostwick Cafeteria
9 p.m.

"Scooby Doo"
LC Forum
10:30 p.m.

Late Night Music Series: Julie Schreiber & Eric Wirsing
7th Street Café
11 p.m.

BRIDGE 101
Offered daily
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Noon

Feb. 8 SAT

New York City trip
7 a.m.

One-in-Four Training
Arches Lounge
1 p.m.

Lunar New Year Festival
Larison Dining Hall
2 p.m.

Wal-Mart Shuttle
Downhill LC
3 & 6 p.m.

Susquehanna Valley Mall Shuttle
Downhill LC
3 & 6 p.m.

Catholic Mass
Rooke Chapel
5:30 p.m.

"Oleanna"
Harvey Powers Theatre
8 p.m.

Poetry Slam
7th Street Café
9 p.m.

"Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring"
Vaughan Lit. Auditorium
10:30 p.m.

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Feb. 9 SUN

Quaker Services
Willard Smith Library
Vaughan Lit.
9:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Interdenominational Worship Service
Rooke Chapel
11 a.m.

Episcopal Eucharist Service
Meditation Chapel
Noon

Alpha Phi Omega Initiation Ceremony
Rooke Chapel
1:30 p.m.

Catholic Mass
Rooke Chapel
4 p.m.

Brahm's "Piano Quintet": Fitzwilliam String Quartet
Rooke Recital Hall
7:30 p.m.

Poetry Reading: Ruth Ellen Kocher
Bucknell Hall
8 p.m.

Catholic Mass
Larison Dining Hall
10 p.m.

Feb. 10 MON

Qigong Class
Vedder Lounge
Noon

Class of 2006 Meeting
Buttery Room
Noon

Zen Meditation
Rooke Meditation Chapel
4 p.m.

Hot Pocket Night
Uptown
8 p.m.

Agnes Denes
Samek Art Gallery
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Feb. 11 TUE

Bucknell Brigade Presentation
LC Forum
Noon
Terrace Room
7 p.m.

Lecture: "Ancient Rome as a Religious Capital"
Karl Galinsky
Gallery Theatre
7:30 p.m.

Internships 101
Every Tuesday (Noon) and Wednesday (3:30 p.m.)
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Pi Beta Phi
Candygram Sale
Feb. 10-13
11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
LC Mall

Feb. 12 WED

Movie & Discussion: "Unchained Memories and the Issues of Slavery and Discrimination in the United States"
Gallery Theatre
7 p.m.

"Sweet Home Alabama"
Vaughan Lit. Auditorium
10:30 p.m.

Feb. 13 THU

Forum on Iraq
Rooke Chem 116 (Auditorium)
7 p.m.

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Feb. 2 to March 2

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Irish author speaks at Campus Theatre

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Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Irish Author Don Mullan introduces the film based on his book "Eyewitness Bloody Sunday" at the Campus Theatre on Sunday.

the rights of the disenfranchised Irish Catholics: violence or non-violence. These protesters chose non-violence.

"We believed in the message of Gandhi and Martin Luther King," Mullan said.

He also mentioned that the Northern Ireland Civil Rights Movement was inspired by the Civil Rights movements in the United States.

"It was about changing a system that discriminated against Catholics who were deprived of fair employment and education and economic opportunities. It was about social transformation, creating a state that would value and respect all of its citizens," Mullan said.

After the deaths of 13 unarmed Irish protesters and the lies that circulated to justify the British Army's actions, peaceful resistance was no longer considered an option.

Violence was then perceived as the only means necessary for achieving equality.

"The effect of all those events put together was that a couple generations of people simply said there's no such thing as justice. Many young people made the transition from being peace activists to joining the IRA," Mullan said.

The British conducted an official inquiry of Bloody Sunday under Lord Chief Justice Lord Widgery.

"Within 10 weeks he not only had held the inquiry but he also issued his report. And basically he found the innocent guilt and the guilty innocent," Mullan said.

According to Mullan, the demonstrators committed their eyewitness accounts to paper immediately after the occurrence, but Widgery failed to examine many of them, and used only contradictory sources to discredit their claims.

The soldiers were never condemned of their actions and the victims' families did not receive justice, Mullan said.

Then in 1996, Mullan revisited these historical documents and wrote his book so that the truth could be told.

A few years later, British filmmakers Paul Greengrass and Mark Redhead approached Mullan about making a movie based on his book.

This film was shown after Mullan's lecture on Monday.

"I believe that if Prime Minister Edward Heath, back in 1972, and the Lord Chief Justice, Lord Widgery, had showed the same courage as these two filmmakers, then I don't believe the conflict would have been as prolonged and I don't believe over 3000 people would be dead today," Mullan said.

Mullan dedicated the viewing of the film to both his colleagues Greengrass and Redhead and also to the victims' families.

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posed as the girl online, to meet at his University residence, police had enough information to make an arrest.

According to the *Patriot News*, at the intended meeting time, police "seized the suspect's computer and charged him with attempted statutory rape, unlawful communications with a minor and attempted corruption of a minor."

The case has been sent to Northumberland County Court.

Dean of Students Richard Ferraro said that it is the blurring line between the cyber world and the real world that helps to facilitate such actions.

"The cyber world is the real world and often we assume it's not," Ferraro said.

Many organizations concerned with the welfare of children, especially children using the Internet, publish lists of "dos and don'ts" on the Internet.

Some people feel that surfing the Web makes them untouchable and safe from any repercussions in the outside world.

The FBI publishes a pamphlet that is available online discussing how to keep children safe, what warning signs to look for and what contacts can be made to protect children from cyber crimes.

As a result of good, attentive parenting, a serious incident in the Goldberg case was prevented.

Educating children about the dangers of chat rooms and other online places can help reduce the number of sexually related Internet crimes.

Students earn average fall 2002 GPA of 3.26

GPA From page A1

Fraternity members of Sigma Alpha Epsilon earned an average GPA of 3.29, the highest average GPA rank for all male groups on campus. Fraternity members of Sigma Chi, Kappa Alpha Psi, Sigma Phi Epsilon and Chi Phi earned average GPAs of 3.28, 3.26, 3.23 and 3.22, respectively. Fraternity members of Kappa Delta Rho, Phi Kappa Psi, Lambda Chi Alpha and Delta Upsilon earned respective average GPAs of 3.18, 3.16, 3.06 and 3.05. Fraternity members of Phi Gamma Delta, Tau Kappa Epsilon, Kappa Sigma and Sigma Alpha Mu earned average GPAs of 3.04, 2.98, 2.96 and 2.75, respectively.

All women independent from a sorority earned an average GPA of 3.24 and all men independent from a fraternity earned an average GPA of 3.11.

Two hundred twelve University student-athletes earned Dean's List honors for the fall 2002 semester, 48 of whom earned perfect 4.0 GPAs.

To achieve the Dean's List honor, students must have a minimum GPA of 3.50.

Kevin Brown '06, a member of the track team, was named to the Dean's List for the fall 2002 semester.

"Being a student-athlete at Bucknell requires planning time for work more than the average student," Brown said. "Knowing that you will be spending 25 or more hours a week practicing and traveling to and from competitions requires good time management skills, and a level of flexibility at the same time in order to complete assignments on time."

> *"My impression of student-athletes at Bucknell is that they generally perform very well academically. Certainly the number of academic all-Americans, which Bucknell can boast of is unusually large."*
> —*Richard Ferraro, dean of students*

Ferraro commended student-athletes' academic achievements.

"My impression of student-athletes at Bucknell is that they generally perform very well academically. Certainly the number of academic all-Americans, which Bucknell can boast of is unusually large," Ferraro said. "And even though student-athletes have to spend a not inconsiderable amount of time on their sports, many times they have superb time management skills, so that they handle both academic and sporting obligations with relative ease."

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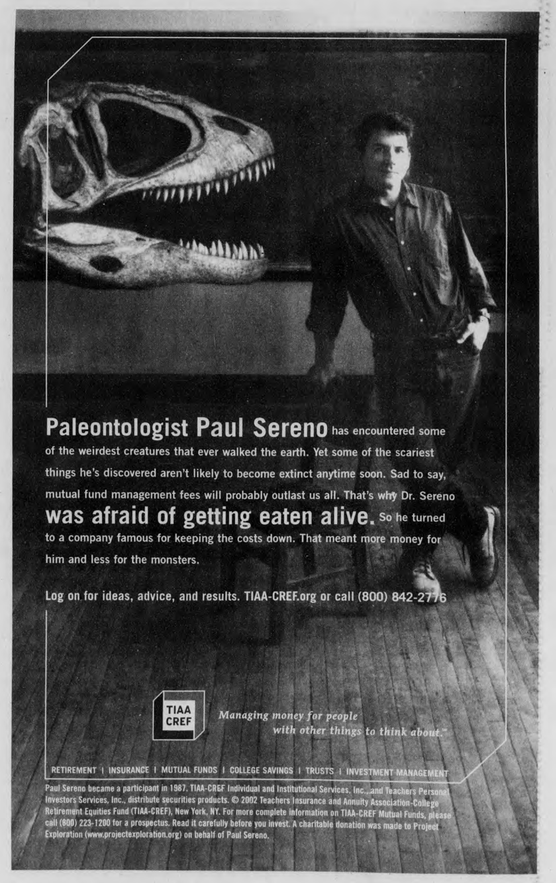

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The Bucknellian Editorial

Students don't need anymore restrictions

Associate Professor of Mathematics George Exner presented a motion which would formally regulate acceptable hours for special athletic practices during the day at the faculty meeting held Monday afternoon. In summary, the motion restricts team meetings organized by the coach or independently by the players that scheduled between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m ("class hours"). While the majority of the faculty dismissed the idea and the motion failed in a vote, Exner brings up a point that merits discussion.

By adding a scheduling restriction to athletic "meetings," an excessive regulation would be placed on a campus that is arguably too regulated. University students are, and should be, responsible for their own time. This excessive regulation insinuates that students are incapable of managing their own time and prioritizing their tasks. If a student has a scheduled practice with other athletes on the team, and if an academic obligation comes up, such as needing additional assistance in a class, it is the responsibility of the student to reschedule the practice or suspend all other priorities to meet a professor's schedule.

If a student is incapable of prioritizing his or her education, then he or she needs to learn the hard way (even if that means failing a class). Students should not need to have members of the faculty and administration scheduling their days. Imagine what would come next ... lunches with chaperones and mandatory campus curfews?

Fortunately, the majority of professors on campus are very flexible in arranging appointments or office hours. There may be exceptions or instances in which professors have set obligations that they are unable to work around, and in these cases especially, coaches should be expected to be equally flexible as professors.

Furthermore, professors often commit the same crime that Exner is trying to eliminate. Professors often require attendance to films and speakers scheduled outside of class hours, forcing students to miss their extracurricular activities. Although these activities may supplement class, they still infringe upon the student's personal time.

Another point to consider is that many students come to the University for sports in addition to academics. Even with the institution of merit aid for the Class of 2007, students are not admitted to this University unless they demonstrate superior academic ability. Students enter the University after being highly involved in extracurricular activities and sports at their high schools and would not be able to achieve this success without an inherent work ethic and the ability to effectively manage their time.

This is apparent from the recent statistics regarding the academic performance of students from last semester. With an average GPA of 3.26, the student body has demonstrated its ability to achieve academic excellence. Additionally, 212 out of approximately 800 student-athletes (25 percent) were named to the Dean's List, indicating that student-athletes are certainly capable of balancing their course work and their athletic responsibilities.

During the final exam period it is certainly acceptable to restrictions on students' personal lives (e.g. quiet hours), but for the preceding 14 weeks of the semester, this regulation is unnecessary.

Letters to the editor

Student questions author's sources

To the Editor:

I would like to thank Tom Elliott for his article entitled "Anti-drug commercials mislead public"—his ideas are as refreshing and original as "the new Coke."

Unfortunately, neither Mr. Elliott nor the new Coke is original or refreshing.

Perhaps since Mr. Elliott did not cite his own sources, or place quotation marks, for that matter, I will do it for him:

Rich Lowry, "ONDCP's anti-marijuana ad campaign"
http://www.townhall.com/columnists/richlowry/rl20030113.shtml
Brian Hindo, "Super Bowl Ads: Lots of Fumbles"
http://www.businessweek.com/bwdaily/dnflash/jan2003/nf20030127_8643.htm
South Park, "My Future Self and Me," Season 6, Episode 16

Special thanks (on behalf of Tom Elliott) to conservative columnist Lowry for extensive phrases, paragraphs and key words such as "demagogy."

And Tom, the next time you are fishing for ideas on the Net, check out www.snopes.com (urban legend section), where, to my own chagrin, I found that the DEA billboard is a myth. And while you're at it, check out the University's Academic Responsibility page, or www.dictionary.com, type in "plagiarism" and press ENTER.

Chris Barker '05

Wasted resources increase tuition

To the Editor:

As most people know, tuition has increased and many programs are being subjugated to cuts due to the economic distress of the country and of the University. I have noticed that one way that the University could certainly cut back on is the distribution of fliers, newspapers and other writings that are either unnecessary or provided in unnecessary quantities. For example, walking into downhill Langone Center, one sees the piles and stacks of Bucknell World, as well as unread *Bucknellians*. Walking into the mailbox section, one can also see the overflow of "junk" paper in the recycling bin (these may include Weis Center activities, Public Safety fliers, etc.). Of course, a simple solution in replacing "junk" mail and such is e-mail. Now, I think that it would be interesting, and also important, if *The Bucknellian* could feature an article about the tuition increase in relation to wasted resources. Or, if *The Bucknellian* could just make people aware that there are resources that could be gained from other places, rather than tuition increase and cutting back on other programs.

Maria Christodoulou '05

The Bush economic report card

By Mike Niebauer
Senior Writer

We are in the second half of the four-year experiment of taking random samples of human kindness out of the compassionate conservative presidency. It is time to chart its economic effects and effectiveness so far to see if we need to fire or rehire our nation's leadership. We may be really seeing a rerun of a really bad economic movie at this point.

Economically, the outlook is at best cloudy and volatile. This means that by the end of the first three weeks of January, all the early January stock market gains essentially evaporated. Surprisingly, this happened after U.S. President George W. Bush's long-awaited economic stimulus package has been presented and is found by many to be wanting. The opposition to this plan is coming even from Republican governors who are forced to raise taxes in their states to make up the lack of state aid from the president's proposal. Increased taxation in the states will negate what short-term stimulus there is in Bush's package.

The Democrats are having a political gift handed to them with the package. They can arguably state that it stimulates only the pocketbooks of the top 5 percent of earners at the expense of social programs. There are signs that this is happening to the social programs in the welfare-to-work program. Make work programs have been increased 10 hours per week for welfare recipients to earn their checks. When and how will they ever get off the program if they have no time to go to school or raise their children properly? The "No Child Left Behind" education proposal is underfunded. Also, few believe that the new Homeland Security Department will have adequate resources either. Even financial experts are beginning to believe we are in for a fourth year of a downturn in the stock market and a weakened economic outlook.

Doug Cliggott of Drummer and Partners said, "We may be in for two more years of lackluster performance in this economy if we do not tend to fundamentals and watch what is happening to the ballooning federal deficit and discretionary spending." Rising prices for oil and other commodities are working to dampen the economy. The White House war rhetoric is bothering markets and our traditional allies, France, Germany and now Russia, are unconvinced of the urgency of the Iraqi situation and want the inspections to continue. The White House is banking on a quick win against Iraq to boost the economic outlook.

Can the Bush supply-side economic policies work when capacity utilization in the economy is over 70 percent? Cliggott and others are filled with doubt that it can. In an atmosphere when all economic problems are answered with more tax cuts and little else, only inflationary pressures seem likely. The president inspires little fiscal confidence since he had to fire and replace the majority of his economic team and we are now in the process of approving his second economic stimulus plan because his first one didn't work out.

Another issue that is dogging the economy is the pervasive volatility in the stock market. With over 50 percent of working families having stock in their portfolios, the thoughts of the working class toward the market must be mentioned. Small investors are staying out market transactions and withdrawing from their mutual fund accounts. They are losing trust in markets since the corporate scandals of last summer. The few that have been fined were just given a light slap on the wrist and little or no jail time so far.

Many of the Enron criminals are still among us and living exceedingly well. People are not impressed with these disappointing developments, so they are smartly waiting and not participating. The only actors in the markets are the large investors (hedge funds and insurance companies, corporate entities, etc.). They are causing much of the market volatility because of the size of their moves in a stagnant economic market. This may explain the inability of the stock market to sustain any momentum. The dollar is weakening against the Euro in the currency markets as well.

If Cliggott is right, the president may join his father in an early presidential retirement. Next year at this time we will be looking forward to another presidential campaign. We can only hope that the president won't have to launch another economic stimulus package while he is running for re-election. Former Treasury Secretary O'Neill was given a "D" by the press recently. The judgement of the press in this case is sadly correct. The job formation and economic performance so far in the Bush presidency deserves the same grade.

Pickup lines 101: What's your major, baby?

By Andrea Dill
Chief Copy Editor

"What's your sign?" You hear that line and can just imagine the wink and nod from the sleazy guy who said it ... back in 1976. What's your sign is a shady cliché from the movies—people don't actually say that anymore, do they? The less sketchy but equally lame alternative to, "What's your sign?" for college students is, "What's your major?"

My majors are economics and English. Ask me a technical question about supply and demand or fiscal policy, and I am likely to at least recognize all of the words in your query, thanks to my eight mandatory economics classes. Alongside my economics major, I am an English major. It took me a year to declare though. After all, the shame of an English major is a heavy cross to bear.

People look at me incredulously when I divulge that I study all things economic. They are unable to conceive of the notion that somebody could find economics stimulating. Don't get me wrong—I have zero intention of becoming an economist—the classes, however, are interesting. Economics is a solid major. When word of my English major comes to light though, people scoff. English, they seem to imply, is a lightweight major; it is practically a joke. They ignore the hundreds of pages of reading, the literary analysis and the hours spent writing papers that go into being an English major, to say, "What are you going to do with that?"

Is there is a major immune to mocking? There used to be prestige in a premed major. The thought of HMOs now gives doctors a bad name. Despite the valiant efforts of upstanding attorneys on television, there are way too many lawyer jokes out there to prevent prelaw majors from being associated with injustice, lying and crooked dealings. Accounting majors have to be anal retentive and boring, but at least there are job openings now that their prospective colleagues are headed for jail. Eventually, crooked business majors who have risen through the executive ranks will accompany them in the slammer. Engineering majors all own pocket protectors and will end up becoming well-paid dorks. Artists and poets will starve should they stick to their majors, right? People associate majors with various stereotypes, and they feel the need to tell you what they think.

Without embarrassment, people are vocal about how frivolous, boring, pointless and ultimately worthless any given major is. I wonder what major someone can have without being heckled. My friend the linguistics major thinks economics is a waste of time; I am selling out, you see. A woman shocked another friend of mine when she asserted that he could do a lot of things with his international relations major. This strange lady is the only person in his life who has had a positive reaction to his major. My sister graduated from Princeton University and everybody succumbed to the temptation of asking her, "What are you going to do with a degree in history?" A secretary in the history department assured her that many graduates of Princeton with a history degree have done well. Bill Ford, Harvey Firestone and Dean Cain are all examples. Lacking a double major in nepotism or the ability to pull off Superman in tights and a cape, my sister now works in translation.

Statistics show that your major usually has little or nothing to do with where you will ultimately end up in the job market. It is some consolation for people who declared a major based on what was the lesser evil or because it was the only subject for which they could stomach the required number of courses. It seems, increasingly, that your major is not a means to an employment end. Instead, your major is the launch pad in a series of leapfrogs from job to job. Back in the olden days, people often got a job right out of school and stayed with that company until retirement. Nowadays, it seems that kids do not know what they want to do with the rest of their lives. That is perfectly acceptable though, for it is now the norm for people to have many jobs and work at a few companies over their lifetimes.

As a senior, the question people ask me has shifted to, "What are you going to do when you graduate?" This line is no less lame, but is a little bit scarier because the answer seems more important. Graduation is the big time. At least I have an answer as to my astrological sign (Leo) and major (economics and English)—but as for my future? Time will tell. People play the "What are you going to do with your life?" question fast and loose like it's a "What's your sign?" type of pickup line. It's not. At the same time, the shifting job market seems to provide some hope and solace for the undecided among us.

Perhaps decreased job security at a single firm over your lifetime comes with increased freedom to go after whatever jobs you desire. Perhaps with no set employment goals, you can change your mind and decide that the course on the history of Pig Latin was your true calling. I certainly do not know what I want to do upon hitting the "real world," but I am thinking about it now that I am in my fourth year of college without an option on a fifth. Whatever joking answer I give to the life's work inquiry, at least it is not declared like my majors or fixed like my astrological sign. Meanwhile, if you have any ideas for what I should do when I grow up, please let me know.

Opinions

University priorities misplaced

Justification for tuition increase lacks logic and persuasion

By Josh Fisher
Opinions Editor

"Bucknell provides an exceptional education to the exceptional students who enroll here," President Steffen Rogers said in his latest campus e-mail, which contained a subtle notification of the upcoming tuition hike as well as a thinly-veiled rationalization for the University's current financial woes.

The University's educational experience is so exceptional (apparently) that to the average student it is worth roughly $35,262. Next year University students will have the extra pleasure of paying 5 percent more—and 5 percent more after that, and 5 percent more. In fact, for the next seven years, the University Planning and Budget Committee's (UPBC) plan calls for 5 percent tuition increases. The comprehensive fee for attending this university will be just about $40,000 per year by the time Vision 2010 comes to fruition.

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But wait! There's more! Along with this once in a lifetime opportunity you will get free "wireless" connectivity to the network, renovations in Hunt Hall, Coleman Hall and Bostwick Cafeteria, complete with those little conveyer-belt thingies so you don't even have to see the employees cleaning up after you—the dishes go in dirty and magically come out clean!

The University's ploy in Rogers' "2003-2004 Comprehensive Fee" e-mail is quite simple: Students will abide the tuition hike in exchange for receiving more services and more of those much sought after conveniences from the University.

The burning question remains: What are we paying such an inordinate amount for? Are we paying to entertain the Board of Trustees in New York for the weekend?

Do not be fooled; this tuition hike will not result in the services and/or conveniences that you may think; in fact, the "wireless" network components Rogers mentioned were purchased nearly two years ago.

You may not know it, but the University is actually trying to cover a $2.1 million deficit from this operating year, thanks to poor endowment performance coupled with the razor-sharp intellect and financial wizardry of the administration's higher-ups, who originally failed to account for windows and maintenance costs in the Sojka Pavilion ... *cough* (former Vice President of Finance Jo-Anne Lema, who was released when she could not answer basic questions about the University's financial situation at a recent Board of Trustees meeting).

Oh, there is no question that the University does amazing things with an annual budget of $179 million, 60 percent of which (a controlling share) comes from student tuition. Take a look at that sports-oriented eyesore of a juice bar, with a projected total project cost of $64 million—now tell me that your tuition, perhaps a drop in the bucket considering the University's grander finances, is spent appropriately.

Oh and we all know that the Sojka Palace ... I mean the Sojka Pavilion ... is going to dramatically increase the exceptionality of our collective educational experience.

But all is fine and good since the University will concurrently (but perhaps unequally) increase the financial aid budget, right? On the contrary, from my experience. When Rogers so solemnly broke the news about last year's 8 percent tuition hike, my scholarship dropped by $5,000! And so currently I am still indebted to the University (financially).

The part I find particularly interesting in Rogers' e-mail mentions that "we spend a significant percentage of our budget on faculty and staff salaries ... factors that drive up our costs." Rogers so conveniently omits any mention of the budget for administrative salaries (including his own) which matches the budget for faculty salaries—$17 million.

Alas, finally I will be able to sleep soundly knowing that the administration is well taken care of.

Granted, $35,000 is a worthwhile expenditure for an exceptional education, but not when students and the University are more concerned with "conveniences" than being well-read, giving education itself short shrift.

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Are we paying to entertain the Board of Trustees in New York for the weekend?

Are we paying for the University to spit polish and market its pseudo-"Ivy League" image?

Are we paying for all the conveniences of a country club university?

Or are we paying for an education that (for some) is no more meaningful than a "B.A." or "B.S." written on a diploma, one that could be more inexpensively obtained with a public library card?

"Dubyanomics" replaces compassion

By Mike Niebauer
Senior Writer

Now that we are in year three of the era of "compassionate conservatism," the social program proposals are beginning to take the onerous shape of some of those from the Reagan years. One of the most remarkable events of those years was when Reagan was cutting the school-lunch program and they actually tried to have ketchup classified as a vegetable as a cost saving measure. Another real howler was during the first Reagan election campaign. Reagan made an eloquent speech about a fictitious "welfare queen" to rally support against public assistance programs for the poor just for the votes.

The press and other Reagan-era skeptics labeled this strategic speech on economics and Reagan's restrictive remedies "Reaganomics." Most of these proposals worked to generally undermine the social safety net of the needy. Reagan's scaling back of programs eventually paved the way for results like 40 people million without health care and the new descriptive term, "the working poor." It seems we are in for an updated version called "Dubyanomics." U.S. News and World Report was first to use the term describing the emerging Bush administration economic policy. Sadly, it looks to be accurate.

It seems that U.S. President George W. Bush's economic policy refuses to pay for expanding expenditures with tax increases. With the expansion of the projected deficit, a new expensive Homeland Security Cabinet-level department and an expected war and occupation underway within weeks, we have had no mention from the president of how to pay for these initiatives. The Federal Reserve is nearly out of room for interest-rate cuts, and corporations have no ability to increase their profits since consumers are now slowing their spending habits. It seems Bush will balance the administration's reluctance to face economic reality on the backs of the working poor and disabled.

New Medicare proposals from the White House would give more discretion to states to reduce, eliminate or (laughingly unbelievable) increase Medicare benefits for millions of low-income people. These will also include many elderly and disabled people who have little or no possible alternatives. The new rules will effect two-thirds of Medicare spending and one-third of Medicaid spending that affects the poorest. With states in debt from the prolonged economic doldrums, they are looking at massive reductions from the federal government over the next 10 years.

This is bad news for the most vulnerable during an economic downturn. Poor states will cut their benefits the most and states that choose to maintain funding levels will become recipient magnets in many cases. There is little possibility that states will increase or enhance benefits since they constitutionally have to balance their budgets. The millions of newly designated "optional beneficiaries" are the most vulnerable recipients in the system.

Where are the cuts in corporate welfare programs? Where are the cuts in the Star Wars missile defense research program? When will someone propose a minimum wage increase for struggling workers? Compassionate conservatism must have been replaced.

I'm sorry, I forgot that under "Dubynomics" "compassionate conservatism" must have been "downsized," then laid off. "Dubyanomics" has taken over and opened an offshore tax account in Bermuda to avoid paying taxes. It's good for business. The poor are not impressed. I hope they vote their pocketbooks next year.

Political labels distort reality

By Nicole Wiederspiel
Writer

Every time I hear the phrase "liberal bias," and hear specifically, that the University suffers from this disease, I am reminded that the word "liberal" has become so distorted, so in need of a historical context, that I can say for certain I don't have a clue what the word means anymore. I have a feeling I am not alone.

So how does one define a liberal, a conservative, a radical or a reactionary, anyway? It seems that yet another consequence of these postmodern times is our inability to clearly define our own constructed paradigms, or to define what is simply beyond definition.

So how does one define a liberal, a conservative, a radical or a reactionary, anyway?

I am not even going to even try to provide a dichotomy of what I perceive these words to mean. However, I think it is important that we re-examine our perceptions and misconceptions before we begin to label each other with these limited phrases that are loaded with historical, cultural and social baggage.

When thinking about our so-called "liberal bias," I am reminded of a folk song from the '60s by Phil Ochs (a personal favorite), entitled "Love me, I'm a Liberal," in which Ochs, a powerful voice of '60s protest, mocks American "liberals." While the lyrics are dated (mostly with references to the Civil Rights Movement), the song discusses ambivalence and hypocrisy, characteristics that he felt captured liberals of the 1960s, with their tendency towards embracing minorities ("as long as they don't move next door"), to not talking about revolution ("that's going a little bit too far") and their tendency to sway "10 degrees to the left of center in good times" and "10 degrees to the right of center if it affects them personally."

Upon hearing this song, I began to realize that times unfortunately haven't changed too much. The number of actual progressives on this campus (radicals, if you will) is quite small, and while many faculty members are undeniably more towards the left on the political spectrum, asserting that the University's policies are dominated by the so-called "liberal" faculty, is faulty to say the least.

Hopefully I don't need to tell you that University President Steffen Rogers and the Board of Trustees wield a considerable amount of power and influence, and theirs is a whitewashed politics of ambiguous moderation, lip service to the political-correctness "movement" and a flagrant disregard for social justice masked by condescending charity.

Then there's the student population. There are not many self-proclaimed revolutionaries and social activists walking around campus—and the minority of those who are are overextended, stressed and disillusioned with the dismal political situation are desperately trying not to surrender to the massive tides of ambivalence.

I mean, how many students are willing to demonstrate in Washington D.C., and protest something, be it the impending war with Iraq, the appalling amount of poverty on a global scale or the rights of the SUV driver?

I have been affected by this ambivalence all too much—as social outreach director of a campus organization, I unsuccessfully attempted to organize a food fast to raise awareness and funds in regards to world hunger. I was evidently "going too far."

However, I think it is important that we re-examine our perceptions and misconceptions before we begin to label each other with these limited phrases that are loaded with historical, cultural and social baggage.

The progressive voice on this campus is growing, yet still painfully small. But to assert that a "liberal bias," that is to say, a progressive bias, pervades this campus is an erroneous assumption.

The University is still overwhelmingly a place in which a murky, self-serving conservatism reigns, and the denial of this fact is disconcerting.

A new and improved GOP?

An opportunity for Republicans to match policy to rhetoric

By Peter Hackeman
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In a recent interview with *The Hill*, Sen. Rick Santorum, R-Pa., announced that Senate Republicans have a plan to attract minority voters to support the GOP. When probed for the reasons behind the current outreach to minorities, and African Americans in particular, Santorum admitted that repairing the image problems the GOP suffered during the scandal surrounding Sen. Trent Lott, R-Miss., and a general need to win a larger percentage of the African American vote were the two main motivations. It is not surprising to see an elected official cater to a specific voting group and it's not disturbing for me to see him do so in a very open and public way.

I have no problem with Santorum admitting that he is going to lead the GOP in an effort to win the hearts, minds and particularly votes of some of our nation's African Americans. In fact, I applaud him for trying to do so and for being so up front about why he is trying. It's those reasons that make it so unfortunate that he and many of his GOP colleagues are planning this outreach in the way they are.

The very key to their plan is simple: Keep the same policies the Republican Party has advocated since the 1960s, but change the way they sell themselves to minorities. Ever since the "Southern Strategy" became something near gospel for the GOP, they've found themselves getting support from the African American community in the pathetically low level of single digits.

Based on this, Santorum has a unique opportunity to be a true leader in our government. He can decide that as he reaches out to African Americans with words and symbols, he is also going to reach out with his votes.

For the past 30 or so years, that was still enough to win national elections and to keep near a respectable number of the seats in the Congress.

The "Southern Strategy" worked because Republicans running for Senate in Illinois, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, Maine and even Pennsylvania ran very different campaigns than those Republicans running in Mississippi, Texas, Alabama and other southern states. Republicans running for national office made sure to appeal to the less than racially tolerant voters in the South without offending the tolerant suburban swing voters in the Northeast and Upper Midwest.

Leaving a debate about the honesty and morality of this strategy to another place and time, the important fact about the current approach is that Republicans realize that the changing demographics of our country are rendering this strategy obsolete. Unfortunately, instead of altering their policy positions to fit the new image of the GOP, Republicans are only changing the window dressing of their party. The policies that have evolved during the past years will now be changed in name only.

Aside from some symbolic attempts by President George W. Bush to lure minorities back to the party of Lincoln, the Republicans are still the party of Jerry Falwell, Pat Robertson, David Duke, Trent Lott and company. While there are elements seeking to change the wayward policies of the party, like Sens. Snow and Collins of Maine and Sen. Lincoln Chaffee, R.I., the party leadership and the majority of the rank and file members want to have their anti-minority cake and eat it too.

A cursory glance at this session's Senate controversy serves as a perfect illustration. When Lott became embroiled in the controversy surrounding his comments about former Sen. Strom Thurmond, R-S.C., the leading contenders to succeed him as Senate Republican leader were Sen. Bill Frist, R-Tenn., Sen, Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., Sen. Don Nickles, R-Okla., and Santorum. All five of these men received ratings of "F" from the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP). While the NAACP might not be the absolute authority on issues of importance to minorities in this country, it is still the leading organization devoted to the legislative issues of African Americans. The simple fact that the current and potential leaders of the GOP in the Senate all got the worst rating is illustrative.

I often dislike simplistic ratings for representatives and senators, so I took a look at the votes the NAACP used to rate the senators. The results, obtained from the Library of Congress's Web page www.thomas.loc.gov, were more appalling than I anticipated.

For example, Santorum voted with the NAACP 18 percent of the time, which amounts to three votes in the NAACP's important issues listing. However, these votes were no-brainers, or "throwaway" votes as they are sometimes called. He voted in favor of an amendment that supported the civil rights of American Muslims and condemned acts of violence against Arab-Americans after Sept. 11; he supported changing the name of an election reform bill to the Martin Luther King Jr. Equal Protection of Voting Rights Act of 2001; and he voted for final passage of the aforementioned bill. These were hardly acts of courage and conviction; the three votes were 98-0, 97-0 and 99-1.

On the votes where there was any doubt about the outcome, Santorum showed his true colors. He voted, in Senate vote 91, against full funding for providing aid to public schools that serve poor and disadvantaged children. He voted, in Senate vote 100, against money for bilingual education. He voted, in Senate vote 180, against "requiring states to provide essentially the same services to schools in low-income neighborhoods that they offer to schools in wealthier areas," according to NAACP.org. And in the most outrageous example, he tried to kill the very same Martin Luther King Jr. Equal Protection of Voting Rights Act that he made such a show of supporting in the earlier mentioned votes. Santorum voted, in Senate vote 40, against ending debate so that a vote on the bill's passage could be taken. Again, all of these votes are on the public record, available from the Library of Congress.

Based on this, Santorum has a unique opportunity to be a true leader in our government. He can decide that as he reaches out to African Americans with words and symbols, he is also going to reach out with his votes. He, as a member of the leadership team, can show his fellow Republicans in the Senate that governing is still about actions, not wholly about rhetoric. He can make a great name for this state by being a leader in the Republicans movement toward a more inclusive party.

If the GOP intends to receive a higher percentage of votes from ethnic minorities in this country, it should try to earn them instead of misleading voters. I have faith that eventually the Republicans will do this. With the shifting political winds making the African American and Hispanic vote more and more vital to electoral success, the GOP will have no choice but to adjust its policies to fit the views of all Americans, not just conservative, white Southerners.

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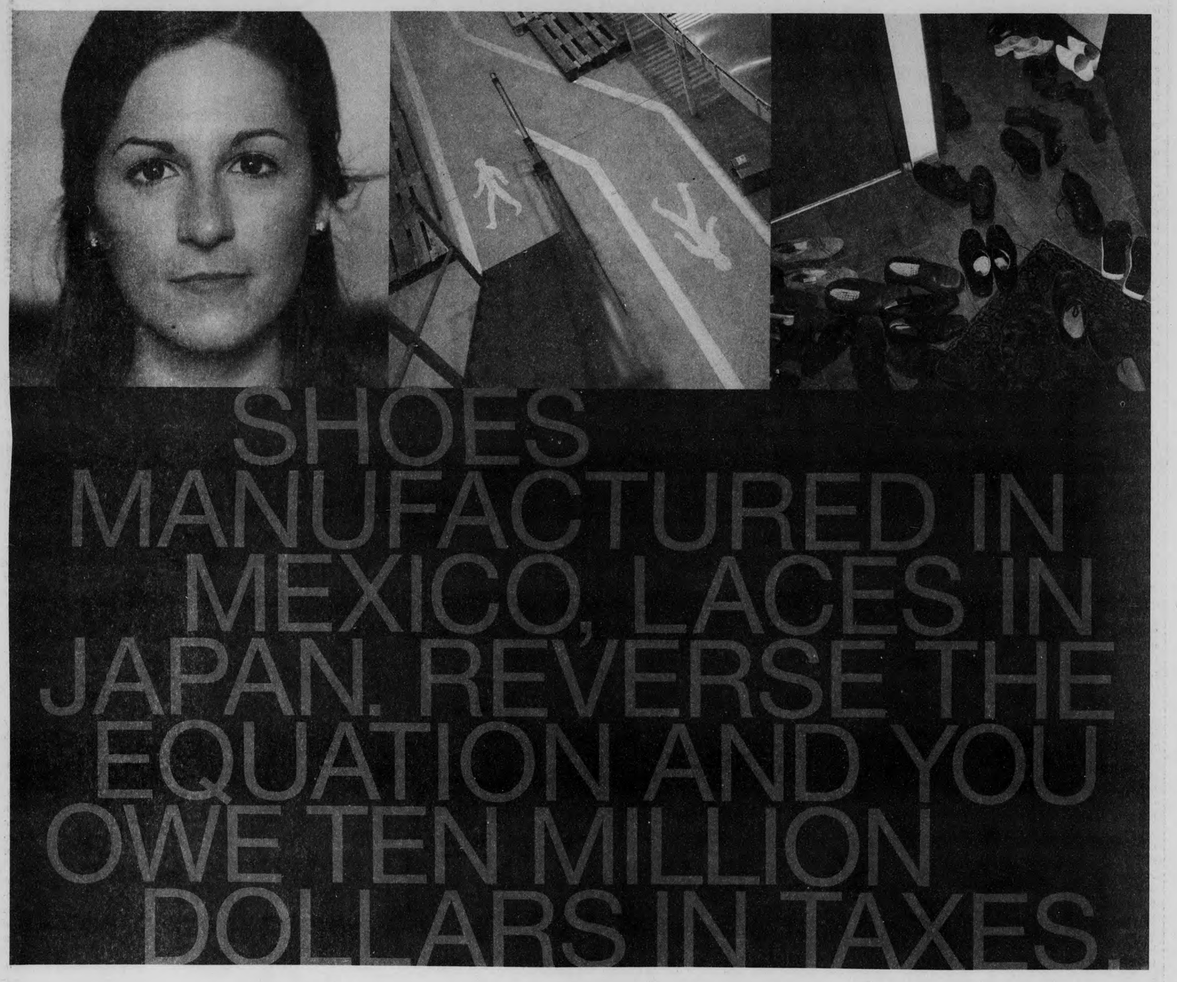

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Spring considers running for Senate in 2004

By Lindsey Gentel
Staff Writer

Jerry Springer is showing that he is more than simply the host of one of America's favorite television talk shows. The Democratic talk show host was once a campaign aide to Sen. Robert Kennedy, D-Mass., and was elected to the Cincinnati mayor's office. He has also won five Emmys as a television newsman. Could a run for the U.S. Senate be next on Springer's agenda?

Springer has said he will decide by the summer whether to challenge Sen. George Voinovich, R-Ohio, for the Senate in 2004.

The man who changed the face of daytime television may face his biggest obstacle from his own party. Several of his fellow Democrats have spoken publicly about the questionable nature of Springer as a serious candidate.

"Springer wouldn't be my first choice for Senate. I understand he was a mayor at one point, but I think we can do a lot better than that, and I'm sure Ohio will," said Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., according to CNN.com.

> *"And if no one else is going to run and represent the point of view [of millions of people], then I'll do it."*
> *—Jerry Springer*

Springer remains optimistic, emphasizing that he is considering the possibility of running due to the lack of support he feels people receive from the government.

"I don't need the job. I'm happy where I am. I have a good life. Being a United States senator isn't going to make me rich. It isn't going to make me famous," said Springer on "Crossfire." "I honestly care about certain things. And if no one else is going to run and represent the point of view [of millions of people], then I'll do it. That's the point."

If Springer does run, his campaign must rely heavily on emphasizing that he can be taken seriously as an elected official. Making a living off a show with topics such as, "My Boyfriend is a Girl," "Your Lover is Mine," "Mistresses Attack!" "My Brother is my Lover!" and so on, could cast some serious doubt on the possibility of voters seeing Springer as a genuine candidate.

"This isn't about a reward for Jerry Springer. Who the hell cares whether Jerry Springer gets a job or not? That isn't about me. Our country is in trouble. And there are people that think our politics is a bunch of crap, to be honest. They don't think the government relates to them at all," Springer said on "Crossfire."

Some critics see the attack on Springer as extremely unfair and rather elitist. They argue that dismissing him as a legitimate candidate simply by how he currently earns his living is completely undemocratic.

Regardless of the issues surrounding his qualities as a senator, Springer emphasized that the voters should simply decide for themselves.

"[If I'm not a qualified candidate], it's going to be so obvious during the course of the campaign. But I am prepared to discuss the issues as they relate to the people of Ohio. They're going to judge. That's what this whole system is about," Springer said on "Crossfire."

Angry rioters protest in Ivory Coast

By Gretchen Schrock
Business & Politics Editor

Courtesy of Reuters

At least 100,000 protesters gather in Abidjan, Ivory Coast to demonstrate against a French-brokered peace accord and French President Jacques Chirac. The sign reads, "Chirac! Chirac! Whatever you do the last word belongs to the people." The peace accord was aimed at ending a four-month civil war in Ivory Coast.

Citizens of the Ivory Coast stormed the streets of Abidjan by the tens of thousands last Saturday and Sunday to challenge the French-brokered peace accord aimed at ending the four-month civil war in this war-torn African country. The demonstrations were the largest in the country since a failed coup attempt forced Ivory Coast, the world's largest cocoa producer, into ethnic conflict.

On Sunday, stone-throwing mobs attacked the French embassy and army base in Abidjan. French soldiers used tear gas, stun grenades and water cannons to drive away the demonstrators. According to CNN.com, protesters had besieged French buildings across Abidjan, the commercial capital of 3 million inhabitants, and destroyed the French cultural center and two French schools. A main shopping center and a private radio station were also ransacked. Homes and businesses owned by foreigners, including French, Lebanese and North Africans, had also been targets of the mob violence.

According to CNN.com, French President Jacques Chirac said of the violence, "It is extremism that I condemn, and that President Gbagbo [of Ivory Coast] has condemned. The French government has taken a number of military measures to make sure that French and other foreign interests in Abidjan are protected."

The New York Times reported that the peace accord, negotiated during talks in Marcoussis, France, envisions a "government of reconciliation," in which Gbagbo's elected government and the rebels who attempted to oust him would share power. The new government would be led by an interim prime minister until new elections are held. Gbagbo would remain as president until his term ends in 2005.

Gbagbo's supporters are reluctant to relinquish any measure of governing authority to the rebels. Gbagbo has yet to say whether he plans to follow the conditions of the peace deal, though he has called some parts of the accord "proposals," according to *The New York Times*.

"There are two ways to end a conflict. Either you win the war or submit to negotiation and compromise. I did not win the war," Gbagbo said to the Associated Press.

The protesters, whose numbers were estimated at 100,000-300,000, directed their wrath at France, Ivory Coast's former colonial ruler, which mediated the peace negotiations. They blamed the French government with forcing their president into an unattractive peace deal, which, in their opinion, favors the rebels. The protesters claimed that the rebels have been offered defense and interior ministry portfolios.

U.N. Secretary General Kofi Annan dismissed accusations that France pushed Gbagbo to sign the agreement.

"This is an agreement negotiated by the Ivorian parties. ... The agreement and peace cannot be imposed," Annan said at a West African summit in Paris, according to *The Washington Post*.

While waving American flags and listening to American pop music, the crowd also appealed to the United States to intervene on its behalf.

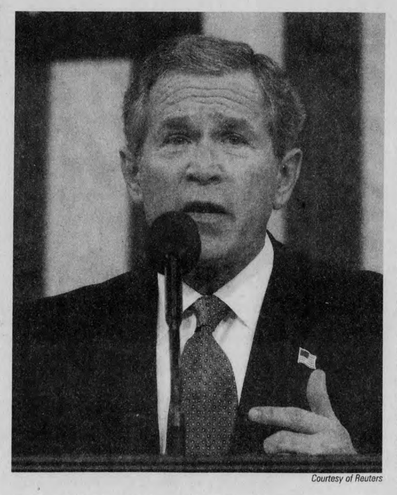
According to *The New York Times* and *The Washington Post*, Charles Ble Goude, the leader of the Young Patriots, an umbrella group that organized the rally, said, "I want the United States to come and help my country, which is being destroyed by the right wing of the French government ... France has disappointed us. They gave power to people who took up arms against Ivory Coast. They have opened Pandora's box."

Unfortunately for the deal's opponents, the Bush administration has expressed its approval for the peace accord.

The Washington Post reported that West African leaders, worried that the violent insurgency might cause another full-fledged war in the region, also welcomed the fragile peace deal. They also pledged to create a committee to oversee its implementation and urged the United Nations to send military and civilian observers. French troops and regional forces already assembled in Ivory Coast would assume the role of supervisor of the rebel disarmament.

The peace accord also provides for amnesty for rebel soldiers and an international commission to investigate supposed human rights abuses. Delegates at the peace summit agreed to nominate Seydou Diarra, a career diplomat who served as prime minister in a previous national unity government, as interim prime minister.

SEC to benefit from President's new budget



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President Bush delivers his State of the Union Address and discusses budget issues. He plans to substantially increase the SEC's funding.

By Jim Leahy
Senior Writer

While the nation steams towards a possible war with Iraq, domestic issues remain on the minds of many Americans. As the State of the Union Address suggested, the domestic agenda of this administration may remain in the forefront even if the media coverage of the conflict with Iraq takes center stage.

Earlier this week, President George W. Bush released his fiscal 2004 budget, a document that promises a 4 percent increase in federal spending, up to $2.2 trillion. Revenues are projected at $1.9 trillion and the president acknowledges that there will be larger deficits in the coming years; he maintains that the deficit will only be slightly more than 2.7 percent of the gross domestic product.

There is one number on the minds of Wall Street that may not be getting the same press as other portions of the budget. The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), the regulatory agency long blamed for lapses leading to events like the collapse of Ehron, is getting a substantial boost from the 2004 budget. This boost, if it were passed, would place the commission as one of the few agencies getting significant spending increases.

According to a recent report in *The New York Times*, the "White House said it would seek a budget of $842 million for the year beginning Oct. 1, or 92 percent above what Congress appropriated last year."

"Officials also say that operations throughout the agency have been plagued by outdated computer technology, and, until last year, by professional pay scales that significantly lagged behind other financial regulatory agencies, leading to defections from the SEC. The agency's budget for the current year, like the rest of the federal government's budget, has not been settled by Congress," *The New York Times* reported.

The Wall Street Journal detailed some of the plans the agency has for the money the federal government is going to provide.

"The agency is planning to use the additional money to increase its staff by 505 employees—at a total cost of about $98.9 million. The budget would also give 3 percent pay raises to employees, at a cost of about $9.4 million, and $28 million would be available for 'merit raises.'"

"SEC officials have long insisted that they needed to offer higher wages and bonuses to prevent experienced employees from leaving for higher-paying jobs in the private sector or elsewhere in the government," according to *The Wall Street Journal*.

"Under the proposed budget, the investment-management regulation division, which polices areas such as investment companies and mutual funds, would get an additional 153 staffers. The SEC's enforcement division would see its funding rise 13 percent, from $370 million this year to $422 million in 2004, allowing it to hire an additional 151 attorneys and accountants," reported *The Wall Street Journal*.

The SEC is in a very strange position within the government. Budget increases for its programs are being looked at positively by members of both parties, largely due to the increase in corporate scandal over the past several years. All politicians are eager to see a commission with bigger teeth that can police the happenings of the securities markets to protect not only individual investors, but also corporations. If anything, there is the possibility that some may see the budgetary increases for the SEC as lacking in dollar amount. Some may ask for more money to fight corporate crime.

The president's budget is under heavy fire from all sides, especially from Democrats. Many Republicans have doubts about significant portions of the budget and there will likely be much debate about it in the coming months. The major sticking points appear to be homeland security, Medicare, the tax cuts and the deficits that will be required to sustain this level of spending.

Senate Budget Committee Chairman Don Nickles, R-Okla., called Bush's budget "an excellent starting point" in *The Los Angeles Times*, "and expressed hope Congress would hold total discretionary spending increases to 4 percent as Bush is requesting."

Other Republicans suggested that might not be politically possible.

According to *The Los Angeles Times*, Senate Finance Committee Chairman Charles E. Grassley, R-Iowa, said that the budget "charts a straightforward course for peace and prosperity for America."

However, Grassley voiced his reservations about the Bush Medicare proposal and tax cuts. He feels that the tax cut legislation will have little to no chance of passing through the Senate as it is currently written.

Democrats are coming out with harsher views, *The Los Angeles Times* reported.

"Congressional Democrats assailed the president for running up the deficit to historic levels, with no concrete plan for bringing the government's books back into balance."

"In the face of the worst fiscal reversal in U.S. history and a declining economy, the administration's only response is to propose more of the same failed policies," said Sen. Kent Conrad, D-S.D., ranking Democrat on the Senate Budget Committee, according to *The Los Angeles Times*.

"This budget is a rip-off for the rich that starves our schools, health care and even homeland security," said Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., in *The Los Angeles Times*.

What happens with the Bush budget remains to be seen. The SEC is likely to get most of its funding, given the politics surrounding the federal budgeting process. The government will be able to say more about the commission's role in policing the markets and keeping corporate crime to a minimum.

Bucknell Remembers

When the Challenger exploded on Jan. 28, 1986, some University students were in their first year of elementary school and others were just starting preschool. Faculty members were at different stages in their lives, some pursuing their undergraduate degree and others obtaining their graduate degree. Seventeen years later, members of the University community experienced a similar tragedy, the Columbia breaking up over Texas. The Bucknellian asked faculty and students to reflect on their memories about the Challenger and Columbia explosions.

A special feature by Aaron DeRosa and Rachel Laskow

Courtesy of Reuters

The crew of the Space Shuttle Columbia on Dec. 20, 2002 (left to right): Mission Commander Rick Husband, Pilot William McCool, Payload Specialist Ilan Ramon (the first Israeli astronaut), Mission Specialist David Brown, Payload Commander Michael Anderson, Mission Specialist Laurel Clark and Kalpana Chawla. The shuttle planned to arrive at the Kennedy Space Center at 9:16 a.m. EST on Feb. 3, 2003, but NASA officials lost contact with the orbiter. Texas residents reported seeing an explosion in the sky that was later confirmed to be the Space Shuttle Columbia.

I woke up Saturday around noon and logged on to my computer and check MSNBC.com to see if anything was happening. I saw the headlines "Space Shuttle Explosion." I immediately ran to my television and watched the rest on the news. My first reaction was no way this could happen; I mean space shuttles don't just explode anymore. Being an engineer and knowing how much testing and work goes into making sure something as important as the space shuttle, made me wonder how could this happen. I felt kind of numb for a while, wanting to know more answers and reasons on how could this happen. So I pretty much glued myself to the television and watched as much as I could about it.

—**Justin Schwartz** '04

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I recall [the Challenger explosion] so clearly—I had been fascinated by the idea of sending a teacher into space program because as a kid I had wanted to be either an archaeologist or an astronaut. I had scrapbooks of every moonshot. I fretted through every moment of Apollo 13. In 1986, I was in graduate school. I had a beautiful little office with a beautiful view of the old campus. When I heard about Challenger I stared out that window for hours trying to deal with what then was the unimaginable. That view is frozen into a corner of my mind and it came back to me in all of its detail on Saturday morning.

I had just awoken and was listening to NPR. They said that Columbia was due to land in 13 minutes. The terrified flyer in me thought that; I wished they wouldn't tell me things like that, I'd rather know after they land. It's strange to think now that they were already gone at that moment.

—**Janet Jones**, assoc. professor of classics

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When Challenger exploded I was an undergraduate at Williams College. The TV room in my dorm was in the basement, just across from the laundry room. I was doing laundry that day and saw an unusually large crowd gathered around the TV. Many people standing. I remember watching the video again and again. Because the program was still young, and because I was young, I remember thinking maybe this would put an end to the idea of a reusable, winged spacecraft. I also remember feeling the futility and impotence of a failed liftoff—not the shock and utter letdown of a failed homecoming.

I read about Columbia on *The New York Times* Web Site. It was just a headline because there was no information in yet, and the headline said something like "contact lost." I thought perhaps this could be the beginnings of a great action movie with the astronauts performing heroic feats of interstellar prowess to re-establish contact and land the spaceship safely. An hour later, when I turned on the television, I thought differently. I had returned from a trip the night before, and during my airtravel I remember remarking on the beautiful view of the tops of clouds. I thought of something I had discussed with my class last term: that modern man really has seen it all when he can see the tops of clouds; what was once a lid keeping us from the heavens was now just another element in the sky. We live amidst an epidemic of seeing. It was all so beautiful to look at. Accidents like Columbia call me back from this dream of the omnipotence of man gained through science, and they remind me of the perils of seeing too much.

—**Jeff Kosky**, visiting associate professor of religion

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I was working in a lab at Haverford (as part of my graduate work) when someone ran in and told us to turn on the television. I have to say that I was devastated by the Challenger explosion. My first reaction: "Oh my, isn't the teacher on this flight?" And, "There are seven people on the shuttle, what happened to them?"

But it is more than that—I grew up as a big fan of the space program (I was obsessive about it as a kid), gave tours at the National Air and Space Museum as a teen-ager (as part of the tours, I'd explain the shuttle and how it was going to work) and was very excited about the beginning of the shuttle program in 1980/1981. But the Challenger explosion was particularly poignant because some friends and I drove down to Florida and saw the first launching of the Challenger from the Kennedy Space Center complex. (This is amazing—if you ever get a chance to see a launch, it is incredible.) So, when I was watching the repeats of the explosion in 1986 (several hundred times), I kept wondering what I would have done had this happened the time I was down there watching.

My reaction was quite different this time—of course, there is the shock and sadness. But it wasn't quite the same thing as Challenger, because it wasn't the first time that I had gone through this. And I've always been amazed that they can get the thing back through the atmosphere—the maneuvers that the shuttle does are really incredible during re-entry. Frankly, it seemed almost inevitable that something like this would happen someday. And I think that another difference is that this disaster comes only a year after watching the WTC towers collapse killing 3,000 people, not to mention all the school shootings in the past few years. The Challenger accident stood out much more in 1986 because there weren't so many other horrible things going on at the time.

—**Tom Solomon**, associate professor of physics

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I heard about the Columbia's explosion sometime Saturday evening. I was busy Saturday during the day and I was shocked when one of my friends brought up the explosion.

Over the past couple of days I have attentively read all of *The New York Times* articles pertaining to this event. This is a tragic event not only for the astronauts and their families, but for our nation as a whole. I am curious to see what evidence will surface over the next few weeks explaining why this space shuttle exploded.

—**Marisa Aronson** '06

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I was working a grad school job as a doorman at an apartment building on the South Side of Chicago [when I found out the Challenger exploded]. I picked up bits and pieces of news from residents as they walked through, and finally, one of them brought me a radio so I could listen to the news updates. It was weird because all my friends saw it on TV, but I only heard about it on the radio—and our feelings were very different. I was thinking about how sad the loss was, especially of Christa McAuliffe, the teacher onboard, while my friends were more shocked and fascinated by the images of the explosion itself.

Last Saturday I was working in my office at the back of Rooke Chapel when I turned on the radio and heard the news right when they first announced that the Columbia was not responding to communications and hadn't landed in Florida. I found myself almost surprisingly saddened and almost overcome. I guess you think you've seen it all, especially after Sept. 11, 2001, and that you can't be moved by anything anymore. And then you see the videotape of the faces of the astronauts and hear their enthusiasm; or you see the parents of an astronaut who have just been told he won't be coming back—and the sense of great hopes dashed and good people lost still gets to you. It seems there's so little in today's world that isn't somehow compromised—but certainly the motivation of the seven people to serve science and explore space seemed pure.

—**Ian Oliver**, University chaplain

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I saw the TV say breaking news, so I stopped to see what happened. Then I finally asked another student and she told me that Columbia had exploded, and I was shocked. It just didn't seem possible that it could happen again. And after the events of Sept. 11, the first thing I thought was that it must have been terrorist related. Then as more information came out about the tragedy and the terrorist fears were dispelled, but the great loss of Americans will always be in our minds.

—**Jennifer Prunoske** '05

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When the Challenger exploded I was in kindergarten. I remember that we were all crying because we were sad that there was a teacher on board. Even as 5-year-olds we could relate to it because it made us think of our teacher ...

I just kept thinking that the Columbia explosion was such a terrible thing to have happen, especially since it was many of the astronauts' first trip. It definitely brought back sad memories of the Challenger.

—**Sarah Mayson** '03

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I think I was in first grade and I remember my teacher telling the class about the Challenger explosion and we had a schoolwide assembly where we saw the news footage of the explosion and the principal gave us a speech.

Last Saturday I was getting into my car to drive to the Bison and I heard on the radio that a space shuttle exploded on its way back into Earth's atmosphere. After I got my food to go, I came home and sat in front of the TV watching CNN for most of the day trying to put all the pieces together. I could not believe that a space shuttle exploded; it made me realize how much I take space travel for granted now since I have not watched nor thought about watching a shuttle take off or land since I was about 10.

—**Sal Cataldo** '03

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My first memory of the Challenger is when I was in elementary school. I was in the library, looking at photos on the wall, and I saw some of the smoke trail left by the shuttle just after it took off. I remember asking the librarian what they were. I probably had heard of the Challenger before then, but that moment is the first concrete memory that I have of it.

I found out about the Columbia on the afternoon of the 1st. I was in my room, procrastinating doing my work by reading some things online. I went to CNN's page, and I saw all of the articles about the Columbia. My reaction was one of great sorrow. I was so sorry for the people who had died, and for their families. I read an article briefly that detailed what had happened, but I was more interested in the articles that dealt with the astronauts themselves. I wanted to learn about them, their names, their ages, their jobs on the shuttle, where they were from, etc. In finding out information about the shuttle, I was the most interested in learning who the people themselves were. I'm the most sorry for their loss.

—**Meghann Peace** '04

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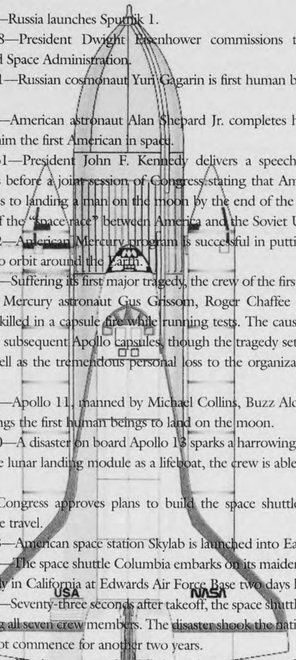
I was quite shocked to learn how very close it was to Earth when it first began to break up. The loss of the Columbia crew was heart wrenching. What was more horrifying was that I read in *The New York Times* that in some part of Texas and Louisiana people are finding the crew members amongst the debris. I think that this is an unfortunate mechanical problem and in no way related to terrorism. The loss of Israel's first astronaut is terribly tragic, but it should not be made into anything it is not. I certainly hope that the reason for the failure is able to be identified. I also hope that this incident does not impede future space explorations. That would be the greater tragic.

—**Katie Kleissas** '04

A timeline of space travel



- Oct. 4, 1957—Russia launches Sputnik 1.
- Oct. 1, 1958—President Dwight Eisenhower commissions the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.
- April 12, 1961—Russian cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin is first human being to orbit the planet.
- May 5, 1961—American astronaut Alan Shepard Jr. completes his suborbital flight, making him the first American in space.
- May 25, 1961—President John F. Kennedy delivers a speech on Urgent National Needs before a joint session of Congress stating that America should devote resources to landing a man on the moon by the end of the decade, officially kicking off the "space race" between America and the Soviet Union.
- Feb. 20, 1962—American Mercury program is successful in putting astronaut John Glenn into orbit around the Earth.
- Jan. 27, 1967—Suffering its first major tragedy, the crew of the first Apollo mission, including Mercury astronaut Gus Grissom, Roger Chaffee and Edward White II, were killed in a capsule fire while running tests. The causes of the fire were fixed in all subsequent Apollo capsules, though the tragedy set NASA back two years, as well as the tremendous personal loss to the organization and the country.
- July 20, 1969—Apollo 11, manned by Michael Collins, Buzz Aldrin and Neil Armstrong, brings the first human beings to land on the moon.
- April 13, 1970—A disaster on board Apollo 13 sparks a harrowing rescue operation. Using the lunar landing module as a lifeboat, the crew is able to return to earth safely.
- 1972—U.S. Congress approves plans to build the space shuttle, a reusable "ferry" for space travel.
- May 14, 1973—American space station Skylab is launched into Earth's orbit.
- Apr. 12, 1981—The space shuttle Columbia embarks on its maiden voyage and lands successfully in California at Edwards Air Force Base two days later.
- Jan. 28, 1986—Seventy-three seconds after takeoff, the space shuttle Challenger exploded, killing all seven crew members. The disaster shook the nation and shuttle flights did not commence for another two years.
- Feb. 19, 1986—Russian space station Mir is put into orbit around Earth.
- November 1998—The first component of the International Space Station, a joint effort by the United States, Russia and 14 other countries, is put into orbit.
- Jan. 16, 2003—The space shuttle Columbia is launched.
- Feb. 1, 2003—Set to land in Florida, NASA awaits the arrival of the space shuttle Columbia. During re-entry, reports are made of an explosion over Texas. It is confirmed to be Columbia. Seven astronauts die in the explosion.

On Feb. 3, 2003, the families of the deceased astronauts released a joint statement. It reads: "On January 16th, we saw our loved ones launch into a brilliant, cloud-free sky. Their hearts were full of enthusiasm, pride in country, faith in their God and a willingness to accept risk in the pursuit of knowledge—knowledge that might improve the quality of life for all mankind. Columbia's 16-day mission of scientific discovery was a great success, cut short by mere minutes—yet it will live on forever in our memories. We want to thank the NASA family and people from around the world for their incredible outpouring of love and support. Although we grieve deeply, as do the families of Apollo 1 and Challenger before us, the bold exploration of space must go on. Once the root cause of this tragedy is found and corrected, the legacy of Columbia must carry on—for the benefit of our children and yours."

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Men start road trip with victory over Colgate

By Dave Cohen
Senior Writer

The Bison men's basketball team began its first Friday-Sunday Patriot League road trip with a victory at Colgate by the count of 62-42 on Jan. 31. Boakai Lalugba '03 tallied 18 points and 10 rebounds, while the team shot 46 percent from the floor and 83 percent from the foul line. Although the squad picked up a win, Dan Blankenship '03 is not an advocate of playing two games in three days.

"I don't like it (the Friday-Sunday league schedule) because it gives an advantage to the teams with depth," Blankenship said. "With the current status of our team, we are obviously at a disadvantage."

This was evident, as Bucknell fell to Holy Cross 69-47 in front of a sold-out crowd of 4,000 in Worcester, Mass., Feb. 2. The Crusaders (16-4, 6-1) outscored the Bison 39-22 in the second half. Blankenship described the reasons for his team's poor second-half play.

"We let our offensive struggles affect our defense," Blankenship said. "You have to give it to Holy Cross because they played well and hit their shots. My foul trouble hurt our first-half performance."

Bucknell appeared to be in good shape, trailing only 36-31 with 16 minutes remaining in the game, but a 25-7 run in the next eight minutes by Holy Cross sealed the deal. The Crusaders drained five threes in the run, despite the fact that they failed to connect from downtown in the first stanza of play. A late 9-0 run by the Orange and Blue cut the Holy Cross deficit to 14 points, but it was too little, too late.

Bucknell's superstars were plagued by foul trouble in the first half. Lalugba, Blankenship and Davorin Skornik '04 all had three fouls respectively. Despite this, the Bison led 21-16 with seven minutes remaining in the half on a couple of Kevin Bettencourt '06 free throws. Bucknell did not convert on a field goal in the final 9 minutes, 41 seconds of the half and the Crusaders went into the locker room on a 14-4 run.

Lalugba had his 12th double-double of the season, scoring 11 points and grabbing 10 rebounds. In front of nearly 100 of his hometown fans, Bettencourt scored 10 points, all in the first half, while Blankenship added 11 of his own for the game. Chris Niesz '05 matched his career-high with nine points, connecting on all three of his three-point attempts. Niesz claims that he, as well as the team, is aware of the reasons for their lack of offensive productivity at times.

"We started taking bad shots," Niesz said. "We stopped moving on offense and we didn't let the game come to us. We tried to force things and then we lost our composure."

As for what it will take to knock off the league's two-time defending league champs next time around, Niesz said the team needs to improve on offense and defense.

"We need to stay out of foul trouble," Niesz said. "We need to defend better and score more points than them next time."

Assistant Coach Sean McAloon agreed that foul trouble will hamper the team's ability to compete with the Crusaders.

"We need to stay out of foul trouble and be smarter with our fouls," McAloon said. "If we play smarter, we can stay in the game with these guys [Holy Cross]. We lost our leadership on Sunday with Boakai and Danny being forced to sit on the bench so early. We had a couple of lineups out there that we weren't accustomed to having. It was a dire situation and we did not make plays when we needed to."

Bucknell was out-rebounded 37-31 and shot a mere 32 percent from the floor as the team fell to 10-10 overall and 4-3 in the Patriot League. The team resumes play tomorrow at 1p.m. in the nation's capital at American University.

Women head into Patriots undefeated

With a win over Lehigh the women end the regular season with an undefeated dual meet season

By Stephen Schwanhausser
Staff Writer

The Bucknell women's swimming and diving team competed against rival Lehigh in their final dual meet of the season last Saturday. This contest ends their normal season competition and, for the first time in school history, the team completed an undefeated dual-meet season as they crushed the Mountain Hawks 215-85. The meet was full of Bison victories as the team captured 1st in all but one event.

"It is always thrilling to beat Lehigh. We have had a long-time rivalry with them and victory always feels great," Head Coach Jerry Foley commented. "To finish our dual meet season in such terrific fashion bodes really well for the Patriot League Championships, it was certainly a Bison day."

The meet was an obvious success and the finality of the win shows the true depth of the squad.

The meet was kicked off in fabulous fashion with a win and school record in the 200-meter medley relay. The team of Darby Golino '03, Jamie Flick '05, Mary Krakowski '06 and Meghan Freese '04 finished in a time of 1 minute, 47.28 seconds, over five seconds ahead of Lehigh's top entry. As the meet continued, it was nothing but Bucknell success as Daniela Faas '04 won the 1,000 freestyle in a time of 10:30.05, crushing the heat and setting her best time of the season by almost six seconds. As the winner of the mile at Patriot League Championships in 2002, look for Faas to be a strong contributor at the 2003 event. In the 200 freestyle the victory came to Jen Cancro '04 as she finished in a time of 1:57.13 and was followed closely by Lectie Altman '06, who snagged 3rd in 1:58.08.

As the meet raged on with the first stroke event, the 100 backstroke, the Bison showed their depth as the trio of Golino, Altman, and Trish Rado '05 seized 1st through 3rd places, respectively. Golino finished in a time of 58.27, a personal and team best for this season.

After dipping under 30 seconds in the breastroke leg of the 200 medley relay, Flick was back in the 100 breaststroke to capture first in a time of 1:05.97, another season best.

The 200 butterfly was the only event in which the Bison were unable to capture gold. They did the next best thing as Jackie Feinthel '04, Becky Dolan '03 and Vanessa Scaringi '06 placed 2nd through 4th, respectively.

Next the Bison dominated the 50 freestyle as Freese captured 1st in a time of 24.12, only .02 seconds slower than her winning time in this event at last year's Patriot League Championships. She was backed up by teammates Krakowski and Erica Wild '06, who finished in 25.18 and 25.20 for 2nd and 3rd places, respectively. Freese was the winner once again in the 100-yard free, where she destroyed the heat and finished in 52.63.

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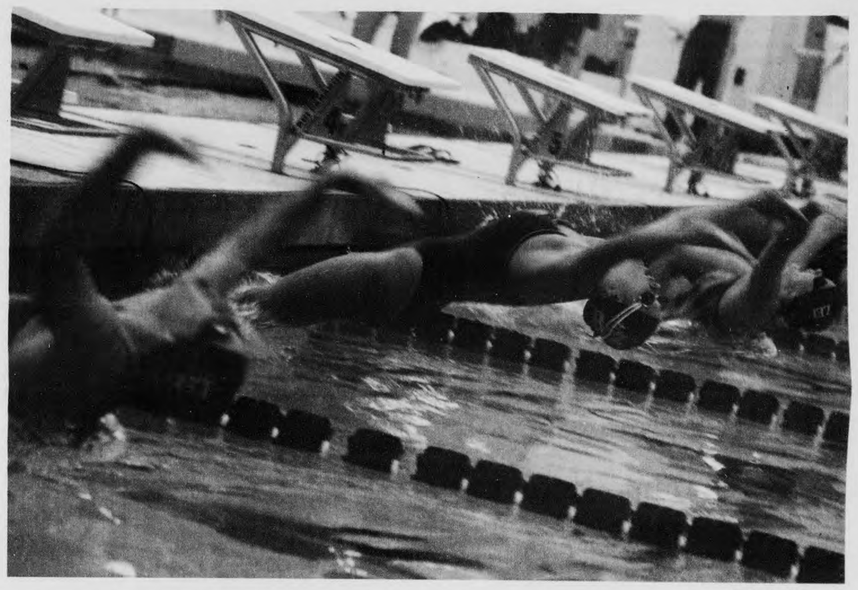

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Lectie Altman '06 explodes off the blocks in the dual meet against Lehigh on Saturday. Darby Golino '03 (58.27), Altman (1:00.51) and Tricia Rado '05 (1:02.62) captured the top three times in the 100 backstroke. Before the meet the Bison honored seniors Gonzalo Diaz, Rebecca Dolan, Christopher Feinthel, Golino, Michael Guskey, Geoffrey Konopka, Kurt McCoy, Lauren Mosler, Stelios Saffos and Stephen Schwanhausser as they competed in their final regular season Patriot League meet.

Bison extend winning streak to four

By Joe Schweitzer
Staff Writer

Bucknell women's basketball mounted another second-half comeback to defeat Colgate 70-62, extending their winning streak to four. Unfortunately, the long road trip caught up with the Bison as they fell at Holy Cross, 86-76. Bucknell is now 9-10 on the season and 4-3 in Patriot League play.

The Orange and Blue came out ice cold and finished the first frame shooting a dismal 26 percent. The teams were tied early before the host Raiders went on a 10-3 run en route to opening a 13-point lead. Bucknell managed only four points during the Colgate run, making a meager three out of 16 shots during the eight-minute span. The Orange and Blue only converted 10 shots from the field in the frame and headed to the locker room down 37-26.

"We are learning each day and trying to improve from practice to practice, game to game," Bucknell All-American Molly Creamer '03 said. "We are focusing on defense and rebounding; we need to get stronger in both areas."

The defense flexed its muscles in the second half as Bucknell mounted another terrific comeback. Colgate extended its lead to 13 points just over a minute into the second half. The Lady Bison scorched the nets with seven unanswered points over a two-minute span cutting the deficit to 41-35. The run ignited the Orange and Blue's stifling defense, which controlled the

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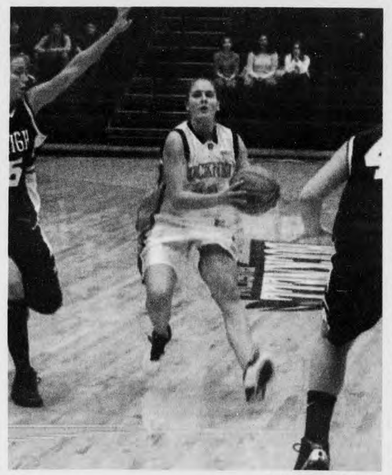

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Molly Creamer '03 drives toward the hoop during a game against Lehigh. Creamer currently leads the nation with her 27.5 points per game.

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Bison rewrite the record books at Penn State National Invite and Bison Open

By Evan Honeyfield
Staff Writer

"We had it cranked up," Assistant Track Coach Joe Klim said after Bucknell's track and field team put up a number of impressive performances between Bucknell's Bison Open and Penn State's National Invite last weekend.

Bucknell's all time top 10 lists are slowly being rewritten. Noel Powell '04 has been doing his share, as he added a school record 200-meter dash (21.94 seconds) to the list at Penn State. Ryan Newberger '05 was only 0.18 behind, also qualifying for the IC4A meet. Eric Furst '03 moved up to 4th all time in the 1,000 by running a very aggressive 2:25, putting Furst in a position to place high or even win the IC4A meet. Brian Klotz '03 bumped the infamous Andy Hunsburger '01 from the 500 list, with his 1:05 effort, just a half second shy of qualifying for the IC4A meet. Though not top 10 performances, Bryan Johnston '03 in the 5,000 and the distance medley relay of Furst, Klotz, Matias Palavecino '03 and Lou Palma '03 ran IC4A qualifying marks.

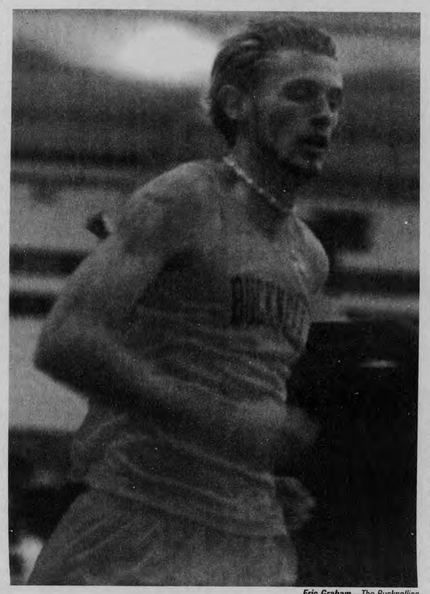
Not everyone benefited from focusing on individual events. Many athletes across the board, from distance runners to throwers felt flat.

"In general we [mid-distance runners] were pretty flat. I ran poorly the night before in the 1,200 [distance medley relay], and most of the mid-distance guys followed suit with mediocre performances on the second day of competition as well," Furst said.

Assistant Coach Bob Schanbacher was happy with senior Adam Kaufman's throwing and is expecting a breakout from him and some of the other throwers soon.

"They [throwers] have been making steady progress and have been getting a lot stronger. They are just looking to fix a few technical things," Schanbacher said.

The Lady Bison did some writing of record books, too. Jennifer Marsh '05 ran one of the best races of the weekend, with her 2:56 in the 1,000, qualifying her for the ECAC meet and putting her 4th all-time. Edwina Bourn '04 also moved to 4th all time in the 55 hurdles. Abby Bouzan-Kaloustian '04 benefited from vaulting at Penn State on Friday night and at home on Saturday, vaulting 10-6 to improve her 4th all-time mark. Working her way back from injuries, Tolu Fayanjuola '05 ran to 6th all-time in the 55 dash and won the long jump at the Bison Open. Amy Calvo '05 continued a fine season by qualifying for the ECAC meet in the 400 (57.26). The 5,000 was a tense, but satisfying race to watch for Head Coach Kevin Donner, as Theresa Dennis '03 was able to run the ECAC time, but by less than a second.



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Bryan Johnston '03 en route to victory during a Jan. 25 race. Johnston continued his success last Saturday by qualifying for ECACs in the 5,000.

"I was very happy with most of our athletes this weekend, although a few key people came up a little flat and that is an area where we need to improve. We did have some huge brekthroughs though," Donner said.

"I thought the team did an amazing job, both at Penn State and at home. The number of people who stepped it up this week was great. We're one step closer to a defending the League title," Marsh said.

Kent State's Boug Raymond Invite is next up for the Bison. Kent State will be providing rabbits from 800-3,000 meters to ensure fast times.

"It's a high caliber meet with many open and unattatched runners and partial teams," Donner said.

"The word on the street is that the mile at Kent will be loaded. Hopefully Lou [Palma] and I can represent in that, possibly providing the first top 10 mile performances in a long time. Kent has an oversized—292-meter—indoor track, which attracts those who have specific time qualifying goals. As a result, many athletes will be attempting NCAA times at this meet, with countless others searching for IC4A/ECAC qualifying marks," Furst said.

Tennis gears up for spring season

By Pat Evans
Sports Editor

The Bucknell men's tennis team opens up its spring season at The Cornell Duals today, where it will face Binghamton and Cornell and look to gain valuable match experience. The young team hopes to build upon a successful fall season that was highlighted by a 2nd-place finish out of 11 teams in the ECAC Championship, the team's highest finish in University history.

Captain Todd Jacobs '03 will be playing his final season for the squad. After providing an integral role since his rookie season, Jacobs is now the only upperclassman on the team. Jacobs hopes that he can motivate the younger players on the team to achieve their ultimate goal of winning the Patriot League Championship.

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> **—Rebecca Helt, head coach**

"It's important to me to set a good example for the younger guys, and to have a good season. They are very motivated and eager to make an impression on the League," Jacobs said.

Head Coach Rebecca Helt is pleased with how the team has been preparing during the preseason. The Bison have been practicing three times a week and combining that with a new strength and conditioning program that they feel will be very helpful.

"The team had a great fall, finishing the highest it has ever finished and we believe that they have the talent and work ethic to improve," Helt said. "The strength and conditioning program should really pay off this season."

Jacobs and Helt will rely upon the team's core nucleus of Gerald DiChiara '05, Asher Salam '06, Nick Denefrio '05, Joe Menezes '05 and Leland Tien '05, who all made significant contributions in the fall. The team's age doesn't seem to discourage their optimism about the season.

"Although we're young, we're hungry and we love the sport, which I think is a big edge we have," Denefrio said.

Last season the team's underclassmen showed that the Bison have a bright future ahead of them, shrugging off any misconceptions that the fall would be a rebuilding year for the squad.

Salam advanced to the semi-final round of the Patriot League Flighted Championship, Denefrio lost in the finals of the ECAC Championship and Menezes and Tien were not far behind. DiChiara and Salam teamed up in the doubles at the ECAC Championships and took home the only gold.

The Bison will bring their top five singles players and one doubles combination this weekend, but are not sure exactly who the players will be yet. The team looks at the Cornell Duals as an opportunity to gain experience before the upcoming season.

"We're not even so much concerned with how we play yet," Helt said. "We're really focusing on gaining match experience."

The players are also looking forward to the experience.

"We will be playing very good teams in Cornell and Binghamton," Jacobs said. "We will get to see where we stand, and it's a good chance for everyone to play and get the experience we need."

The Bison will continue the weekend with matches against Niagra and Buffalo tomorrow.

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This time is only .016 seconds slower than her time from last year's championship meet in which she placed 2nd.

In the diving events, Sarah Petcavage '04 dominated both the 1- and 3-meter boards claiming 1st in both events. She was backed up by teammate Lisa Rockwell '06 in the 1-meter competition as she edged out the competition by two points to claim 2nd place.

On to the distance stroke events, it was Golino and Altman who took 1st and 2nd, respectively, in the 200 backstroke. Darby finished 1st in a time of 2:05.11, another season best for her.

In the 200 breast stroke it was Flick who was on fire, once again finishing 1st in a time of 2:23.75. Not only was she six seconds ahead of the competition, but less than a second off of her best time from the 2002 season during which she placed 2nd at championships.

In the final individual freestyle event of the day, the 500, the combination of Faas, Canro and Feinthel nabbed 1st through 3rd in times of 5:08.84, 5:12.19 and 5:13.95, respectively. Krakowski was victorious in the 100 butterfly, finishing in a time of 58.73.

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Leslie Rice '05 swimming in the 200-meter backstroke last Saturday. The women's team captured a 215-85 win over Lehigh.

In the final individual event of the day, the 200 individual medley, Golino finished on a high note capturing 1st in a time of 2:09.76, less than half a second slower than the time that placed her 5th at last year's Patriots. Her performances throughout the day won her the Patriot League Swimmer of the Week award.

The team finished strongly as the quartet of Freese, Flick, Wild and Altman finished 1st in the 400 freestyle relay with a time of 4:39.87 to seal the win. The swimmers were pleased with their performance.

"Today was truly impressive. To finish the season undefeated with school records and so many people close to their best times was incredible," Freese said. "After losing last year's championship by only 30 points we were really out for blood and I think we have proved to the rest of the league that we will be a force to be reckoned with in three weeks."

The team looks forward to its championship meet at home on Feb. 20.

Calendar

Men's Basketball at American
Saturday, Feb. 8
1:00 p.m.

Women's Basketball at American
Saturday, Feb. 8
3:15 p.m.

Kent State Invitational Track Meet
Saturday, Feb. 8
All Day

Men's Basketball at Lehigh
Tuesday, Feb. 11
7:30 p.m.

Women's Basketball at Lehigh
Tuesday, Feb. 11
5:30 p.m.

Sports Ops

Cecily Cairns Classic Corner

Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

Bad choices: the Raiders' worst mistake

Imagine, for a moment, that you've just finished playing in the most important game of your life. The glaring lights on the Qualcomm Stadium scoreboard are lined up in their brilliant little formations to outline all sorts of numbers, which now are frozen in history.

The final score reads 48-21. Your team's name is next to the 21.

Imagine your opponents dancing around you in delirium. Imagine the joy flashing in their eyes, reflecting off the beaming silver surface of the coveted Lombardi Trophy, while all you can do is stand there in silence, with your cleats digging into the soft layer of crimson and black confetti that falls around you, each scrap performing its own little jeering dance on its way past your despondent face.

Imagine the embarrassment of having faltered on the biggest stage in sports, knowing that in some way, your name will forever be linked to a historical failure.

Picture, now, a different scene.

This time, imagine you're the one in delirium. Only it's not the kind of delirium that sportswriters write about. It's the kind of delirium where you don't know exactly where you are, what you've done or what you're about to do.

Imagine being only half as terrified of the Buccaneer's defensive line as you are of yourself. Imagine that you've gone through the recent years of your life unsure, on a day-to-day basis, whether the next few hours will leave you elated enough to take on the world or too depressed to move.

On this night, the most important game of your life just ended. You weren't even there. There's no confetti. No flashing scoreboard. No deafening cheers from the stands. No dark San Diego sky.

Just the empty, sterile hospital air, sad fluorescent lights and the din of white noise. No teammates to share in your misery, share the blame, pat you on the back and look forward to next year.

Imagine the pain of reading about your own exploits, much of which you don't even remember, in every paper printed across the country. There, laid across newsprint in black and white, are the words of your own teammates, calling you a traitor, wishing to see you banished, promising never to forgive you.

Welcome to Barret Robbins' nightmare.

Robbins' pre-Super Bowl misadventures have been widely publicized in the days following the game. The Raiders' all-pro center was missing-in-action during an early team meeting on Jan. 25, didn't appear at the team's afternoon walk-through and then showed up at an evening meeting in a state of "incoherence." Head Coach Bill Callahan sent him packing immediately, banning him from Super Bowl participation, and shortly thereafter, Robbins ended up on suicide watch in a San Diego hospital.

The next day his teammates marched on without him, and ended up shaming themselves in the biggest game of the year. The media's scapegoat? Robbins, of course.

After all, it was easy to observe from the sidelines and draw tragic comparisons to the Bengals' Stanley Wilson, who strung himself out on cocaine the night before Super Bowl XXIII, or to the Falcons' Eugene Robinson, whose libido stunted his efforts in Super Bowl XXXIII. Stupid choices.

If anybody should have been able to differentiate between a "stupid choice" and Robbins' downfall, it should have been the 52 men that share the roster with him. But after all the confetti had fallen, after they had watched their season expire disastrously, when it was time to answer to the media, they didn't express a lot of concern for their fallen teammate. Without hesitation, they lashed out with rabid vehemence against Robbins.

"If Barret Robbins comes back, I won't. You can print that," lineman Frank Middleton said.

Perhaps most vitriolic of comments fired in Robbins' direction came from Mo Collins, the team's left guard, who regularly bestrides Robbins on Oakland's offensive line when the team goes into battle.

"Whatever rock he crawled out from under, he can stay there," Collins said. "I would welcome him back as a business partner, but not as a brother. A brother wouldn't leave you hanging like that."

It didn't seem to occur to Collins, or Middleton, or the other Raiders who launched a battery of criticism towards Robbins, to help their teammate shoulder the burden of that rock. That he wasn't slapped with a medical label until a week later should have been no factor. It was obvious that something was terribly wrong with the 320-pound center.

Linebacker Bill Romanowski, a man usually depicted as heartless and unrelenting, managed to see it. When a journalist asked him if he was mad at Robbins, he had no barbs to toss in the lineman's direction.

"No. The guy's got a problem. He's got to get some help," Romanowski said.

For some reason, few others saw what Romanowski found so obvious on Jan. 27. They should have recognized Robbins' distress. They should have remembered past episodes and his documented struggles with depression and bipolar symptoms. Why was that sympathy beyond their capacity until somebody dangled a diagnosis in front of them?

It was obvious in 1952, when Boston Red Sox outfielder Jim Piersall succumbed to a mental breakdown and had to be dragged off kicking and screaming and institutionalized for months. His teammates figured it out, even though Piersall's distress wasn't given a label until decades later.

They could see he was hurting. They could see his actions were beyond the realm of his control, and that he probably would have given anything simply to have that control back. That was all it took, even in the harsh, politically incorrect and socially unaccepting 1950s.

It's 2003, and while ethnicity, gender and sexuality are tiptoed around and carefully guided towards social equity, Robbins' fiasco would suggest that some disabilities—the ones no one can see or entirely explain—are greeted with no more compassion from the general public than they were 50 years ago. And that's sad.

Somewhere along the line, while society nitpicked its way toward a perfectly regulated system of political correctness and sensitivity, good old-fashioned compassion fell by the wayside.

It's sad that Robbins' teammates, no matter how clearly they can see it now, will never be able to take back what they said about their comrade. A lot of them have tried. They've offered their well-wishes and expressed their concern.

But the fact is, the biggest game of their life is over and they blew it. They blew it well after the clock had ticked zero, in the locker room, when faced with a decision to assume the worst about their teammate or hold back their speculation long enough to realize that something wasn't right. They chose to attack.

Robbins, when he recovers from this episode, will sit down and read those comments at some point. Maybe that's the saddest part of the whole thing. When he needs support the most, as he battles with this nightmarish disorder, he's going to know that those accusatory words were the first thing to fly out of his teammates'—his brothers'—mouths. And that's just not right.

A brother shouldn't leave you hanging like that.

Scott Kloss
Senior Writer

Just play the game

LeBron James was suspended for only two high school games by County Judge James Williams for accepting jerseys in the price range of $845.

"He's made mistakes," James' attorney, Fred Nance said. "He's an 18-year-old kid, but he didn't deserve the ultimate sanction of losing his eligibility," Nance said.

James, touted as the next Michael Jordan, should spend that time looking over the lottery ball system used by the NBA for determining the first pick in the NBA draft. While this suspension is mild and has no effect on his status in the draft, I'd like to chat about a few more notable suspensions and their accompanying stories.

So have you been to Atlantic City for some gambling of late? Well, how about betting on sports? Say baseball anyone? We begin with the story of Pete Rose, Cincinnati Reds legend, who holds the all-time hits record in MLB. Having a firm grasp of the game, Rose naturally took to coaching and the Reds welcomed him in 1984. In 1989 it became known that Rose bet on baseball and, yes, even on his own team. (That's a bad no-no.) Following baseball protocol he was immediately banned from the sport in 1989 by Commissioner A. Bartlett Giamatti, who said, "Let no one think it did not hurt baseball. That hurt will pass, however, as the great glory of the game asserts itself and a resilient institution goes forward. Let it also be clear that no individual is superior to the game."

The banishment not only interrupted his coaching career, but ended his chances of being in the Hall of Fame—an issue hotly contested to date.

Anyone that has played organized sports has come across a coach that you despised and wished would just "close his or her mouth." Well Latrell Sprewell, then with the Golden State Warriors, had a much more creative gesture. He attacked his coach, P.J. Carlesimo, during a Dec. 1, 1997 practice, first choking him and then returning to punch him in the head. An inhumane act of pure frustration in his game, Sprewell was swiftly punished. NBA commissioner Daniel Stern suspended him for a year (actually only 68 games) and lost his salary for that year.

Ice Skating anyone? Ah, yes, if you are like my grandma that can't get enough of those CBS Christmas ice skating specials, then this suspension is for you! Remember back a few years when figure skating was the ultimate American sport? Everyone fought to get on the cover of the Wheaties box? We begin with Tonya Harding and her husband, Jeff Gillooly, who hired a "hitman" to club rival skater Nancy Kerrigan in the knee two days before the 1994 U.S. Nationals. As the Disney classic would have it, Harding won the Nationals and a spot on the Olympic team. Kerrigan would have her day in the sun and received an extra spot on the squad due to past performances.

Harding demonstrated the Decker Effect—big buildup with little results—delivering a "Close-your-eyes-honey-the-monster-is-approaching" performance. And who can forget about her shoelace? She returned home, pled guilty to conspiring to hinder prosecution of a case, was stripped of her national title and banned by the USGA for life. And remember, "The Club" should be used in all situations in which you are fearful!

Athletes are no different than any other individual and as such are held to the same rights and responsibilities. Muhammad Ali felt this firsthand when he refused to go into the Army in 1967, stating he had no hatred of the Viet Cong Vietnamese. Because of this draft evasion, The New York State Athletic Commission took away his boxing license and stripped him of his heavyweight title. On June 28, 1971, Ali's name was cleared by the Supreme Court, ruling he was improperly drafted and that Ali was indeed sincere in his religious beliefs. Yearning to regain his coveted awards, Ali fought again and regained his title on Oct. 30, 1974, more than seven years after he'd had it taken away.

So what have we learned? Betting is a major no-no, wait until you are 21 to gamble (to delay your debts), send your coach a nice present, use "The Club" and stand up for what you believe in. Play the game for what it was meant to be—fun.

Me Like Sports

Aaron DeRosa
Senior Editor

Phanning the Phenom Phlame

Forgive me. It appears that all sports writers must, at some point, reference a certain person in every article these days so I'm just going to get it out of the way so it won't interrupt my flow or your attention or the petty sycophantic babbling of a million journalists who want to get in on the ground floor of the LeBron James sweepstakes as they conveniently scrape the "A"s off their Chrysler Lebarons in homage to the boy wonder.

He can't lose. He can't win. He's 18 and he has all the major problems of a hormone-laden high schooler, a NBA prospect, a teen icon, a pop culture icon, a media icon and probably has more political clout than Ted Kennedy. With better name recognition than Alan Shepard, LeBron James is almost assured of being picked first in the NBA draft.

No wonder his mother bought him a Hummer. Picture yourself, sitting on the couch, watching "I Love Lucy" reruns and munching on a corndog (this is pretty much all your life consists of since you live in Akron, Ohio where single-sex dinosaurs are more likely to reproduce than you are). Your son is a great ballplayer. You and most of the neighborhood know this. One day you wake from your quasi-REM-delirium, the stench of Dorito toxins wafting from your unbrushed word-hole, you stumble towards the door to pick up your 11-cent *Akron Weekly Gazette* when you notice that your well-endowed son is to be knighted in a ceremony next week at Buckingham. Now look around your trailer with white curtains that resemble more of an auburn and ask yourself, "Why wouldn't I buy a Hummer?"

Not that I know anything about this boy's home life. I don't care, nor do I pretend to want to look up that information because quite frankly it's none of my business. Why is it that fame equals full disclosure of everything in your life? Which leads me to another point: There is nothing this boy can do wrong.

Even the decision that he was ineligible to play high school ball ever again because he accepted gifts worth about $850 (against Ohio state rules) was overturned and the courts only suspended him for two games, games which can be selected by the basketball team.

Now, there are two ways we can look at this. We can say, "Finally, these guys are getting off this poor kid's back. Let him just play ball and have fun." The other is, "What the fanoiwerbqigl?!!?" Again we view the atrocity that is "fame." Fame conquers all. More so than previous adages like "beautiful women get what they want" or "white Anglo-Saxon protestant males will always succeed in life."

Fame can buy your way out of trouble, not just with monetary resources, but with endorsements, "I met him at a pizzeria ..." stories, or simple intimidation. I won't lie. If I were to ever pass Liz Hurley on the street and it were raining I would probably gasp, tilt my head up to the sky with my mouth open and run around in circles until I drowned in a pool of saliva and rainwater like a chicken. And if it weren't raining, I'd probably just watch her pass, then make an immediate turn and walk out into oncoming traffic. But maybe that's just me ... I'm a different breed of cat.

At this point, I want to give kudos to those who realized earlier on that I said I'd just mention LeBron in passing, but rather spent the entire article discussing him. You deserve a pat on the back, or perhaps at least a LeBron jersey.

But what's saddest about the whole scenario is that this boy has "bust" shaved into the back of his scalp like a follicular "kick me" sign. When it comes down to it, there's no victory for him. His life is already written for him. Predestination at its purest. He can't choose to go to college at this point, though I'm sure that colleges would offer him a scholarship with the swiftness of a hyperkinetic cheetah undergoing endorphin therapy.

So when he shows up in the NBA, 30 pounds overweight, unable to adjust to the competition, jamming to the Counting Crows as he glides down the freeway in his Hummer because he's too depressed to deal with his own fame because again, he's only 18, and now he's got the vast weight of the Almighty pressing at his back because even God likes to see a good dunk from time to time, tell me the mental trapdoor isn't going to swing out from under his sanity like a Groucho Marx cameo. We'll be lucky if by 20 LeBron still remembers how to spell his name.

But despite sarcasm to the contrary, I'm not mad at LeBron. In fact, I wish him the best of luck. I don't envy the path his life is taking, or the path that is taking him. I regret that this decision is forced upon him so soon. There are a lot of jokes made about freshmen being dumb, but the fact is, they are. I was there too. After four years, I'm STILL dumb.

The point is, I'm still dumb and I'm about to graduate. If I were two feet taller, had any sort of tolerance for exercise, or even skill, I could register for the draft in a few months and I STILL wouldn't be mentally ready for it. LeBron has a long road ahead of him. Alexander Pope wrote, "Fools rush in where angels fear to tread." Let's pray Lebron is no fool.

The decline of the All-Star game

By Mark Walker
Staff Writer

Many sports fans might not have noticed (or cared to notice), but two of the four major sports played their all-star games this past Sunday. The NHL and NFL both showcased the best players that they have to offer, but very few fans cared enough to tune in.

A few decades ago, all-star games were quite possibly the biggest spectacles in all of sports. Then why is it that these showcases of the greatest athletes in the world are now met with such lukewarm interest?

Our parents will undoubtedly tell us that all-star games have lost their luster because of the development of technology that has given sports greater exposure. Our parents' generation did not grow up with ESPN, "Sportscenter," DirecTV or nationally televised games of the week. Therefore, all-star games were their only opportunity to see all of the great players that they read about in the newspaper but could never see because they played in other regions of the country.

Our generation has taken the increased exposure of sports for granted. Every morning we can turn on ESPN and see highlights of what the greatest athletes across the country did the previous night. As a result, the uniqueness of seeing these superstars in all-star games has been lost.

Another reason that has contributed to the downfall of all-star games is that the players simply do not care about the game's outcome. In the past, players took much greater pride in being named an all-star and, as a result, gave their best effort in the game to represent their league. Now, some superstars are so uninterested in playing in an all-star game that they opt to relax by the pool or enjoy a few rounds of golf instead of representing their league. Those who do participate in the game have such little interest in the outcome of the game that they ease up to avoid injuring themselves or others.

Case in point can be found in comparing the 1970 MLB all-star game with last year's Midsummer Classic. In 1970, Pete Rose actually barreled over catcher Ray Fosse to score the winning run in the 12th inning for the National League. On the contrary, last year's all-star game ended in a tie following the 11th inning, which sent a clear message that the game's outcome no longer mattered.

So how can the four major sports leagues (NFL, MLB, NHL, NBA) stimulate the public's interest in their all-star games?

There is a simple solution to create more interest in the NFL's Pro Bowl, which is traditionally held the Sunday following the Super Bowl. The Super Bowl is the highest of highs for NFL fans, and most NFL fans reluctantly declare that the season is over after the Vince Lombardi Trophy is awarded. Therefore, very few fans care to tune in to a meaningless exhibition game after watching the greatest game of the year.

Next year, the NFL is once again having a bye week before the Super Bowl. In my opinion, the Pro Bowl would receive a lot more interest if the NFL moves it to this bye week, while NFL fans still have their appetite whet for football.

The one drawback to placing the game before the Super Bowl is that players on teams in the Super Bowl would have to skip the game. This would not be much of a problem; as it is, players in the Super Bowl rarely have the desire to fly to Hawaii after the biggest game of their careers. Many Pro Bowlers in the Super Bowl, like Warren Sapp, say that they are too banged up to go to the Pro Bowl and stay at home.

Major League Baseball's owners recently approved a plan to create greater incentive for the players to give their all in the all-star game. They want to award the extra home game in the World Series to the team representing the league that won the all-star game. Pending approval of the Players' Association, this plan would also give fans of contenders a significant reason to root for their league in the Midsummer Classic.

As for the NBA and NHL, they could boost interest by experimenting with new rules during the all-star game. Fans are always proposing rule changes to increase excitement, and these leagues could use their all-star games to experiment with these ideas.

The NHL experimented with a shootout following overtime on Sunday, which many fans would like to see in regular season play. The uniqueness of witnessing a shootout kept many viewers on the edge of their seats to the end of the contest.

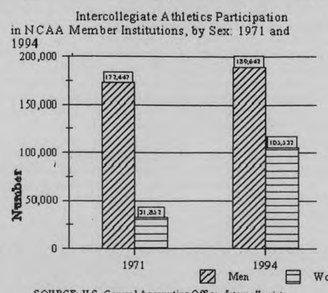
These proposed changes might make the all-star games somewhat more exciting. The only way to completely regain the appeal of an all-star game is to get the players to once again care about its outcome. Until we see a home plate collision between Jason Giambi and Mike Piazza to decide an all-star game, these showcases of the world's greatest athletes will remain lackluster.

TITLE IX FEATURE

Title IX, Education Ammendments of 1972

"No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance...."

By the numbers...



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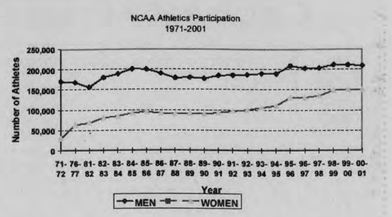

Examples of Added and Discontinued Teams in Selected Sports

Men's Teams Discontinued		Women's Teams Discontinued	
Wrestling	- 171	Gymnastics	- 100
Tennis	- 84	Fencing	- 31
Gymnastics	- 56	Field Hockey	- 28
Men's Teams Added		Women's Teams Added	
Soccer	+135	Soccer	+846
Baseball	+ 85	Cross-Country	+516
Basketball	+ 82	Softball	+432

- GAO Report- Four-Year Colleges' Experiences Adding and Discontinuing Teams, 2001

Bucknell's history with Title IX

With a number of recent changes, Bucknell has worked to reach Title IX compliance

How Bucknell stacks up in the Patriot League

Institution	Total women's program expenses	Operating budget for men and women	Total operating budget	Women's proportion of operating budget
American University	$3,237,840	$5,693,439	$5,693,439	56.87%
College of the Holy Cross	$2,680,806	$6,701,096	$8,419,906	40.01%
Colgate University	$3,644,864	$9,577,197	$11,586,232	38.06%
Bucknell University	$2,868,813	$7,645,051	$9,254,078	37.53%
Lafayette College	$2,151,872	$5,818,371	$8,024,557	36.98%
Lehigh University	$2,560,138	$7,617,622	$11,004,215	33.61%
U.S. Military Academy	$1,477,615	$9,031,777	$16,254,357	16.36%
U.S. Navy Academy	$1,315,258	$11,102,243	$17,348,023	11.85%

Bucknell Statistics: Substantial Proportionality

Year	*Difference in %*
2000-2001	-4.39
1999-2000	-6.79
1998-1999	-5.02
1997-1998	-11.89
1996-1997	-13.39

Statistics courtesy of Chronicle of Higher Education

By Ainsley Maloney
Staff Writer

It is hard to imagine at this very campus where men and women live only a dorm room apart, that at one time men were required to live entirely uphill, and women entirely downhill. It is hard to imagine that at one point it was impossible to find a woman engineer, not to mention a female professor, anywhere on campus. It is even harder to imagine that at a place where women are offered more varsity sports than men, they were once offered none.

These are the changes the University has made since its establishment in 1865. They did not happen overnight, nor did they happen back in the "Dark Ages" when students' great-grandparents were kids. Most of these changes happened only 30 years ago when students' mothers and fathers were the same age their kids are right now.

The jumpstart to these changes happened in 1972 when former U.S. President Richard Nixon signed Title IX into law. Title IX worked to stop sex discrimination anywhere federal funding was provided—from preschools to institutions of higher education. Since then, the University has experienced changes everywhere from student enrollment to the more controversial issue of athletic participation.

The year Title IX was passed, there were two male undergraduates for every woman undergraduate at the University; and even that was considered an improvement from previous years. Of 50 students graduating with a business degree and 80 graduating engineers, only one female received a degree from each. Similarly, it was rare to find a female professor or administrator anywhere on campus.

The number of men and women admitted to Bucknell has leveled off, beginning with the mixing of housing arrangements after 1972. Last year, the numbers of male and female students enrolled were 51.5 percent and 48.5 percent, respectively.

As enrollment numbers continue to become more balanced, the number of females studying and working in each department has also continued to increase. Recently, the number of woman engineers has ranged around the 30 percent mark, female business graduates have been around 43 percent and the number of female administrators has been closer to 40 percent.

The greatest fight for equality, however, has been in the field of athletics. Before Title IX, there were 11 sports offered for males and only four for females; of these four sports, none were varsity. One of the biggest selling points for the building of the Fieldhouse, which opened in 1987, was that it would be a unisex facility in compilation with Title IX.

Offering a unisex facility was not enough. In order to meet the compliance for Title IX, schools had to demonstrate one of three options. They had to either show a history of expansion to accommodate the underrepresented gender, show that the interest and abilities of the underrepresented sex have been fully and effectively met or follow the proportionality rule. Since the first two options are both vague and difficult to prove, many schools, including the University, chose proportionality.

Under the proportionality rule, the number of female athletes at a college or university must be proportionate to the number of female undergraduate students, with the same holding true for men.

As if that wasn't enough, in 1996, the Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights issued a rule that "schools must count actual athletes, not spots available on teams, to prove gender equity."

This left many schools with a huge problem since, regardless of the amount of sports offered to both genders, statistics showed that more males were interested in participating in sports than females. The University was no exception. In the 1996-97 school year, men represented 63 percent of varsity athletics while women represented only 37 percent.

In hopes of adding a greater female interest in athletics, in 1998, the University decided to add two new sports. Women's water polo and golf now evened off the total number of sports offered—14 for men and 14 for women. Everything appeared to be equal, from the outside at least.

Numbers and statistics proved that the University didn't even out from the inside. In 2001, 41.9 percent of its athletes were women. Of its undergraduates, however, 48.7 percent were female. It didn't matter that an equal number of sports were offered to both genders; the percentages didn't match, and under the proportionality rule, that's all that matters.

Having found that adding female sports did not meet the Title IX requirement, the only thing left to do was to cut down the number of male athletes by eliminating men's sports to balance out the percentages.

In May of 2002, the University announced that men's wrestling and crew would no longer be federally funded varsity programs. Instead, they

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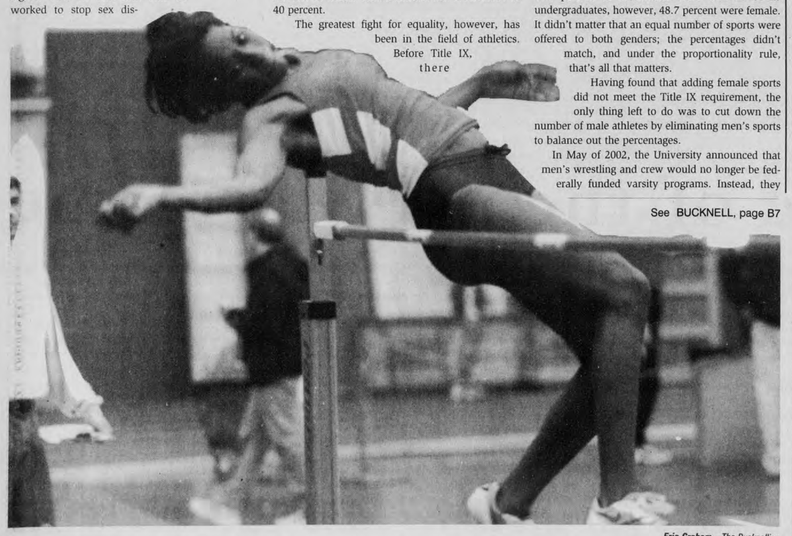

Eric Graham—*The Bucknellian*

Tolelupe Fayanjuola '05 competes in the long jump at Gerhard Fieldhouse. Opportunities for female athletes have changed drastically since 1972.

From the athlete: an interview

By Aaron DeRosa
Senior Editor

Bucknell's men's crew team was among the causualties of Title IX regulations at the University, as the team has gradually been reduced from varsity status to its current classification as a club varsity organization. I recently had the opportunity to speak with Brian Albert (BA), Ben Pfeiffer (BP) and Aaron Bates (AB), all seniors on the team. Each shared his thoughts on Title IX and its effects.

The Bucknellian: In the past two years, Bucknell has made a number of moves to increase its compliance with Title IX statutes. How have these moves affected the men's crew team?

BA: The University was very helpfull in allowing us to stay on campus under a new classification. This classification, known as club varsity, permits us to continue competing as we have in the past, while at the same time allowing the University to comply with Title IX regulations.

The Bucknellian: What is your general attitude towards Title IX as a law, and Title IX in practice?

BP: Since it's inception Title IX has dramatically increased opportunities in women's collegiate athletics. However, current interpretation of the statute has led to unfortunate consequences for certain men's athletic programs during recent years—consequences not intended at the time of the statute's passage.

The Bucknellian: Do you feel that the success of men's sports are affected by Title IX?

BA: Initially Title IX had little effect on men's sports, it simply increased opportunities for women. However, in receant years many schools have resorted to the scaling back or elimination of men's sports as an alternative to adding women's sports.

The Bucknellian: If you could make any changes to the Title IX rule, what would you change, if anything?

AB: One way in which it is possible to reform Title IX would be to allow colleges and universities to more effectively use the third prong of compliance. This prong allows colleges and universities to prove that they are indeed meeting the needs and demands of the college or university's population.

The Bucknellian: Would you consider Title IX an overall success (i.e. Do the positives outweigh the negatives?)?

BP: The dramatic increase in college athletic opportunities for women since the passage of Title IX suggests that the original intent of the law has been extraordinarily successful. And in a country far more culturally self-aware than it was three decades ago, it seems unlikely that even if Title IX was eliminated today, women's sports would somehow be marginalized. But elimination of the statute is not necessary to remedy the problems that have arisen related to the demands of gender equity. Rather, legislators should overhaul the statute to allow individual institutions the ability to meet the demands of their students, rather than the demands of a federal law that does not have provisions for the diverse spectrum of athletic opportunities available to today's college athletes.

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—Ben Pfeiffer '03

Flashback: *The Bucknellian* Archive, April 11, 1972

Girls sacrifice too

Indifference: this seems to be the attitude of the students toward girls' sports on campus. Most people seem to view girls' athletics as little more than a recreational activity. However, it is basically those people who have been involved in athletics who realize the dedication and determination for participation in sports.

Due to this attitude of indifference, there is little support displayed for the girls who participate in intercollegiate competition, although there has been a somewhat greater increase shown over the last year. Hopefully interest will continue to grow as women's sports begin to develop on campus and throughout the country. If more people can be made aware of the girls' athletic schedule, perhaps a greater degree of support would be manifest in the student body.

Too many people fail to realize the amount of time spent in practice for intercollegiate sports. This can range from 1½ to 3 hours a day for five days a week with an occasional weekend meet to replace another workout. This requires that the athlete carefully arrange her schedule for both studying and social life.

Practices, of course, prepare the athlete for the meets. This year the women's swim team participated in 3 dual meets and two championships which included the Easterns, which were held in New Haven, Connecticut, and the Nationals, which were held in Cincinnati, Ohio. Swimmers for the latter came anywhere from California to Florida to New England. One of the greatest thrills at the Nationals was being able to compete against present world record-holders and former Pan Am and U.S. Olympic team members. It was a strange feeling—a mixture of awe, fear and excitement.

State spirit was high at each of the championship meets. The cry of "Pennsylvania's No. 1, we shall not be beat!" rang out from the bleachers as girls from Clarion, Slippery Rock, Penn State, West Chester, and Bucknell cheered collectively for one another. The friendships made in the dual-meet season were reinforced at both of the championships.

The rewarding experiences of the last two weekends of the season (those spent in New Haven and Cincinnati) cause us to look forward to continued success in next year's season.

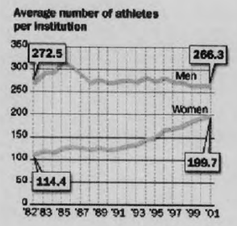
Hopefully with an increase of interest, the women's athletic program can expand. For, as the saying goes, "Winning isn't everything." It is the new friendships generated at both the practices and dual meets; being able to work towards a goal; and the unique experiences gained in the competition at championship meets.

TITLE IX FEATURE

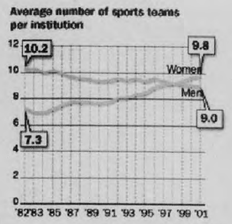
Female Athletes' Growing Presence on Campuses

Women's share of growing athletics budgets in Division I has increased over the past few years ...

... the average number of female athletes has increased significantly, as the number of male athletes has leveled off...



... and the average number of women's sports teams now surpasses that of men's.



Source: Chronicle reporting, NCAA

Thirty-one years of Title IX

By Jim Leahy
Senior Writer

An unassuming building on the campus of Duke University, in Durham, N.C., played host to an incredibly important women's basketball game last weeked. The game was a showdown between the No. 1 ranked team in the nation, Duke's Blue Devils, and the No. 2 ranked team in the nation, the University of Connecticut's Lady Huskies. The game was sold out and televised nationally by ESPN.

Why this outpouring of support for women's athletics? Many argue that a law, passed in 1972, began the revolution bringing more attention and money to women's sports in the United States. The law, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, has changed the way colleges and universities deal with women's sports programs and it promises to continue maintaining weight in the minds of athletic directors throughout collegiate sports.

Since Title IX was made a part of U.S. law, there has been an amazing amount of dispute surrounding its meaning, its scope and even if it should remain part of the nation's federal code.

The history of Title IX is a long and complicated one. Presidential administrations have also showed varying degrees of support for the legislation and all the things that come with it. While the legislation is in the forefront under the current

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From the coach: an interview

By Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

This past Tuesday I had the opportunity to discuss Title IX and the state of women's athletics with Cindy Opalski, head coach of the University's highly respected volleyball team. Opalski, who has coached the Lady Bison since 1990, shared her thoughts on the quest for gender equality in collegiate sports.

The Bucknellian: What is your general attitude toward Title IX and its repercussions?

CO: I have mixed emotions in regards to the advancement of Title IX, both here on the Bucknell campus and nationally. Although I think we have made tremendous progress to accommodate the needs of our female athletes, especially in comparable sports, we have yet to provide the necessary staffing and recruiting resources for all of our women's teams, enabling them to have an optimal experience in Division I athletics. It disappoints me that opponents of Title IX feel in some instances that we, as women, chose the path of equity through them. I have an expectation to be treated fairly; something my parents engrained in me many, many years ago. It is not meant to be at anyone's expense; it is simply the right thing to do.

The Bucknellian: Do you feel that recent effects of Title IX on Bucknell athletics (i.e. the disbandment of the wrestling and crew programs) are justified?

CO: No one wants to see equity on the women's side at the expense of our male athletic programs. It really comes down to a resource issue ... finding additional resources to create parity in women's programs without affecting competitive success of our men's teams. That is certainly a formidable job that requires bold and innovative action on the part of our leadership here at Bucknell and across the United States. Clearly, it requires an increased financial commitment from all universities to achieve gender equity.

The Bucknellian: If you could make any changes to the Title IX rule, what would you change, if anything?

CO: I would de-emphasize the proportionality issue. It is not necessarily about participation opportunities ... it is about the quality of the experience. I would set specific compliance deadlines for all institutions and create more initiatives that would directly affect the well-being and success of our female athletes. Immediate adjustments to coaching staffs (funding assistant coaching positions) and increased recruiting dollars would have the most profound impact on our student-athletes here at Bucknell.

The Bucknellian: How do you feel about the current strengths of women's collegiate athletics in general and specifically at Bucknell? Are female athletes still short shifted?

CO: There are outstanding coaches here who work hard to maintain high standards for their students and are clearly focused on the well-being of their student-athletes. Clearly the emphasis we all have is to enable our athletes to experience success in a competitive arena while tending to the real reason they are here at college ... to get a first-rate education.

The Bucknellian: Would you consider Title IX an overall success (i.e. Do the positives outweigh the negatives?)?

CO: We are on the right path. I have difficulty resolving equity issues at the expense of male athletes and men's athletic programs. It is important that we apply ourselves to a standard of success against our competition rather than at the expense of each other. Most of us would agree; the law is just, but the implementation is oftentimes flawed.

The Bucknellian: Women's athletics have clearly come a long way since 1972. Are they strong enough now to hold their own without the assistance of a strict written rule like Title IX, or do you feel that repealing or amending the rule would lead to regression in gender equity?

CO: We have not reached equity with a federal law adopted over 30 years ago; certainly we are not strong enough to stand on our own. The growth in women's athletics has been phenomenal over the last several years with guidance from the constitution and the NCAA. My hope is that we will enact stricter, yet more practical guidelines, and more aggressive measures to attain equity across all facets of our athletic programs.

Reaching Title IX compliance

In the assessment of the "interests and abilities" portion of the Title IX regulations, a three part test governs. As the name suggests, this test consists of three separate and distinct parts. All that is required under Title IX is that an institution be in compliance with one part of that test. No one part of the test is the predominant or "true" measure of compliance. The three parts of the test are:

- **Part One**: Substantial Proportionality. This part of the test is satisfied when participation opportunities for men and women are "substantially proportionate" to their respective undergraduate enrollments.
- **Part Two**: History and Continuing Practice. This part of the test is satisfied when an institution has a history and continuing practice of program expansion that is responsive to the developing interests and abilities of the underrepresented sex (typically female).
- **Part Three**: Effectively Accommodating Interests and Abilities. This part of the test is satisfied when an institution is meeting the interests and abilities of its female students even where there are disproportionately fewer females than males participating in sports.

Tinkering with Title IX

Between lawsuits and a Bush committee, Title IX may get a facelift

By Brian Klotz
Senior Writer

Title IX was once again the center of attention as the Commission on Opportunity in Athletics announced on Jan. 30 that it had finished its six-month study. The committee met to discuss ways to improve Title IX's original mission. Nearly 30 years later in 2000, there were over of 151,000 women playing NCAA sports. Even at the high school level, the number of female athletes increased from 294,000 to nearly 2.8 million during the same period.

The debate is not about the successes of the law, but its continuing detrimental effects on men's sports programs. Since Title IX's passage, more than 170 wrestling programs, 80 men's tennis teams, 70 men's gymnastics teams and 45 men's track teams have been cut from NCAA institutions, according to the General Accounting Office.

"We embrace Title IX; it's a very good law," said Mike Moyer, executive director of the National Wrestling Coaches Association. "It's poorly interpreted. It was never intended to be a quota program. It's now about too many male athletes being in an athletic department."

"This is just about predetermining the amount of discrimination we're going to practice. If this goes through, in perpetuity women are going to be underrepresented, underprivileged, and I can never support that."
*—**Christine A. Grant**, former women's athletic director, University of Iowa*

The argument by many that Title IX has been wrongly interpreted as a quota system, caused the Commission on Opportunity in Athletics to investigate, debate and research possible recommendations for the Secretary of Education on what to do. Their first place to look was in how institutions were reacting to the 1979 clarification of Title IX, which requires colleges to meet one of three criteria: The proportion of athletes from each sex participating in sports should be roughly equal to the proportion of students of that sex in its undergraduate population; the college shows a "history of continuing to practice" a commitment to adding women's sports opportunities; or that the college proves that the athletic interests of female students are being "fully and effectively accommodated."

In 1996, the Department of Education (DOE) again modified the first prong of Title IX by requiring colleges to count every name on a team's roster, including scholarship and non-scholarship athletes, starters and non-starters. This is one of the main platforms of the wrestling lawsuit, which argues that the 1996 rules exceed the DOE's statutory authority "by effectively mandating the very discrimination that Title IX prohibits."

The lawsuit is an attempt to stop the staggering drops in wrestling teams across the country. According to counts, in 1982 there were 363 NCAA wrestling teams with 7,914 wrestlers competing; in 2001, there were only 229 teams with fewer than 6,000 wrestlers. Yet, in the same period, the number of NCAA institutions increased from 787 to 1,049. In recent histo-

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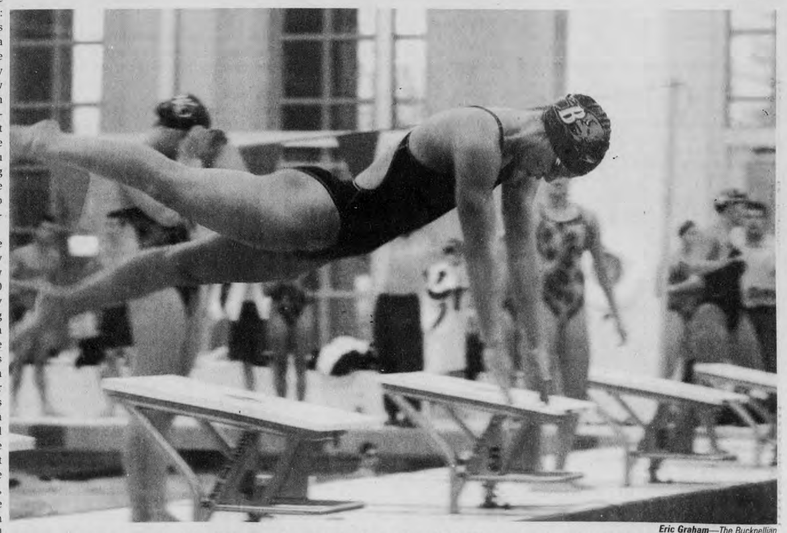
Despite cuts, men's team have still grown under Title IX

NET OUTCOME OF ADDED AND DISCONTINUED TEAMS

	1981-82	1998-99	Change in Number of Teams	Percentage change
Female	5,695	9,479	+3,784	66%
Male[a]	9,113	9,149	+ 36	.4%



Eric Graham—*The Bucknellian*

Alexis Will '06 participates in the 200 individual medley on Saturday. At that time of Title IX's inception, fewer than 30,000 women were participating in intercollegiate sports programs sanctioned by the NCAA. Nearly 30 years later in 2000, there are over of 151,000 women playing NCAA sports.

TITLE IX FEATURE

What Title IX means to the Bucknell community

As a former female athlete who benefited directly from Title IX, I feel strongly that Title IX is a good law. Certainly the opportunities now available to women are remarkable in number and in quality. As it is written, the law serves as a great equalizer between the sexes. However, the interpretation of this law often serves to take opportunities away from very deserving athletes.

As a woman and an athlete, I do not support female athletics, I support ATHLETICS. And to take away opportunities for some (male) athletes is not in the spirit of the law. Current discrepancies in opportunities and respect do not occur because of gender differences but because of sport preferences and commercialism.

Overall, the benefits of this law greatly outweigh the negative consequences. The application of this law to other educational programs will continue to grow. Instead of hanging the law itself, I would prefer for administrators and policy makers everywhere to evaluate their position about the law.

—Shannon Ellis, graduate assistant volleyball coach

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Title IX is the most lenient of all nondiscrimination laws. Bucknell, I feel, has used Title IX as a scapegoat to cut the costs and therefore the men's wrestling team. It seems ironic to me that the new athletic facilities were being constructed the same time the wrestling team was getting eliminated. Maybe if a portion of the money for the new athletic facility was allocated to saving the wrestling program Title IX's credibility would not have been dragged through the mud.

—Jen Mellon '04

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In this period of conservative reactionary politics all forms of affirmative action are under serious attack, including Title IX. Title IX marked a huge advance for women and must be defended at all costs. But defense strategy must go beyond focusing exclusively on funding.

In order for Title IX to be effective we must begin using it as a means to breakdown prescriptive gender roles in sport by making nontraditional sports available for both sexes and actively encouraging participation in those sports. For example, instead of discontinuing men's wrestling, Title IX might have been used to initiate women's collegiate wrestling at Bucknell. It is crucial to note that while Title IX action will affect both women and men, all decisions must be based on the current conditions of women in sports since they are the disenfranchised group.

Bucknell, along with other universities and educational institutions, have a responsibility to lead the way toward breaking down these prescriptions by encouraging women and men to participate in sports which are traditionally considered masculine or feminine, respectively. Title IX has the potential to be an impetus toward sports participation no longer being prescribed by sex. But this would require an enormous effort from a vanguard of high schools and universities. Is Bucknell ready to be a part of that vanguard?

—Laura Kamienski, Athletics and Recreation SS

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I believe Title IX was a great law when it was written. However, the wording of Title IX has begun to harm the values it once stood for. I am a female athlete and Title IX has taken away my opportunity to participate in the sport I love. I have been wrestling since sixth grade. I even wrestled on the varsity team at Bucknell last year, but according to Bucknell and the NCAA I was classified as a male when calculating the numbers. And now I no longer have the opportunity to participate in a sport I love and I have lost a part of myself.

Title IX was written to grant opportunities, not to take them away. It is completely unfair for men (and women) to be losing the opportunities just so the numbers look good. As sad as it may sound, the average number of women wishing to participate in athletics is lower than the average number of men. And for this simple reason men will continue to be harmed.

When Title IX was written the effects were overwhelming. They were amazing and without this law I don't think I could be where I am today. But if the trend we are on now continues the negative effects will eventually outweigh the positive ones we already have. A big problem is that no girl's sport can compete with the numbers of participants and funding giving that football has. Because of this other teams are suffering. Wresting had only 13 team members and minimal funding ... but somehow this is how we can now comply with Title IX. Title IX has been a huge part of my life both positively and negatively. The solution is not to eliminate Title IX, but to amend and update it so nobody is punished.

—Jenny Perrin '05

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As written, Title IX does not mandate that men's sports or programs be dropped in favor of adding sports for women. The legislation bars discrimination based on sex—it does not specify which sex. The challenge in a situation of inequity is to create opportunities for the underrepresented gender without eliminating opportunities for the overrepresented gender. Without a financial windfall, there is no easy way for this to happen. Ultimately, it is unfortunate that men's sports have been lost; but, it is not a direct result of Title IX. The rhetoric surrounding the perception of reverse discrimination is based on the argument against it is that many men's programs in universities across the country have been dropped as a result. However, it's only fair that women have access to the same funding that men's sports have enjoyed. It is not a perfect system, but any measure, like Title IX or affirmative action, working to correct inequalities that have long been perpetuated by different systems is a step in the right direction.

Much of the controversy of Title IX focuses on the way in which the law is implemented. If the guidelines took more into account women's satisfaction with athletic opportunities on campus, and focused less on gender equivalency in various sports, I think much of the opposition of this title would be eliminated. However, it is the not the opposition of this title that poses the biggest threat to it, it is the apathy for it. Many opponents of Title IX are very vocal about their opposition, while many people who approve of the law have less of a reason to be "up in arms" about it, so to speak. Despite its flaws, Title IX is vital to ensuring equality for women and, especially, women athletes.

—Megan Stupek '06

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As it stands, there seems to be practical problems with Title IX, and a main director of institutional research and assessment

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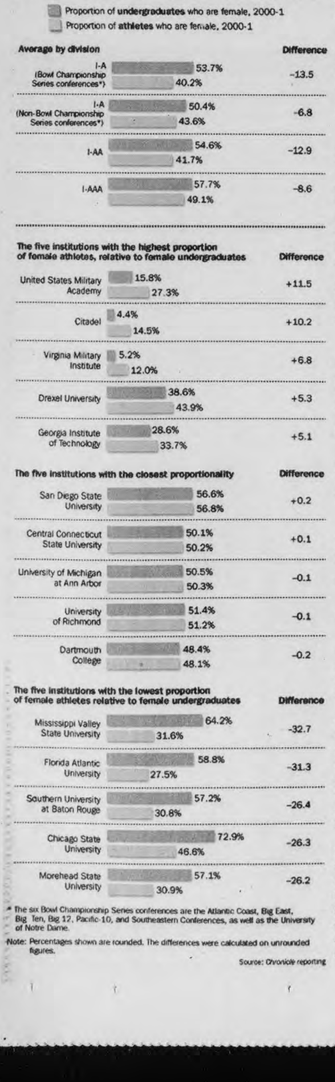
interpretations and application of the statue at the level of the Office of Civil Rights.

Yes, Title IX has been immensely effective in achieving progress toward gender equity for girls and women in sport. Since 1972, the participation of girls and women in sport at the high school level has increased more than 800 percent and more than 400 percent at the college levels. Beyond participation rates, Title IX opened the door for women to earn scholarships for athletics at the college level. Championships for women's sports are a direct result of Title IX, as is the high percentage of women coaching women, and the high level of skill we have the pleasure to watch. Without Title IX, the talent of these girls and women would never have been developed. Further, and perhaps more importantly, the well-being of women and girls is enhanced with opportunities in athletics—self-esteem, confidence, self-efficacy, leadership qualities and perceptions of body image are higher; rates of depression, suicide, high risk behaviors and risk of breast cancer are lower.

—Kathleen A. Martin, assistant

Participation Gaps

Most athletics directors believe that to comply with Title IX, they must make the percentage of athletes who are women the same as the percentage of undergraduates who are women at their institutions. Below are the average percentages for institutions in Division I of the National Collegiate Athletic Association, as well as the colleges that are closest to "substantial proportionality," exceed it by the most, and are failing to meet it by the most.


Proportion of undergraduates who are female, 2000-1
Proportion of athletes who are female, 2000-1
Average by division
Difference
I-A (Bowl Championship Series conferences*) 53.7% 40.2% -13.5
I-A (Non-Bowl Championship Series conferences*) 50.4% 43.6% -6.8
I-AA 54.6% 41.7% -12.9
I-AAA 57.7% 49.1% -8.6
The five institutions with the highest proportion of female athletes, relative to female undergraduates
Difference
United States Military Academy 15.8% 27.3% +11.5
Citadel 4.4% 14.5% +10.2
Virginia Military Institute 5.2% 12.0% +6.8
Drexel University 38.6% 43.9% +5.3
Georgia Institute of Technology 28.6% 33.7% +5.1
The five institutions with the closest proportionality
Difference
San Diego State University 56.6% 56.8% +0.2
Central Connecticut State University 50.1% 50.2% +0.1
University of Michigan at Ann Arbor 50.5% 50.3% -0.1
University of Richmond 51.4% 51.2% -0.1
Dartmouth College 48.4% 48.1% -0.2
The five institutions with the lowest proportion of female athletes relative to female undergraduates
Difference
Mississippi Valley State University 64.2% 31.6% -32.7
Florida Atlantic University 58.8% 27.5% -31.3
Southern University at Baton Rouge 57.2% 30.8% -26.4
Chicago State University 72.9% 46.6% -26.3
Morehead State University 57.1% 30.9% -26.2

* The six Bowl Championship Series conferences are the Atlantic Coast, Big East, Big Ten, Big 12, Pacific-10, and Southeastern Conferences, as well as the University of Notre Dame.

Note: Percentages shown are rounded. The differences were calculated on unrounded figures.

Source: Chronicle reporting

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administration, there is much to be learned by looking back at where the law actually came from.

The Nixon Administration (1969-1974)

In 1972, President Richard Nixon began the history of Title IX with the stroke of a pen. On June 23, he signed the Education Amendments into law after Congress sent him the legislation. The law came out of the increased desire to see gender inequity in education lessened and eventually removed from the system.

Not long after the law was signed, the NCAA began the process of changing its rules. According to its Web site, "In 1973, on the advice of legal council, the NCAA rescinded its rule prohibiting female student-athletes from competing for NCAA championships. That same year, Dacia Schileru, a diver from Wayne State University (Michigan), became the first female to compete in an NCAA championship when she entered the College Division Swimming and Diving Championships."

The Ford Administration (1974-1977)

During the Ford Administration, Congress was very busily debating legislation to amendment Title IX.

Opposition came from the NCAA. According to its records, "President John Fuzak of Michigan State University, wrote to President Ford, stating that, 'The Department of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW) concepts of Title IX as expressed could seriously damage, if not destroy, the major men's intercollegiate athletic programs.'"

Signed by Ford and effective on July 7, 1975, the new law included language that would prohibit sex discrimination in athletics and gave educational institutions a three-year window to comply with the new regulations.

The Carter Administration (1977-1981)

Policy regarding Title IX once again changed in 1978 under President Carter's administration when HEW issued a document entitled "Title IX and Intercollegiate Athletics" for comment in Congress. The policy presumed that collegiate athletic compliance to the law was based on equal average per capita expenditures for men's and women's athletics.

Later, on Dec. 11, 1979, the final policy was signed. In its final form, the law focused on an institution's obligation to provide for equal opportunity for men and women as determined by the "Three Prong Test" still used today.

The Reagan Administration (1981-1989)

It was during the Reagan administration that Title IX went through some of its most vigorous opposition. According to a 1982 *New York Times* piece, "Despite the progress since the enactment of the Title IX legislation, there is concern among some female officials and athletes over the uneven enforcement of the law and a series of conflicting court interpretations of the law's intent."

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Perhaps the most controversial event for Title IX legislation came in 1984 when the Supreme Court issued its ruling on the Grove City case. According to the NCAA, "Those who wanted to limit the scope of Title IX won a major victory when the Supreme Court ruled that Title IX did apply to Grove City (through its students receiving federal aid) but that Title IX only applied to those departments that actually received the funds. That narrow interpretation effectively denied the application of Title IX to non-federally funded programs such as college athletics departments."

As the NCAA points out, the debate was not yet over. "In 1988, Congress enacted the Civil Rights Restoration Act, requiring that all educational institutions that receive either direct or indirect federal funds to be subject to Title IX. That act restored the power of Title IX and caused the Association, as well as its member institutions, to rethink Title IX and its impact yet again."

It became law on March 22, 1988, only after Congress overrode the veto President Ronald Reagan imposed on the legislation.

The George H. W. Bush Administration (1989-1993)

Events during the first Bush's administration began to push Title IX into the mainstream. On April 2, 1990, the Office of Civil Rights of the Department of Education (DOE) published a manual detailing the steps necessitated in investigating any violations of Title IX. Authored by Valerie M. Bonnette and Lamar Daniel, the manual expressed the serious nature with which the DOE intended to take the law.

The Clinton Administration (1993-2001)

Title IX began to take its present-day form shortly after the Clinton administration took office. The Equity in Athletics Disclosure Act of 1994 required a full disclosure program for any coeducational higher education institution taking part in any federal student financial aid program while maintaining an intercollegiate athletics program. The law mandated that these disclosures be made yearly and that they begin on Oct. 1, 1996.

Where has it gotten us?

There have been many studies performed by organizations in favor of and against the basic tenets of Title IX. As you would imagine, their findings are always debated. Even through there are so many sources of statistics, the numbers do show some important trends.

Title IX has increased the ability of women's sports programs to compete on a level with that of men's sports. There are now more women participating than ever before and there is more money in women's athletics than ever before. Whether there will ever be total equality remains to be seen. The history of Title IX will be seen in the athletic programs across the country for years to come and its legacy will only be determined with the current events presented to us.

—Much of the framework for this article came from a study done by the University of Iowa. Also, the National Women's Law Center provided for much of the data, as did the NCAA.

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try, schools such as Bucknell and Marquette joined the growing list of wrestling program demises, despite being supported entirely by a booster program outside of the university budgets.

Examining these findings and many others, the commission set forth many recommendations to be delivered to Paige later this month, including one that states: "The Office of Civil Rights should allow institutions to conduct interest surveys as a way of demonstrating compliance with the three part test." Not necessarily meant as a change, this proposal might strengthen schools' use and awareness of the third part of the test.

Other important recommendations by the commission included one that would change how participation is measured in sports. This would be done by setting a number of roster spots for each team and enabling schools to establish budgets based on these numbers. The commission suggested not counting walk-ons to teams, or those students who do not receive scholarships to play their respective sports.

Much of the commission's work was also criticized. Women's rights groups say that the commission's proposals may contribute to a loss in opportunity rather than a continued growth. They argue that the commission did not discuss fixing the discrimination that still exists against women.

"This is just about predetermining the amount of discrimination we're going to practice," said Christine A. Grant, former women's athletic director at the University of Iowa. "If this goes through, in perpetuity women are going to be underrepresented, underprivileged, and I can never support that."

One of the commission's votes was left openended, ending in a 7-7 tie because of the absence of a member who was serving on another panel at the time of the vote.

Debbie Yow, the athletics director at the University of Maryland, had suggested that schools split the number of spots on sports teams 50-50 between men and women with a margin of 2-3 percentage points of fluctuation.

Currently, women make up 56 percent of undergraduate enrollment, while only making up 42 percent of athletes. This would serve to ease the need of colleges to cut so many men's athletics teams, while allowing equal participation opportunity. Even though the proposal did not pass, it will be in the final report to Paige, just without the commission's formal backing.

The commission on Opportunity in Athletics concluded formal meetings at the end of January with a message to schools: cutting men's teams to achieve equality is "not a favored practice."

The commission's work was riddled by speculation that many of the witnesses who came before the commission were against the law, concern that 10 of the 15 members of the commission were pulled from Division I-A universities and rumor that some commission members said they did not have enough information to make informed votes.

Echoing the goals and prospects of the commission's work was Ted Leland, athletics director at Stanford University.

" ... We are ... the first shot out of the cannon," Leland said. "We've made it OK to talk about Title IX enforcement. That's all we've done."

Sports

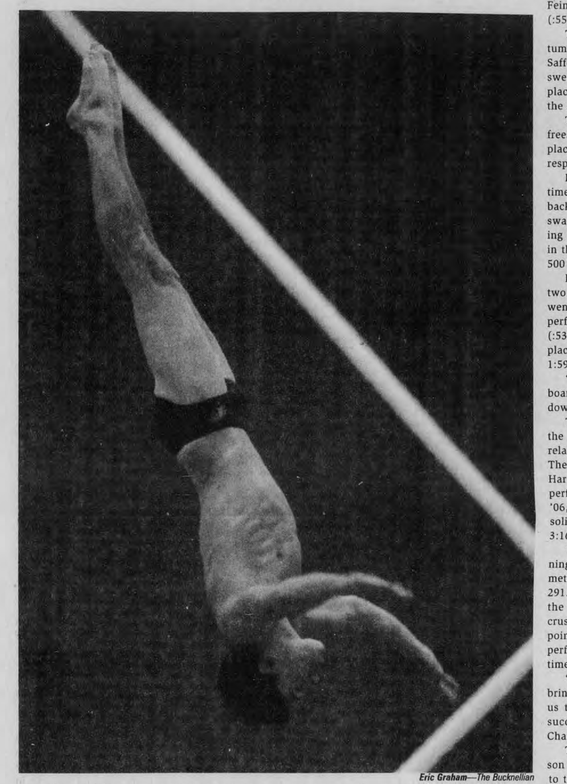
Men defeat Lehigh in last dual meet

Bison swimmers end the regular season with a record of 4-2 and now look ahead to the Patriot League Championships

By Lauren O'Connor
Staff Writer

The University men's swimming and diving team beat the Lehigh Mountain Hawks 157-143 in its final dual meet of the season last Saturday.

Before the races started, there was a celebration for the seven seniors on the team. The meet against Lehigh was the last regular season meet for Gonzalo Diaz, Christopher Feinthel, Michael Guskey, Geoffrey Konopka, Kurt McCoy, Stelios Saffos and Stephen Schwanhausser.



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Adam Freeman '04 performs a dive at the Lehigh meet. Freeman easily earned the gold medals in both the one- and three-meter diving events. In the one-meter competition, Freeman set a new school record with a total of 291.22 points, 94.13 points above the 2nd-place diver.

"In general, the Lehigh meet was a monumental victory for the men's swim team. Our team really came together and rose to the occasion," diver Adam Freeman '05 said.

The men won the first two events. The 200-meter medley relay team of Mark Kretzer '06, Guskey, Peter Garvin '04 and Michael Willats '04 finished in 1 minute, 35.88 seconds. McCoy was victorious in the 1,000 freestyle in 9:52.11.

In both the 200 freestyle and the 100 backstroke, the Bison were able to capture 3rd and 4th place finishes, respectively. Todd Bauer '06 (1:45.79) and Matt Hallowell '04 (1:48.15) swam the 200 freestyle, and Feinthel (:54.94) and Michael Harrigan '04 (:55.45) swam the 100 backstroke.

The team was able to regain its momentum in the 100 breast stroke. Guskey (:58.23), Saffos (:59.30) and Schwanhausser (:59.73) swept the event. Kretzer gained another 1st-place finish for the team and for himself in the 200 butterfly with a time of 1:56.32.

The sprint events, the 50 and 100 freestyles, saw Bucknell capture two 2nd-place finishes by Garvin in :21.52 and :47.53, respectively.

In the next three events, the 1st-place times were recorded. Feinthel won the 200 backstroke in 1:57.37. William Schilling '06 swam a 2:07.81 in the 200 breast stroke, placing him third on the Bucknell all-time charts in that event. Bauer captured the gold in the 500 freestyle in 4:45.79.

Important points were added in the last two individual events of the meet. The Bison went 2, 3, 4 in the 100 butterfly with good performances by Kretzer (:52.84), Harrigan (:53.72) and Dean Deluca (:54.06). Hallowell placed 2nd in the 200 individual medley in 1:59.57.

"After stellar performances across the board, the meet was very close and came down to the last relay," Freeman said.

The winner of the meet was decided in the final event of the day, the 400 freestyle relay. Bucknell placed 1st and 4th in the race. The 1st place team of Jake Thieman '05, Harrigan, Willats and Garvin turned in good performances, finishing in 3:10.48. Brian Cole '06, Deluca, Saffos and Guskey all swam well, solidifying the win with a 4th-place finish in 3:16.03.

The diving team also contributed in winning the meet. Freeman won both the one-meter and three-meter events. He received 291.22 points in the one-meter and 260.92 in the three-meter. In the three-meter, he crushed his competition by scoring 52 more points than the 2nd-place finisher. Freeman's performance placed him seventh on the all-time charts in the three-meter.

"I believe that this win was essential in bringing the men's team together and giving us the confident mentality that we need to succeed in the Patriot League Championships," Freeman said.

The Bucknell men's team ended the season with a record of 4-2. It now looks ahead to the Patriot League Championships, which Lehigh won last year. They will be held Feb. 20-22 in the Kinney Natatorium.

Creamer becomes overall all-time leading scorer

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rest of the game. Creamer connected on a huge three and then scored 11 unanswered points over the next six minutes to keep Bucknell within striking distance. The defense forced Colgate into 17 second-half turnovers and Creamer, Kate Franks '03 and company converted them into 21 points.

The Bison took their first lead of the game, 54-53, on a pair of free throws by Creamer with 6:47 left. Franks drained a huge three that gave Bucknell a four-point advantage heading into the final stretch. The Orange and Blue defense created three Colgate turnovers in the final two minutes and scored seven of the last nine points of the game for a 70-62 victory.

Creamer achieved another milestone as her 37 points set a new record for most points scored in a game by a female in Colgate's Cotterell Court. All-Patriot League candidate Franks had an outstanding game with 17 points and eight rebounds.

Bucknell hopped on a bus and drove to Holy Cross Feb. 2 in a rematch of last year's Patriot League Championship game. Without the luxuries of rest or recovery time the Bison could not repeat last year's monumental victory and fell to the Crusaders 86-76.

The Orange and Blue battled the Crusaders hard in the first half with neither team able to extend a lead past seven points. The Bison stormed out of the gate with an 11-7 lead, stunning the hostile crowd. Holy Cross quickly tied the game at 13 and then sprinted out to a 22-15 lead with 8:15 left in the half. Lindsey Geosits '06 continued her impressive season by knocking down a big three-pointer to pull the Bison within two, 24-22.

The Crusaders tried to put the game away toward the end of the half with an 11-3 spurt, but Bucknell fought hard and trailed by only six at the half, 39-33.

"Lindsey has been starting since game one and I forget that she is a freshman when she is out there playing," Creamer said. "They [the freshmen] are all doing such a great job. I am really proud of all of them."

Holy Cross exploited a fatigued Bison squad with a 10-2 run over the first five minutes of the half to build a 14-point lead. The Holy Cross offense pounded the ball inside, wearing down the Bison defense and building an 18-point cushion with just under 10 minutes left. The Orange and Blue offense continued to struggle. Bucknell's exhaustion was apparent in its free-throw shooting as they struggled to keep focus and uncharacteristically missed many scoring chances.

The Bison continued to dig deep within and refused to give in to fatigue, or the Crusaders, as they mounted one last comeback. They followed a four-minute scoring drought from the field by converting 11 straight foul shots to pull within 10, 67-57. Creamer fought hard for open shots and continued to draw fouls, creating precious points for Bucknell and closing the gap to 79-72 with under three minutes left. Holy Cross shot a surreal 65 percent from the floor in the second half and converted seven free throws in the closing minutes to forge an 86-76 victory.

Creamer assaulted the record books as her 33 points made her the Patriot League's overall (men or women) all-time leading scorer and improved her scoring average to 27.5 points per contest, good enough to rank her first in the country in scoring. Unfortunately, the Orange and Blue lost the services of Franks to a hip injury with 11:47 left in the game. Geosits did a great job picking up the slack as she netted a career-high nine points to go with four assists and two steals.

"When Franks got hurt in the Cross game I knew I was going to have to step up as more of a scoring option," Geosits said. "Molly was going to get doubled a lot more and in those situations Franks or Des usually provide more of the offense, so without Franks we were down a major threat."

Bucknell continues its tough road trip with a 3:15 p.m. tilt against American on Feb. 8.

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were turned into varsity-club programs. This way, athletes could still participate, but the numbers would not have to be added into the proportionality equation.

The plan was based on the recommendation of a 24-member committee that has spent the last two years studying ways the University can achieve proportionality. The plan also called for upgrading athletic facilities for women, adding at least one new full-time assistant coach or head coach for a women's sport and equalizing recruiting dollars for men's and women's teams.

With the elimination of the two men's teams as varsity sports, the University is much closer to the desired 51/49 percent for men and women, respectively.

"Though it wasn't the only part of the plan, our leading principle was to be substantially proportional," Vice President of Student Affairs Charles Pollock '70 said.

While he feels the University is now much closer to reaching that goal, he said that there are still changes to be made in other areas such as funding and staffing.

Once again, the difference can be seen in the numbers. In 2001, the women's total share of operating expenses was 37 percent, the recruiting budget was 24 percent and the women's share of coaching budget was 36 percent. The school is working on making statistics such as these closer to 50 percent.

Though it seems the University still has a way to go in fully satisfying the requirements of Title IX, the school has come a long way. Some decisions the University has made have resulted in conflicts, debates and even lawsuits. Whether everyone agrees with Title IX or not, one fact continues to remain: It is the law, and the school has made a huge amount of progress since its introduction only 30 years ago.

Sports Statistics

Men's Basketball
Bucknell vs. Holy Cross
Feb. 2, 2003 3:15 p.m. at Hart Center, Worcester, Mass.

## Player Name	TOT-FG FG-FGA	3-PT FG-FGA	FT-FTA	REBOUNDS OF	DE	TOT	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
04 Lalugba, Boakai	3-11	0-1	5-8	1	9	10	3	11	2	6	1	0	31
00 Skornik, Davorin	1-1	0-0	1-2	0	1	1	4	3	0	2	0	1	10
05 Blankenship, Dan	4-8	1-2	2-4	1	4	5	5	11	3	2	0	0	31
12 Bettencourt, Kevin	2-8	1-5	5-5	0	3	3	1	10	1	3	0	0	34
25 Quinn, Matt	0-5	0-1	0-0	0	5	5	1	0	2	0	0	0	26
01 Slater, Ben	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	2	2	2	0	1	2	0	0	13
10 Webber, Roland	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	6
31 Niesz, Chris	1-4	1-3	0-0	0	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	23
42 Hardenbergh, Jordan	0-2	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	1	1	5
44 Vlaer-McClymont, T.	1-4	0-0	1-5	1	1	2	3	3	0	0	0	0	19
50 Bennett, Jeremiah	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Totals	14-44	5-14	14-24	5	26	31	24	47	10	17	2	1	200

TOTAL FG %	1st Half: 6-19 .316	2nd Half: 8-25 .320	Game: .318	DEADBALL	
3-Pt. FG %	1st Half: 4-8 .500	2nd Half: 1-6 .167	Game: .357	REBOUNDS	
F Throw %	1st Half: 9-14 .643	2nd Half: 5-10 .500	Game: .583	6	

Men's Basketball
Bucknell vs. Colgate
Jan. 31, 2003 7:45 p.m. at Hamilton, N.Y.

## Player Name	TOT-FG FG-FGA	3-PT FG-FGA	FT-FTA	REBOUNDS OF	DE	TOT	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
04 Lalugba, Boakai	6-15	0-0	6-9	3	7	10	2	18	2	3	0	0	38
00 Skornik, Davorin	1-2	0-0	1-2	0	2	2	3	3	0	0	0	0	13
05 Blankenship, Dan	2-5	0-0	6-6	0	4	4	3	10	2	1	0	0	36
12 Bettencourt, Kevin	4-8	3-7	0-0	0	3	3	0	11	0	2	0	0	33
25 Quinn, Matt	2-6	2-5	2-2	1	0	1	2	8	0	3	0	1	29
01 Slater, Ben	1-1	0-0	2-2	1	7	8	1	4	0	0	0	0	20
10 Webber, Roland	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	7
21 Namvou, Jack	1-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	1
31 Niesz, Chris	0-0	0-0	2-2	0	1	1	3	2	0	1	0	0	12
42 Hardenbergh, Jordan	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
44 Vlaer-McClymont, T.	2-2	0-0	0-0	2	0	2	3	4	0	0	0	0	6
50 Bennett, Jeremiah	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Totals	19-41	5-12	19-23	8	23	31	19	62	6	14	3	3	200

TOTAL FG %	1st Half: 0-0 .000	2nd Half: 19-41 .463	Game: .463	DEADBALL	
3-Pt. FG %	1st Half: 0-0 .000	2nd Half: 5-12 .417	Game: .417	REBOUNDS	
F Throw %	1st Half: 0-0 .000	2nd Half: 19-23 .826	Game: .826	1	

Women's Basketball
Bucknell vs. Holy Cross
Feb. 2, 2003 1:00 p.m. at Hart Center, Worcester, Mass.

# Player Name	TOT-FG FG-FGA	3-PT FG-FGA	FT-FTA	REBOUNDS OF	DE	TOT	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
13 Almind, Desire	6-11	0-1	8-10	7	4	11	4	20	1	2	1	4	35
20 Smith, Chelsea	2-2	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	3	4	1	1	0	0	25
32 Franks, Kate	4-9	0-4	0-0	0	2	2	0	8	3	1	0	0	31
15 Geosits, Lindsey	3-6	1-2	2-2	1	2	3	2	9	4	2	0	2	34
23 Creamer, Molly	10-21	3-9	10-13	3	1	4	5	33	4	8	0	1	40
21 Hettler, Katie	1-2	0-1	0-0	0	1	1	1	2	2	0	0	1	9
31 Ketchum, Amy	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	8
33 Ruth, Jennie	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	2	0	0	1	0	0	7
55 Edwards, Mary	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	11
Totals	26-52	4-17	20-25	14	13	27	20	76	15	5	1	9	200

TOTAL FG %	1st Half: 13-26 .500	2nd Half: 13-26 .500	Game: .500	DEADBALL	
3-Pt. FG %	1st Half: 3-9 .333	2nd Half: 1-8 .125	Game: .235	REBOUNDS	
F Throw %	1st Half: 8-12 .667	2nd Half: 16-19 .842	Game: .800	4,1	

Women's Basketball
Bucknell vs. Colgate
Jan. 31, 2003 5:30 p.m. at Cotterell Court, Hamilton, N.Y.

# Player Name	TOT-FG FG-FGA	3-PT FG-FGA	FT-FTA	REBOUNDS OF	DE	TOT	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
13 Almind, Desire	3-13	0-0	2-4	3	4	7	3	8	2	1	2	4	38
20 Smith, Chelsea	1-1	0-0	4-5	1	1	2	0	6	0	2	0	1	19
15 Geosits, Lindsey	1-5	0-0	0-0	0	3	3	4	2	0	1	0	1	31
23 Creamer, Molly	4-14	3-5	6-6	2	6	8	3	37	3	3	1	6	40
32 Franks, Kate	6-13	3-8	2-5	1	7	8	1	17	1	3	2	1	35
21 Hettler, Katie	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
31 Ketchum, Amy	0-3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
33 Ruth, Jennie	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	16
55 Edwards, Mary	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Totals	25-69	6-13	14-20	10	23	33	13	70	6	11	5	13	200

TOTAL FG %	1st Half: 10-38 .263	2nd Half: 15-31 .484	Game: .362	DEADBALL	
3-Pt. FG %	1st Half: 2-8 .250	2nd Half: 4-5 .800	Game: .462	REBOUNDS	
F Throw %	1st Half: 4-5 .800	2nd Half: 10-15 .667	Game: .700	4	

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THE GREAT PEANUT ROLL

Students get down on their hands and knees, pushing peanuts across the finish line first for fun prizes such as T-shirts, certificates for the Bookstore and free pizza at Pete's Arena. The peanuts had to be rolled using nothing but the students' noses. The event was held last Wednesday in the cafeteria. Competitions were held every 15 minutes throughout dinner.

Bucknell Connection: 300 Girl Scouts to earn merit badges with University students

By Meghan Ball
Features Editor

Three hundred Girl Scouts will flood Olin Science for "Bucknell Connection" tomorrow. This annual Circle K program invites Girl Scouts from the four-county area to spend a day earning merit badges.

This year's girls will be completing "Making it Matter," a merit badge focused on chemical, civic and mechanical engineering. The girls will take part in a series of activities planned by Circle K and two Girl Scout leaders.

"The goal for the day is to get the girls excited about engineering and encourage them to pursue interests in the sciences. It's a great opportunity for us and the community because it is such a joint effort between the University groups and the community," Bucknell Connection Chair Sarah Bongarten '06 said.

The Girl Scouts, ranging from third-grade Brownies through eighth-grade Juniors, will participate in six different activites. The girls will make polymer (a substance similar to Silly Putty), create a spinning top out of marbles to learn about ball bearings, builde a bridge out of newspaper and participate in several other activities. They will also listen to a speech by Assistant Professor of Chemical Engineering Margot Vigeant.

This will be the program's 10th year. It includes girls from Union, Montour, North Umberland and Snyder counties.

"We are extremely pleased and grateful that Circle K has continued year after year to commit to this program. Its success hinges on the energy and enthusiasm of Bucknell students," said Ann Arney, the Girl Scout leader who started the program.

While the program was planned by Circle K, Alpha Phi Omega Fraternity, Chi Omega Sorority, the Society of Women Engineers and Catholic Campus Ministries will also be volunteering at the event.

The Girl Scouts will be broken up into groups of 30. Each group will have four to five volunteers leading them from station to station. In addition, each station has a leader will have a leader running the activity. Nicole Lynn '03 feels that the volunteers serve as role models.

"The Girl Scout project is a good way for students to interact with children from the surrounding area. The girls come here and look up to college students; we become their role models for the day," Lynn said. "It's a great experience for both the Girl Scouts and the students."

Circle K is an on-campus group that does community service activities. "Bucknell Connection" is one of its largest events. They meet on Sundays at 7 p.m. The public is invited to stop by in Olin Science tomorrow beginning at 8 a.m. to see the Girl Scout program.

Visiting Poet: Pit Menousek Pinegar

By Caitlin McKee
Staff Writer

Pit Menousek Pinegar, the University's visiting poet, is no stranger to campus. She graduated from the University in 1963 with a bachelor's degree in English, and she has gone on to establish a successful career as a multimedia artist. Pinegar summed up her return to the University in three words.

"It's just fun," Pinegar said.

Her role as visiting poet marks her seventh time returning to campus. In past years, Pinegar has given a Capstone lecture on creativity and worked with creative writing classes. She also spent a month in the summer at the University's Poet Cottage. For Pinegar, the University's friendly vibe is what keeps her coming back.

"The reason I first came to Bucknell is because it was a really friendly place, and it still is. It's so much fun every time I come back, it never occurs to me not to," Pinegar said.

During the first part of her residency, which ran from Jan. 28-31, Pinegar gave a lecture titled "A Funny Thing Happens on the Way to the Form: The Adventures of a Multi-Genre Writer." She also met with senior and first-year creative writing classes. Pinegar worked with student writers on developing ideas and structure.

"The exercise is designed to find out what did the students want to write about and what form that idea will take, whether it be an essay, a poem or prose," Pinegar said.

Pinegar will return to campus for the second part of her residency on March 4. She is looking forward to reuniting with the student writers to discuss the development of their work.

"It is exciting to know I will recognize people and see their revisions," Pinegar said.

During her next visit, Pinegar also plans to give a reading of her own material and work with opera students on character development.

As an artist of all trades, Pinegar has a lot to offer the University's aspiring artists. Name a genre of art, and she has experience in it. She is the author of two published books of poetry and has just finished the manuscript of a third.

Pinegar has published essays, staged a piece of performance art and is also a photographer. Currently, she is writing poetry to go along with her photographs of various literary figures.

Pinegar said she is always working on a project. The type of project often depends on her schedule.

"Poetry is a day-to-day, regular thing I can do in life. But if someone gives me a big space of time, I like nothing better than to drop into a piece of long fiction," Pinegar said.

The artist said she is inspired by the different relationships humans have in the world.

"I write a lot about relationships. I'm not sure of anything I've ever written that does not have to do with relationships. Just being in the world and what that means from moment to moment, sometimes it's about citizenship, sometimes it's about nature, sometimes it's about the form love takes," Pinegar said.

Pinegar believes the liberal arts education she received from the University provided her with the professional freedom necessary to establish the versatile career she enjoys today.

"I left Bucknell not with a profession, as most parents expect. I left here with a solid liberal arts education that let me do anything I want. I have a varied career that I am extremely happy with and I do not know if I would have it had I had some other kind of education," Pinegar said.

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International students fight for visas

By Ashley Maliken
Staff Writer

In the post Sept. 11 world, life isn't as simple as it once was. Though the terrorist attacks may have unified our nation, internationally there is a river of distrust that runs very deep. While this presents much turmoil in the political spectrum, it has much farther reaching effects than many realize. For one student here, Yew San Lim '06 of Malaysia, those effects are apparent every time he looks around the University. Lim, after being accepted early decision to the University, spent endless weeks applying for his visa in order to begin studies only to be repeatedly denied.

Prior to Sept. 11, the application process for a visa took only a month. Understanding the many difficulties he could face, both as an international student and a male, Lim sent his application in during June of 2002, nearly three months before his scheduled departure for the United States. Though he expected to get his visa without hassle, as he had no reason to be denied—his sister and parents had both studied in the United States without trouble, he played it safe. His hunch proved correct, for a few weeks later he received a letter saying that his application could not be processed and he should wait until he was contacted before applying again. There was no reason given for his rejection, just that he was denied.

"We were still quite hopeful," Lim said. "I got an e-mail not much later saying I could send my application in again, and so I did."

After sending his application in for a second time, Lim was once again denied. His unprocessed application was returned with instructions to wait for further notice before applying again. Once again there was no explanation, and by this point it was too late for Lim to begin his first semester at the University. Lim didn't stop trying, and instead remained productive while in Malaysia. He took classes at home in order to acquire some college credits, all the while waiting until he got notice to reapply for his visa.

> *"[The visa] was a perfect Christmas present. I picked it up the day after Christmas."*
> ***—Yew San Lim** '06*

Finally word came, so Lim sent in his application one last time. Then, two days before Christmas, he received a telephone call telling him that his application had been accepted and he was to report to the capital city of Kuala Lumpur and pick up his visa. He never received any details about why he was repeatedly denied, but his excitement at finally being granted a visa overshadowed his desire for an explanation.

"It was a perfect Christmas present. I picked it up the day after Christmas," Lim said.

At the start of the spring semester Lim officially enrolled as a first-year mechanical engineering student at the University. Lim is behind in some of his requirements because of the semester he missed. One session this summer and the credits from his courses back home will be enough to ensure his graduation with the Class of 2006. The visa he was finally granted lasts for four and a half years, so his tenure here will not be plagued with worries of being sent home.

Though Lim's story has a happy ending, there are many other students here experiencing similar problems with no apparent end in sight. The Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) has recently instituted a new policy called "special registration" that requires international students to register and check in regularly with its office in Philadelphia. They are fingerprinted, identified in a photo directory and forced to check in with the status and progress of the education.

Current students at the University were not affected by this law until Dec. 18, while students were away on winter break, Pakistan and Saudi Arabia were added to the list of countries requiring documentation. In a few days affected students will travel to Philadelphia and start what will become a monthly task for the rest of their time in the United States. This special registration process, in addition to the risk of having their visas revoked, is enough to make many students afraid to go home.

"I have decided that I can't go home until I graduate because I am afraid that if I go home and apply for a new visa, I won't get it. I really want to get my degree and go home, making it very frustrating," Khalid Alghamdi '05 said. He was one of the students at the University to experience the new INS program, spending nine hours in the airport until he was registered.

Sept. 11 has caused problems nationwide, many of which the University was sheltered from in the protective bubble that is college life. With each passing day more and more people feel the effects and will continue to do so until they reach graduation. That is, if the INS allows them to stay here that long.

FEATURES

Abroad Perspective: field studies in Kenya

By Sarah Gudenkauf
Senior Writer

My 10 favorite questions that I was asked after a semester in Africa and their short answers:

1. You went where?!? Kenya.

2. Why would you go there? Where else would be cooler? I wanted to go someplace where I could study both fascinating culture and wildlife.

3. *What did you do there?* I took classes and did a research project.

4. *Did you live in a hut?* That depends on your frame of reference.

5. *Was it really hot?* Not all of the time. Actually, at night it could be quite cool.

6. *Did you see any animals?* Yes, I was studying wildlife management.

7. *Did you get to pet a lion?* Um, no, you don't really pet the wildlife.

8. *Did you shower?* Yes, but since the water was cold I tried not to shower too often.

9. *Do you have any diseases?* No, although I guess that would make for a better story.

10. *Do you speak/hum that language, with the sounds, from that movie?* I think you mean "The Gods Must Be Crazy." That language is Click, and, NO, I don't speak it. But I did pick up a little Swahili.

Bonus question: *How was it?* Indescribably wonderful.

Those are the short answers. During fall semester 2002 I participated in the School for Field Studies: Center for Wildlife Management Studies, Kenya program (SFS, CWMS). There were 43 students divided between two sites; my group consisted of 22 students who were all wonderful. It was, as I mentioned before, indescribably wonderful, but I will now attempt to do so anyway.

SFS had two sites, each fully equipped with a large local and international staff, bandas (our cabins), a kitchen, dining area/classroom and running water for sinks and outdoor bathrooms.

I spent the first half of the semester at the site in Kenya's capital, Kitengela, a few miles south of Nairobi, approximately 1 degree south of the Equator. I spent the second half of the semester four hours south of Nairobi at the site in the Kijiado District. Mount Kilimanjaro in Tanzania could be seen very clearly rising above our camp.

We had a midsemester break before switching sites where we were able to travel around Kenya. I spent my break on an island off the northern coast in the Indian Ocean called Lamu, but that is another story.

While at SFS we took four wonderful courses: wildlife management, ecology, socioeconomic/environmental policy and directed research. We were able to apply lectures from our African professors, who are experts in their field, directly to our environment. The program was perfect for me, as an animal behavior major and African studies minor.

Many field lectures took place in Nairobi National Park or Amboseli National Park. There we did grass species surveys or game counts—that is, counting the number of zebra, wildebeest, elephants and many other species, or speaking to people in the local community about human-wildlife issues. We also went on two camping expeditions in the Maasai Mara National Reserve and Tsavo West National Park. In early November we took our final examinations for three courses so that we could spend the next month concentrating on our directed research projects, which was by far one of the best experiences I had while in Kenya.

I worked with seven other students mapping fences in the Kajiado district and interviewing over 200 people who live in the area about their experiences with human-wildlife conflict. The interviews were a wonderful experience. We met many amazing people and even had a chance to practice our Swahili.

After we finished our fieldwork, we spent almost all of our time at the center writing our results. The finished analysis of our results, including the maps we made, is something that I am very proud of. After we finished our papers, we then made a presentation to the community. We were able to have open dialogue about our findings and possible solutions with community leaders and a portion of the people who we had interviewed for our research.

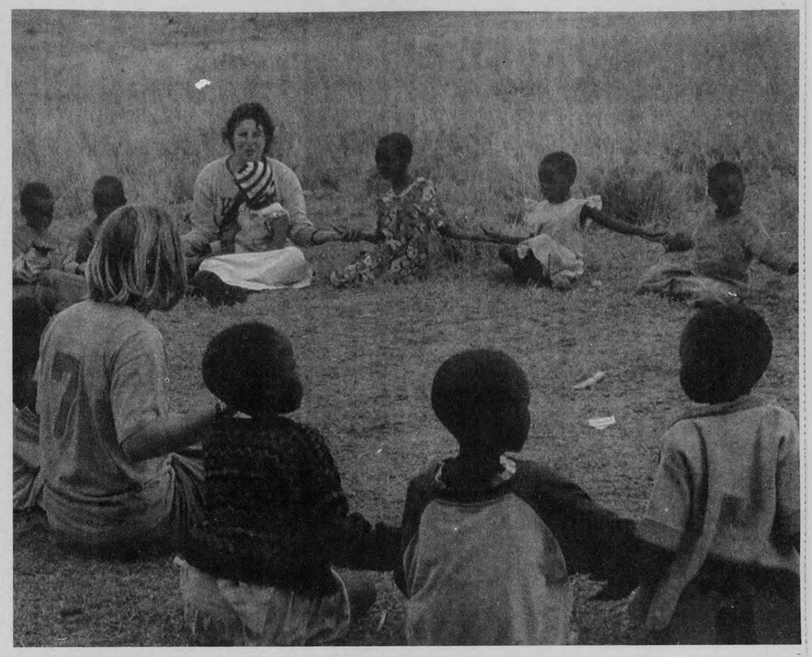
The other question that people always ask me is if I have any good stories. So, assuming that *Bucknellian* readers want to hear the stories as well, I will attempt to convey some of my best.

A few weeks into the program we went to the elephant orphanage attached to Nairobi National Park. The sanctuary is for young elephants whose mothers have died, usually as a result of poaching for the ivory trade.

There were several elephants at the orphanage, varying in age; some were as old as 5-6 years. The oldest elephants would soon be transported to other national parks in Kenya where they would be introduced into an established elephant herd. We also got to see the orphanage's newest arrival, a very young female elephant. She was only 5 days old. Her skin was still soft and she stood about to about midthigh height.

A little over halfway through the semester we went on an expedition in Tsavo West National Park. We camped in small tents, did field exercises and listened to quest lectures from park managers. At night we had Kenyan Wildlife Services askaris (guards) to make sure that we were safe from being stepped on by an elephant or that a herd of buffalo didn't wander through our campground.

On the second night one of the girls in our group left her tent to go to the bathroom. While she was outside the tent, she saw a large male lion run past her on the road into camp, and she dove back into her tent. A few moments later she and her tentmates saw the silhouette of a lion circle their tent and another lion chewing on one professor's tent.



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Top: Students play with local preschool children. The students made improvements to the school house for a community service project. Middle: Elephants at the elephant orphanage in Nairobi National Park. Bottom: Zebras in Nairobi National Park, taken during a game count.

The askaris noticed, as did some other staff members. They soon surrounded the tents with our land cruiser, all the headlights turned on so that they could see the lions. The lions were roaring and the askaris fired four shots into the air to try to encourage the lions to leave. Eventually the lions wandered back out of camp.

No harm done other than some teeth marks in a few tents and a destroyed bucket that young lions had played with. I slept through the entire event! I didn't even wake up once, not for the roaring or the gunshots—to think I missed all that!

But I was not the only one. Five other people also slept through it and the entire event was rehashed for us in detail by our incredulous fellow students and staff.

The comment was made that it is evolutionally maladaptive to sleep though gunshots, but I like to think that it is actually a good trait: I am definitely able to sleep no matter the circumstances.

When the rainy season comes in Kenya, all the previously dusty roads turn to mud and very often into little rivers. On the second day of interviews for our directed research, the roads did precisely this. It had been raining heavily in the afternoon for a couple of days. The day before we had used the winch built into the front of our land cruiser's frame to pull us out of the mud. This day was particularly bad; it took us over four hours to get home, which was only about 15 miles away. We spent much of that time pushing our vehicle and other stuck vehicles that we came across.

At one point we even had to build a bridge out of large rocks over an already existing creek so that our truck and another truck blocking the way could get across. They promptly got stuck on the other side, but we got them across and then we were able to dismantle our bridge to use under the tires of the newly stuck vehicles.

The most exciting part of the afternoon came later. What had been the road we had used to get to our study site that morning was now narrowing as two creeks came closer and closer on either side.

Eventually our truck couldn't stay on the road, which was coming to a point in front of us where the two creeks joined. Unfortunately for us, the creeks were deeper than we had anticipated and our truck tipped over sideways into one of them. I had always wondered what it would be like to climb out of a car that had rolled and now I know.

By the time all of us got out of the truck, it was well and truly stuck. We tried using the winch to pull us out, but this didn't work. So we called for back-up from our campsite where the mechanic said he was on his way with another vehicle to pull us out. Unfortunately, the bridge outside of our camp was flooded and he couldn't get to us.

So, we debated trying to walk home and spent much of our time trying in vain to push our truck upright and dreaming about being dry and clean. At this point, we were soaked through and muddy from head to foot. Locals who came to help said that we were truly Africans now because our skin was no longer white.

After a long debate, we decided to walk home. It was after dark, so walking was discouraged because there were many animals in the area. Once we were on our way, however, we realized that we had not been that far away from camp after all, and within an hour and a half we were back at camp, working on the goal of being clean and dry.

Soon after we were exhausted, but eating dinner and regaling everybody else with our adventure. The clothes we were wearing never did become clean, but the truck was rescued and the next day we went out to do interviews again.

I, of course, can't even begin to tell all the exciting, humorous and memorable stories from my time abroad. There are so many more, and, thanks to my digital camera, roughly 1,000 pictures to illustrate them. If more stories are to be heard, they will have to be told in person, and I hope to remember new ones to tell every day.

Arts & Entertainment

San Jose Taiko drums a new beat

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

"Rhythm Journey Tour 2003" performs a drum routine at the Weis Center last Saturday. San Jose Taiko has influenced Japanese drumming methods for over 20 years.

BY JOSH HERWITT
Staff Writer

The Weis Center for the Performing Arts held its first-ever percussion ensemble concert on campus last Saturday. Eight members (Michelle Fujii, PJ Hirabayashi, Franco Imperial, Yumi Ishihara, Janet Koike, Stewart Kume, Meg Suzuki and Trish Wong) of San Jose Taiko performed their "Rhythm Journey Tour 2003" in one of several concerts in this year's Weis Center Performance Series.

Loud, lasting booms and short, colorful crashes fused with playful choreography to capture the eyes of students, faculty and members of the Lewisburg community in attendance. The audience was amazed by the composition and multiple rhythms of this unfamiliar Japanese art form, which is performed on the taiko drum.

Influenced by past Japanese drumming methods, San Jose Taiko has impressed viewers for 28 years. Now directed by Roy and PJ Hirayhashi, members of the ensemble write and arrange all of their work. Although most of the pieces consist of taiko drumming,other instruments used during the performance include a bamboo flute, gongs, cowbells and other percussion instruments from all over the world.

The concert consisted of 15 songs with an intermission splitting the first and second halves. Compelling pieces included "Gendai ni Ikiru," a combination of traditional taiko rhythms with modern jazz rhythms and the Cuban influence displayed in "Rumbako." Overall, the concert received great praise from the audience.

"I thought the concert was excellent," Visiting Assistant Professor of Anthropology and Sociology Edmund Searles said. "I was impressed with the energy of the performers, as well as their synchronicity. I was mesmerized by the rhythms and the precise choreography of the performers—it was thoroughly entertaining. I think these kinds of performances really showcase how special the Weis Center really is."

Students were also fascinated with this 30-year-old art form—multiple rhythms combining to create one overlying sound—and the Japanese culture and history demonstrated through the use of the taiko drum.

"It was intense. It wasn't each individual part, such as the drumming, rhythms, sound and mood, but rather the collaboration of them all," Ben Trump '06 said. "I am unsure about the level of skill required to play the taiko, but they obviously showed the mastery of taiko drumming through toilsome practice. Each piece seemed to fit its title and subject and showed the history and meaning of taiko."

The art of taiko drumming was very symbolic for the Japanese many years ago, and the members of San Jose Taiko continue to instill significant ideas into their drumming. Such beliefs incorporated into their drumming are beauties and harmonies of the human spirit, as well as individual respect due to the heavy influence of martial arts in Japan.

Not only is the thematic significance of taiko drumming amazing, but its physical strain on the body is well-deserving of praise. The traditional hand strokes and stances of the taiko drummers require a great deal of endurance and strength. Many of the members of San Jose Taiko have spent many years dedicating themselves to perfecting their skills through other forms of percussion.

"I thought the group displayed the kind of enthusiasm and energy I have witnessed in Taiko performances by East Coast groups," Professor of Anthropology and East Asian Studies Paul Noguchi said.

A friend of one of the performs, Noguchi knows how strenuous performing can be.

"Each one of the drummers was in great physical condition. I was delighted to discover that PJ, one of the performers, knew many of the people I grew up with in my hometown in New Jersey that are now participating in taiko," Noguchi said. One of the things I kept telling people I spoke with in the audience is that if one is not aerobically conditioned for the long haul, one does not last long performing a taiko piece. With continuous heavy drumming most of us would not even last a minute. Our arms would be burning."

With this new appreciation for the art of drumming, hopefully more Taiko groups and other percussion ensembles can perform on campus soon.

"Maybe in the future Bucknell can host a percussion festival with taiko as one of several types of drumming," Noguchi said.

Christina Aguilera strips down to a new image

LEAH CUNNINGHAM
A&E Editor

Selling over 12 million copies worldwide, and gaining platinum status in 10 countries and gold status in 11 more, Christina Aguilera emerges with a personal and fearless album, "Stripped." Stripping away her teeny-bopper female artist in media struggle and angst image, Aguilera reforms into a confident, controlled woman taking charge of her own identity.

The album, written and produced largely on Aguilera's own, has made quite a name for her. Topping charts with her 1999 release of "Genie in a Bottle," "What a Girl Wants" and her other smash hit single, "Come On Over Baby," Aguilera's lyrics and songs phased pop-culture with the same overdone, over-rated and misconceived glamour as Britney Spears. Having previously joined forces with Pink, Mya and Lil' Kim in last year's smash "Lady Marmalade," Aguilera's talent became lost in the glitter media hype that she thought had given her the atypical cliche superstar image.

"I was straight ahead about what I wanted to do," Aguilera said, according to RCA Records. "For a long time, I'd been uncomfortable with the image that had been built around me and my music. It felt like I was pretending, trying to hide the real me and hurting instead because of it. This time I was determined to step beyond the hype. ... It was like starting all over again."

CD Review

Giving "Stripped" an independent, rebellious and even zealous appeal is its diverse mix, from her introductory ballad "Beautiful," to hip hop tailored, yet toned down beats including "Get Mine-Get Yours," "Dirrty" and "Can't Hold us Down" featuring Lil' Kim. Unseen in her earlier albums, Aguilera's passion dwells beneath the surface of her lyrics, as in "I am Okay," where she divulges adversity from her past and adds a more personal touch.

Of "I am Okay," Aquilera said in her interview for RCA Records, "It's the most personal song definitely. ...It was the hardest song I ever had to sing and write....It is a song about my past, with my father and what I had to go through. ... really hard, hard stuff... ."

"Stripped" is Aguilera's musical version of emotional revelations contrived from scrapbooks and journals along the way. Aguilera even said that in thinking about what exactly she wanted this album to convey, she continued writing down bits and pieces of songs and thoughts while on tour. This album is a segue into personal liberation, merging the thoughts and emotions of a young women in transition. Aguilera attempts what other artists have struggled with throughout history—the difficult task of redefining an already culturally masked and conditioned image through music. On a greater scale, perhaps Madonna's "Immaculate Collection" yields this same strife for reformation of a new persona, revealing the lost image, the whole self, a woman's confessional—honest and unguarded.

One conflicting issue left unaddressed is the clash of Aguilera's plea for true identity in her lyrics with her "half-stripped," highly sexualized and seductive image still dominating the album.

"I'm more interested in helping girls stand up for themselves. ...[the songs are about] double standards and how we're supposed to look and act a certain way just to please men. If I have any influence as an entertainer, I want it to be optimistic and uplifting. ..." Aguilera said she takes pride in this rekindled independence, self-confidence and the desire to strive away from succumbing to male pressure to fit the "perfect" woman norm, yet she continues to pose topless on the album cover.

Although "Stripped" continues to bare more and more of Aguilera's skin throughout the publicity of the album, the lyrics and message remain a powerful assertion of Aguilera's bold grasp of a new image as her musical talent reaches a new peak.

Farrell and "Recruit" awe female audiences

Courtesy of Reuters

Colin Farrell arrives for premiere of "The Recruit" in Hollywood. The picture stars Al Pacino with Farrell and Bridget Moynahan.

BY MELINDA KUMMER
A&E Editor

Colin Farrell.

Need I say more for you to run to the very next showing of "The Recruit"? If for no other reason I would recommend this movie solely for the purpose of seeing his tattoo.

Of course other stars might appeal to you as well—such as Al Pacino or Bridget Moynahan, also seen in "Coyote Ugly" and "The Sum of all Fears." Whether you go to see the action or the actors, you can do nothing but applaud the acting skills.

Revolving around trust and betrayal within the CIA, "The Recruit" stunningly portrays the process of becoming an Ops Officer.

The story starts when James Clayton (Farrell), graduates at the top of his class at Massachusetts Institute of Technology and catches the eye of CIA recruiter, Burke (Pacino). Taken to "the Farm," a CIA training base, Clayton learns the ins and outs of being an agent. When he doesn't graduate from the program, the plot takes a dramatic twist.

Chock full of espionage and spy tactics, audience members need to be on top of their mental game. Similar to watching a show like "Alias," your mind always needs to be in tune with the details. And when you just can't figure out who's good and who's bad, the details are your only clues.

Besides the intense action and dramatic scenes, a complicated love story also emerges between Clayton and Layla (Moynahan). Between missions, counter-missions and tests, Layla and Clayton flirt their way to near disaster. In a situation where "everything is a test" and "you can't trust anyone," even love has a hard time winning in the end.

Though not entirely unpredictable, the plot did take a few unexpected turns. I'm going to have to disagree with the mediocre reviews of the critics—"The Recruit" is worth seeing.

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Drama "Oleanna" opens tonight

BY KRISTEN HABACHT
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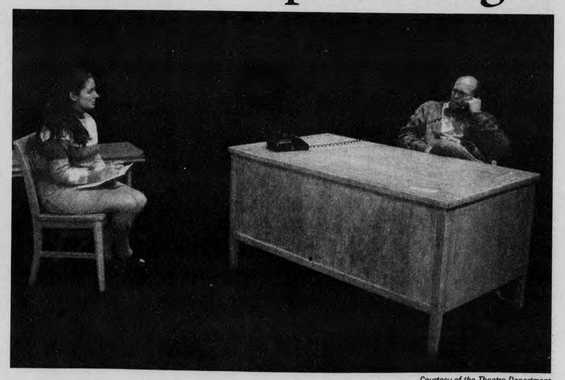

Courtesy of the Theatre Department

Ibby Cizmar '03 and Marc Powers '74 practice a scene from David Mamet's "Oleanna." The drama will be presented in Harvey Powers Theater in Coleman Hall tonight and tomorrow at 8 p.m.

David Mamet's "Oleanna," directed by Associate Professor of Theatre Robert Gainer, will be presented in Harvey Powers Theater in Coleman Hall tonight and tomorrow at 8 p.m. The production will showcase Senior Ibby Cizmar's acting recital and guest alumni actor and son of Harvey Powers, Marc Powers '74.

Often the term "controversial" causes a "theatergoer" to shy away from a production and the experience it provides, but the controversial themes, dialogue and relationships in "Oleanna" should produce exactly the opposite effect. David Mamet's view of society expressed in "Oleanna" is not only challenging toward social ideas, but is also thought provoking, entertaining and, for some, enlightening.

This provocative show experiments with the breaking of a social norm—a relationship between a student and a professor in a University environment. In a world where society and its values are found at a very superficial and face value assessment, "Oleanna" explores ideas and changes this point of view.

"The portrayal of their relationship turns into a fiendishly accurate X-ray of the mechanisms of power, censorship and abuse. It is impossible to see the play without wondering who, if anyone, is right," said one critic, according to the program.

The play allows the audience to see the flaws in both characters and allows them to take their own side.

With only eight days of rigorous rehearsal, Powers, a veteran actor and Professor of Theatre at the University of Alabama at Birmingham, and Cizmar, who has participated in many productions at the University, have enjoyed working on what Powers calls an "intense, interesting and at times frightening" production.

"It's been a lot of work and stress but it's been worth it," Cizmar said.

Besides coordinating rehearsal time with Powers for "Oleanna," Cizmar has also been acting as a director for "The Vagina Monologues."

Powers said that this has been an intense experience, but he and Cizmar are proud of the progress the production has made. The pair has appreciated the opportunity to explore the characters and themselves and hope to share their unique experience with audiences this weekend.

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Giant moves ahead with building plans

Kathryn Kohe—The Bucknellian

Safety and environmental concerns surrounding a proposed Giant at the junction of Beagle Club Road and Route 15 have resulted in protests from the Lewsiburg community. Lighting for the 24-hour store may also affect the University observatory.

BY SANDI-JO GALATI
Associate Editor

A proposed Giant supermarket at the junction of Beagle Club Road and Route 15 in East Buffalo Township has prompted safety and environmental concerns among members of the University and Lewisburg communities.

RVG Management and Development Company submitted its second sketch plan, which includes a 54,500 square foot Giant supermarket and a fueling station, and a land development plan, which outlines traffic and environmental conditions, to the East Buffalo Township zoning officer last month.

Resistance to the plan did not begin with these submissions though, but rather in the early stages of development last fall when community members first learned that a commercial developer was interested in the land that community members had previously thought was zoned only for residential development.

The community organizes

The Rural Route Neighbors, a steering committee established last fall to represent the community's concerns about the project since development plans began, various quality-of-life issues have been raised by.

Members of the Rural Route Neighbors are principally concerned with the safety factors surrounding the development, chiefly the increase in traffic volume that is anticipated, both on Route 15 and the township roads west of Route 15.

"It's our contention that people will seek the path of least resistance when getting to and from the store and will begin to utilize many side streets not currently includ-

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Creamer leads nation in scoring

Basketball star excels on court, academically and as an inspiration to others

BY JOE SCHWEITZER
Staff Writer

How are sports heroes defined in our modern era? Are they people who celebrate their latest victory with arrogant celebrations or perhaps sign multi-year shoe company extensions? Everyone complains that sports has become commercialized, even hinting that players miss certain shots to purposely extend games for television stations and sponsors. While the world is alive with the sound (and sights) of greed, there still remains purity in little old Lewisburg, Pa. That purity is personified in Bucknell's own traditional sports hero, Molly Creamer.

Calling Creamer a sports hero is only a tip of the iceberg, as she is one of the most amazing people you will ever have the chance to meet. Just as there is no "I" in team, there is also no "I" in Cream(er). Creamer is described in the Bucknell women's basketball program as a "dynamic guard with great playmaking abilities and the ability to light up the crowd with exciting passes ... an entertaining player with a scorer's mentality." That little snapshot of what Creamer is only begins to describe this amazing individual.

In a time when big name stars are larger than life, Molly remains humble and well-grounded. She is the first one to deflect every ounce of credit she receives back to the players that she has stepped onto the court with and the coach who brought her here.

"I want to be remembered [at the University] as a team player who cared about her teammates more than anything," the two-time Patriot League Player of the Year said.

In fact, in all the interviews that have been conducted over the years involving "Mols," as her teammates call her, it would be impossible to find even a handful of responses that do not involve the deflection of her spotlight onto her teammates.

"I was interviewing Molly after one of her fantastic games," the voice of Bison basketball, Doug Birdsong, said. "She was just so humble during the interview. It seemed each time I tried to focus on what she did in the game, she always flipped it over to point out that her teammates were the ones who were getting her the ball in the position to score. I was so impressed with the way she liked to pass the praise along."

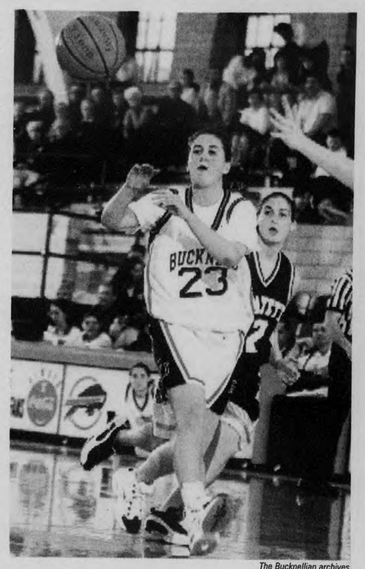
Creamer is an All-American and is leading the country in scoring, but she is also a loving daughter, sister, teammate, player and, most importantly, friend. In fact, the only awards that Creamer could ever adore are the kind words of her teammates. Instead of listing all of her mountainous accomplishments, it is more insightful to have the 2002-2003 Bucknell women's basketball squad share their awards or "Molly Moments" with the rest of the Lewisburg community.

"When I first met Mols she was a skinny, lanky junior in high school that looked like she should be in eighth grade," teammate Brooke Tomovich '05 said. "I never would have guessed that four years from then I would be blessed enough to play with such an amazing person."

Thankfully, Creamer did venture to Lewisburg to test the waters of college basketball. Creamer's high school successes at Mendham High School in New Jersey combined with her outstanding personality were a perfect fit for a Bison program that was still searching for an identity.

Birdsong knew there was something special about Creamer from the first time he met her.

"The first time I saw Molly, it was in Davis Gym, by herself, practicing," Birdsong said. "I remember talking with her for a few minutes and



The Bucknellian archives

Molly Creamer '03 playing in an early game in Davis Gymnasium. The All-American now leads the nation in scoring.

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University makes new housing plans for fall 2003

BY MICHELLE DOMBECK
Managing Editor

University housing will undergo some changes next year. Tower House will be populated by the Tau Kappa Epsilon (TKE) Fraternity, Kappa Sigma Fraternity may become a University dormitory, Bucknell West will once again house four students and the renovations to Vedder Hall will be complete.

"There will be some changes in the landscape next year," said Daniel Remley, assistant dean of students and director of housing and residential life.

According to Remley, TKE will be reclaiming its house.

"TKE's effort to recolonize has been successful and the men will be returning to their house, currently named Tower and occupied by the Arts [Residential College] Alumni," said Remley.

Kappa Sigma is in danger of losing its house for next year.

"The brothers of Kappa Sigma still have a few weeks remaining to recruit new members so that their active membership exceeds the minimal number required (80 percent of the house's capacity)," Remley said. "Failure to do so will result in the forfeiture of the house to the University and the brothers will reside elsewhere, but will still be recognized by the University as an active chapter."

Although there were rumors that Chi Phi fraternity might not have enough members to keep its house, the University cannot decide the house's fate.

"Chi Phi is a non-University owned property, and as such, the decision to continue rests with their chapter and alumni, not the University," Remley said.

With Hunt Hall open again, there

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Black History Alive and kicking

Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian

Participants in Black History Alive took on the rolls of different, prominent black Americans. The event included a living tour and performance by the University gospel choir.

BY KRISTI JOHNSTON
Senior Writer

February is National Black History Month. The University honored the history and culture of black Americans both at the University and around the world by hosting its annual Black History Alive event.

Many attended the event, which was held at 7th Street House, including students, faculty, staff and community members. The event included a living tour and a performance by the University gospel choir.

The tour included a look at the movie "Amistad," which tells the story of a revolt aboard a slave ship. The next stop featured Associate Professor of History Leslie Patrick portraying Harriet Tubman, leading the way north to freedom on the Underground Railroad. Associate Professor of History Richard Waller and Jessica Morris '03 also partook in the event.

Participants then presented the stories of several black historical figures, such as Crispus Atticks, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity founder Elder Watson Diggs, Ida B. Wells and Bill Cosby. The group also presented the histories of several black University alumni.

"We have history here at [the University]," said Garry Thaniel '03, resident assistant of 7th Street house. "Even though we go here, we don't know a lot about it."

Thaniel also said that Martin Luther King Jr.'s biography was presented on the alumni floor because the legend spoke at the University in 1958, a fact that many students did not know.

Following the tour, visitors had the opportunity to eat and listen to the gospel choir under the direction of Tim Johnson '04.

Organizers of the event were happy with this year's attendance.

"This year's turnout was really good. Every time I looked up there was another last tour," Kellen Smith '03 said. "I was really glad to see all types of people from professors to administration to custodians to students to Lewisburg people there."

Smith was also impressed with the enthusiasm of the crowds.

"Everyone was really impressed with the information about the black Bucknellians, which is something that is different from previous years," she said.

"I was happy [with the turnout] because it was such a tiring process," Thaniel said. "It was great to see the support of the Greek community, as well as other students and administrators."

Thaniel stressed that Black History Alive was the culmination of a group effort. "We have such a diverse group of residents [at 7th Street house]," he said. "We came together, regardless of race. I was really proud of everyone."

Black History Alive is part of the month-long celebration of black history, sponsored by Brothers and Sisters Empowered, the gospel choir, Kappa Alpha Psi, the Office of Multicultural Affairs and various professors.

BSG proposes ideas for swipe card uses

Digital cable television in dorms and professor feedback are also in the works

BY JENNIFER JENCHURA
Senior Writer

Digital cable, new uses for student identification cards and student feedback on professors top the agenda of the Bucknell Student Government (BSG). Working with the University to increase the amount of new technology available for student conveniences such as laundry swipe cards and digital cable are the focus of the new BSG administration this year.

Digital cable: entering the 21st century

"Academically related, in all the classrooms there are projectors and computers with PowerPoint. We want some of this new technology for students' everyday usage, too," BSG President Katy Timer '04 said.

Students have been fighting for cable TV for a long time. Although cable has been an issue on campus for the past four years, it is now more feasible than it has been.

This semester, BSG is investigating what price students would be willing to pay for cable. Each dorm's television ratio is different, which makes it more difficult to determine a general student consensus on the issue.

"I know the cable issue seems like it has been going on forever, but we are getting closer," Timer said.

Timer said that with the tightening of budgets around the University, "These technology issues are a longshot and not within the next couple of months."

Over the years, the idea of cable has moved from a moral issue to a cost issue.

"The decision not to have cable used to be a purely pedagogical issue, wanting students to focus on academics. However, cable now offers so much, including many educational options. It also allows students to be in touch with the world outside. Post-9/11 students have expressed they feel disconnected from the world," Associate Dean of Students and BSG Advisor Kari Conrad said.

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Public Safety Log

Sunday, Feb. 2

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION/ PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS—While on routine patrol, Public Safety observed a male assisting a female walking by Kappa Delta Rho Fraternity. Upon investigation, it was determined the female was a student who had consumed alcohol although under the age of 21. The student was released into the custody of an R.A. and cited for underage consumption and public drunkenness.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION/ PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS—While on routine patrol, Public Safety observed a female walking with a staggered gait by the library. Upon investigation, it was determined that the female was a student who admitted to consuming alcohol although under the age of 21. She was released in the custody of an R.A. and cited for public drunkenness and underage consumption.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION/ OPEN CONTAINER VIOLATION—While on routine patrol, a Public Safety observed a male carrying a can of beer by Delta Upsilon Fraternity. When questioned, the male falsified his identify. East Buffalo Township Police Department responded to assist in identifying the individual and determined that the male was a student who had consumed alcohol although under the age of 21. He was cited for underage consumption, an ordinance violation and failure to comply.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—A Student Security worker reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) broke out a window pane in the front door of Vedder Hall. A work order was submitted for repair. The incident is under investigation.

Monday, Feb. 3

INFORMATION / VEHICLE ACCIDENT—A student reported to Public Safety an accident that had occurred on Jan. 20. The individual reported that while traveling north on Fraternity Road, her vehicle was struck by another student vehicle that was pulling out of Chi Phi Fraternity parking lot. There were no injuries and only student vehicle sustained minor damage. The operators exchanged insurance information.

TRESPASSING/ILLEGAL DUMPING—An employee reported to Public Safety that she observed several dead Canadian geese in a garbage dumpster at Bucknell West. Upon investigation, Public Safety determined there were 10 geese in the dumpster in plastic bags. The Pennsylvania Game Commission and East Buffalo Township Police Department responded and located a name of a local resident in one of the bags. Investigation continues referencing illegal dumping and trespassing by the resident.

ASSIST POLICE—Public Safety responded to the intersection of Route 15 and Route 45 to assist East Buffalo Police Department with traffic control at an accident scene.

Tuesday, Feb. 4

HARASSMENT BY COMMUNICATION—Public Safety responded to Trax Hall for the report of a student who was receiving harassing phone calls. The incident is under investigation.

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—A Public Safety Officer responded to a fire alarm at Delta Upsilon Fraternity on Feb. 1. Upon arrival, Public Safety observed two smoke detectors in the main hallway covered with styrofoam cups and one detector fallen from the ceiling. The cups were removed and the fraternity was cited for tampering with fire equipment.

Wednesday, Feb. 5

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—Public Safety responded to Vedder Hall for a fire alarm activation. Public Safety completed a room by room search for the cause of the alarm and discovered that a plastic cup had been used to cover the smoke detector inside a room. Empty beer cans and a beer case box were also found in the room. Public Safety determined that this room is occupied by students under the age of 21. Citations were issued for tampering with fire equipment and underage possession of alcohol.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT—An R.A. reported to Public Safety that there was loud music in a room in Smith Hall and that the residents would not open the door. The R.A. reported that the occupants of the room may have fled out the window. Upon arrival, Public Safety along with the R.A. keyed into the room and discovered no one was present inside the room. Citations were issued for disorderly conduct and failure to comply.

Thursday, Feb. 6

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—Public Safety responded to Smith Hall for the report of an ill student. A Student Health Services driver was paged to transport the female to Evangelical Hospital Emergency Room for treatment of an internal infection. The individual later returned to campus.

PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS/ UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION/MEDICAL TRANSPORT—Public Safety responded to Vedder Hall for the report of an unconscious student. Upon arrival, Public Safety determined that the student had vomited in the stairwell, was highly intoxicated and was under the age of 21. The individual was transported by ambulance to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room and later returned to campus. Citations issued for underaged consumption and public drunkenness.

INFORMATION/BIAS RELATED GRAFFITI—Public Safety responded to Bucknell West for the report of bias-related graffiti written on the front and rear windows of two cars. The vehicle owners were contacted by Public Safety. An employee removed the graffiti before the owners responded.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) did remove her computer from her unlocked room at Roberts Hall. The incident is under investigation.

Friday, Feb. 7

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student contacted Public Safety and requested transportation to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment as recommended by the University physician. A Student Health Services driver transported the individual who later returned to campus.

VEHICLE ACCIDENT—Public Safety responded to the intersection of Dent Drive and Stadium Road for the report of a student vehicle that struck the curb and a traffic sign. There were no injuries and minor property damage.

Saturday, Feb. 8

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—Public Safety responded to Smith Hall for a fire alarm activation caused by a pull station that was activated by unknown person(s) for no apparent reason. The incident is under investigation.

INFORMATION / DISORDERLY CONDUCT—Public Safety responded to Swartz Hall to speak with a student who reported that he observed three males yelling loudly and kicking over a trash can near Vedder Circle. No one was located in a check of the area and the over turned can was set upright.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—Public Safety responded to the front of the Langone Center to assist East Buffalo Police Department. Upon arrival, Public Safety determined that one student and two visitors had admitted that they consumed alcohol although under the age of 21. Citations issued for underage consumption.

ACCIDENT—Public Safety responded to Bucknell West for the report of a student who had lost control of his vehicle and struck three parked student vehicles. East Buffalo Township Police Department responded and determined that the driver was not intoxicated. East Buffalo Township Police Department compiled insurance information, which was provided to all vehicle owners.

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—A student security aide reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) discharged a fire extinguisher at Roberts Hall for no apparent reason. The incident is under investigation.

INFORMATION / PROPERTY DAMAGE—While on routine assignment, Public Safety observed that the facility sign at the RAC Center was damaged, possibly by the wind. A work order was filed to repair the sign.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) entered his unlocked Bucknell West residence and removed frozen food items from his freezer. The incident is under investigation.

Creamer's success helps team and program grow

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saying, 'Are you always in here?' She replied, 'Yeah, most of the time,' before continuing to take jump shots. I thought at that time that she was going to be something special because of all the time and effort she put into it."

Birdsong was right and the Orange and Blue program has grown from a good program to championship-caliber. All of Creamer's hard work paid off last season when the squad won the Patriot League title and a berth to the NCAA Tournament for the first time in the program's history.

"If I was asked to pick an achievement to be remembered by, it was being a part of the first team who won the Patriot League Championship for our program," Creamer said. "And to have been here when the program was really building. I was part of a true team because we achieved success and escaped adversity by playing hard and playing together, which is what [basketball] is all about."

In fact, Creamer still carries an amazing work ethic and love for the game that serve as inspiration to her teammates.

"She is a great leader in so many ways. Molly is so motivational and has so much desire to win and become the best that she can be," center Kristin Valdner '04 said. "She is in the gym on days off, before practice, after practice, to work on every aspect of her game. She has improved her game each day of each year I have been with her. Mols is such an inspiring person with a great heart, a great mind, a great work ethic and a great skill of playing the game of basketball."

Her outstanding work ethic has become infectious over the years. This year is no exception, as Creamer has mentored many of the young Bison in practice.

"I would probably attribute my growth as a player to both the veteran players and the coaches," starter Lindsey Geosits '06 said. "The level that I go against in practice every day is so much better than anything I have ever experienced. Going against Creamer and [senior Kate] Franks in practice makes going out against other players in the league so much easier."

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>
> *—Molly Creamer '03*

Teammate Gabrielle Miskinis '06 echoes the sentiment.

"Molly is a pillar of strength for everyone on the team," Miskinis said. "She is always upbeat and positive and has a kind word for anyone she talks to. She will do anything you ask of her in a heartbeat, without any thought about herself."

When Creamer is helping her teammates or sharing a memory with them is when she is at her happiest, and there is no teammate that Creamer is closer to than co-captain Franks. The two have built the program together, playing beside each other in 108 straight contests. Out on the court, it appears that they are reading each other's minds, and that feeling is no coincidence to Franks.

"On and off the court (Molly) has your back at all times," Franks said. "She is an amazing leader and anyone can learn from her by just looking at how she gets after herself."

Creamer is equally thankful for Franks' presence on the court.

"Franks epitomizes a team player and the heart of a champion," Molly said. "She has meant so much to the program, but I am so grateful to have her with me for the past four years."

Molly Creamer is someone that the Bucknell Community can look up to as a true sports idol. Though her outstanding achievements may seem untouchable, she has touched the lives of everyone around her in a way that will far outlive her records.

"When I look back at basketball, it will never be about certain 'accomplishments,'" Creamer said. "It will be about the adversity you overcome with your team, the teammates you played with and the lifelong friends you have made the memories with."

Catch Creamer and the Bucknell women's basketball team (9-12, 4-5 in the Patriot League) in action Sunday as they return to Sojka Pavilion to battle league rival Navy. Tipoff is scheduled for 2 p.m., and the game will be broadcast on ESPN 2.

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News

Bucknell Brigade travels to Nicaragua

By Jason Oster
Staff Writer

The Bucknell Brigade was founded by students on this campus five years ago after Hurricane Mitch devastated the capital city of Managua, Nicaragua. Since then, the Bucknell Brigade has sent two delegations per year to Managua to help the people resettle the village of Nueva Vida. Nueva Vida is a settlement community for people whose homes were flooded around Lake Managua after the hurricane. In the past five years, University students have joined with other people from around the world to ease the resettlement of the 15,000 people currently living in the community of Nueva Vida.

Jubilee House is the agency that hosts University students on each trip to Nicaragua. This is where the students stay and eat while working in Nueva Vida.

Among the jobs the Brigade performed while in Nueva Vida was constructing a new roof for the newly-built living quarters of volunteers that come to stay at the Jubilee House. For two and a half days, the students along with Assistant Professor of Civil Engineering Mike Toole, worked in 98 degree weather.

This was not the only project that the University students took on. Some worked in a pharmacy, and others worked at a clinic helping Director of Student Health Services Dr. Donald Stechschulte. Most of the students who worked at the clinic were already fluent in Spanish. Those students helped to translate and took the height and weight of the Nicaraguans who sought health care at the expanding clinic.

The students explored Managua and other areas of this Central American country. Traveling around on an old school bus, they had the opportunity to visit local markets, monuments to others who have volunteered their time and energy in Nicaragua and old cathedrals. Some members of the Brigade had the pleasure of climbing an extinct volcano outside of Managua.

The students visited a coffee plantation in the mountains. The plantation, named El Porvenir, does not produce enough coffee beans to sell to large corporations such as Starbucks. Instead, they must sell to smaller, privately owned businesses for less money. The Bucknell Brigade brought back bags with them, and the coffee is just one of the items the Brigade is selling as a fundraiser available at the Samek Art Gallery. The coffee was purchased directly from the worker-owned Manual Jose Lopez co-operative in El Porvenir, Nicaragua, and it was roasted at La Prima Roasting Company in Pittsburgh, Pa. It sells for $10 a pound. The proceeds go to a small worker-owned co-operative in the Northwestern Mountains of Nicaragua to help the 15 farmers of the co-operative help feed their families.

The Brigade is not only trying to raise funds, but they wish to obtain certain over-the-counter products and prescription medicines to take back with them to Nicaragua, including prenatal vitamins, cough drops, aspirin, toothbrushes, toothpaste, bandages and splints. Some prescription medicines that would be well-received by the Brigade are antibiotics, decongestants, eye drops and rehydration medicines. These are just some of the items on the Bucknell Brigade's Wish List. For the full list contact Director of Service Learning Janice Butler. All donations may be taken to the Student Health Center.

Butler accompanied the students to the University and will try to sell items they brought back from Nicaragua to help the Brigade on future voyages to Central America.

"It was a pleasure working with the January student crew and I recommend this trip to all students who wish to travel and who want to learn about other cultures," Butler said.

Christian Decker '04 enjoyed making a difference as a member of the Brigade.

"Actually doing the work and a feeling of accomplishment [was the best part of the Brigade]. Knowing I helped people and somehow made a difference in the world," Decker said. "I also learned what I was capable of and how well I have it and the things that we as Americans take for granted. I saw how most of the world and Third World countries live."

Decker said the trip was a culture shock, but he would do it again.

"The Brigade is a great program and one of the better opportunities Bucknell offers simply because it is such a worthy cause," Decker said.

Jeremy Snyder '05 also went on the January trip to Nicaragua. He is an intern who works on the Brigade Web site, which is www.orgs.bucknell.edu/brigade. Snyder said that by going to Nicaragua he learned that Americans are pretty sheltered when it comes to understanding the living situations of developing nations.

"Not only [did I enjoy] leaving what we know as the 'Bucknell bubble,' but also leaving the American bubble. It is amazing just how different the rest of the world lives," Snyder said. "It gave me hope in America that there are some people who want to defy our stereotypes as being indifferent to other countries' poverty and misfortune."

Snyder advises other students going on the Brigade to remember the experience.

"Take film and lots of it because you're going to see some amazing things. And definitely people and things that you would never see at Bucknell," Snyder said.

The Brigade is a great experience, and the students learned and had fun while working to make some people's lives better. The next trip that the Brigade plans to make is over spring break, from March 8-16. For those students who want to have a great time, help some amazing people and learn about a culture completely different from their own, the Brigade could be a great opportunity.

Photo courtesy of Public Relations

University students pass a bucket while working on the construction of a new living quarters in Nueva Vida. The Brigade makes biannual trips to Nicaragua to help the town that was devastated by Hurricane Mitch five years agao.

World Briefs

Compiled by Elisabeth Salemme
Courtesy of MSNBC.COM

Korea in breach of nuclear agreements

VIENNA, Austria—The International Atomic Energy Agency on Wednesday reported North Korea to the U.N. Security Council for violating international obligations on nuclear weapons. In an emergency closed door meeting in Vienna, the nuclear watchdog's 35-nation board of governors deemed North Korea in "noncompliance" after months of discussions with Pyongyang. Since October the regime has become increasingly brazen about its nuclear ambitions, and has kicked out U.N. monitors.

Pentagon calls up 38,000 reservists

WASHINGTON—The number of reservists and National Guardsmen mobilized for active duty has increased by 38,649 since last week, the Pentagon said Wednesday. The total on active duty now stands at just over 150,000 men and women called to serve as the United States continues its buildup for a possible war against Iraq.

Poll: United States concerned about smallpox

A Florida woman suffered what is believed to be the first averse reaction to the smallpox vaccine since the voluntary program started nationwide last month. Despite its many risks, the majority of Americans are concerned about the possibility of a smallpox attack and would choose to get the inoculation, an Associated Press poll indicated.

Ebola outbreak suspected in Congo

BRAZZAVILLE, Republic of Congo—Nearly 50 people have been killed in the Congo Republic by an outbreak of suspected Ebola virus thought to be linked to the consumption of infected monkey meat, health authorities said Wednesday.

Evening Calendar

Feb. 14 FRI

Peacetime Silent Vigil
Uphill LC
Noon

Hilltop Film Series:
"Derzu Uzala"
Vaughan Lit. Auditorium
4:30 & 8 p.m.

"The Vagina Monologues"
Harvey Powers Theatre
5 p.m.

Shabbat Service and Dinner
Berelson Center
5:30 p.m.

Susquehanna Valley Mall Shuttle
Downhill LC
6 p.m.

Valentine's Dinner
LC 241, 252, Center Room & Terrace Room
6 p.m.

Men's Basketball vs. Navy
Sojka Pavilion
9 p.m.

A Capella Night
Bison
9 p.m.

"Fools Rush In"
LC Forum
10:30 p.m.

Alfred James Band
7th Street Café
11 p.m.

Feb. 15 SAT

Bucknell Winter Classic (Track)
All Day

Wal-Mart Shuttle
Downhill LC
3 & 6 p.m.

Susquehanna Valley Mall Shuttle
Downhill LC
3 & 6 p.m.

Catholic Mass
Rooke Chapel
5:30 p.m.

"The Vagina Monologues"
Harvey Powers Theatre
8 p.m.

Faculty Recital: Barry Hannigan (Piano)
Weis Music Building Recital Hall
8 p.m.

Singled Out
Bison
9 p.m.

Class of 2006 Dance
Terrace Room
9 p.m.

Karaoke Contest
Uptown
9:30 p.m.

"Sweet Home Alabama"
Vaughan Lit. Auditorium
10:30 p.m.

Feb. 16 SUN

Quaker Services
Willard Smith Library
9:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Interdenominational Worship Service
Rooke Chapel
11 a.m.

Episcopal Eucharist Service
Meditation Chapel
Noon

Women's Basketball vs. Navy
Sojka Pavilion
2 p.m.

Office of Service Learning Film
Gallery Theatre
7:30 p.m.

Catholic Mass
Rooke Chapel
4 p.m.

Sunday Night Prayer
LC 302
9 p.m.

Catholic Mass
Larison Dining Hall
10 p.m.

Feb. 17 MON

Qigong Class
Vedder Lounge
Noon

Mathematics Education Talks
Rooke Chemistry 116
Noon & 4 p.m.

Zen Meditation
Rooke Meditation Chapel
4 p.m.

Service Learning Film
Gallery Theatre
4:30 p.m.

Business Etiquette Workshop
Taylor 115
6:30 p.m.

Lecture: Nilgun Okur
Center Room
7 p.m.

Yoga Class
Walls Board Room
8 p.m.

Fitzwilliam String Quartet
Weis Recital Hall
8 p.m.

Feb. 18 TUE

Alcohol Workshop
LC Forum
8 a.m.

Paint Bucknell Pink Meeting
Hunt Hall Lounge
5 p.m.

Lecture: Martin Sklar
Carnegie 208
6 p.m.

Lecture: James Lavine
Olin 268
7 p.m.

Humanities Institute Lecture
Willard Smith Library
7:30 p.m.

"Yiddle With His Fiddle" (Poland 1937)
Coleman 221
7:30 p.m.

LGBT Film Series
Gallery Theatre
7:30 p.m.

Turkish Coffee Night
Taylor 115
8 p.m.

Feb. 19 WED

Qigong Classes
Walls Board Room
8 a.m.

Jumpstart
Biology Room 221
5 p.m.

RAD Classes
Hunt Hall Living Room
6 p.m.

Agnes Denes
Samek Art Gallery
Projects for Public Spaces
Jan. 24 to April 6

Women's Studies
Lecture: Shahnaz Kahn
LC Forum
7:30 p.m.

"Austin Powers in Goldmember"
Vaughan Lit. Auditorium
10:30 p.m.

Buzz Spector
Samek Art Gallery
Artist, Object, Installation
Feb. 2 to March 2

Feb. 20 THU

Alcohol Workshop
LC Forum
8 a.m.

Third World Film Series
"Trinkets and Beads"
Coleman 151
4 & 7 p.m.

30-Hour Famine
Hunger Banquet
Buttery & Terrace Room
5:30 p.m.

Lecture: Dan Flynn
LC Forum
7 p.m.

Let's Talk About Sex Forum
Hunt Hall Living Room
7 p.m.

"BarberShop" Movie & Discussion
Gallery Theatre
7 p.m.

The Robyn Helzer Trio
Weis Music Building Recital Hall
7:30 p.m.

Income Tax Workshop for Undergraduates
LC 217
8:30 p.m.

"the well"
Walls Board Room
8:30 p.m.

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News

SAE donates money to local charity

By Jeff Day
Staff Writer

The brotherhood of Sigma Alpha Epsilon (SAE) recently presented a check of over $6,000 to the Donald Heiter Community Center. Money was raised through the sale of $20 raffle tickets, representing the possibility of prizes including a diamond bracelet, flat screen television and $1,000 cash.

The Donald Heiter Community Center, located on North 5th Street in Lewisburg, is similar to a Boys and Girls Club that helps keep the local children active in a safe and enjoyable environment.

Philanthropy Chair Emory Strother '04 said that this year's response to duty was tremendous.

"For us, it was far more a matter of doing what we could, of genuinely committing our time and efforts to a cause without reservation, and without a finishing line, and I think that goal was met," Strother said.

Last year, SAE released slightly over $4,000 in raffle ticket sales, and used this amount as a benchmark for this year's efforts. Because of the hard work of many enthusiastic brothers, who took a strong initiative in this year's project, the brotherhood was able to surpass all previous charitable donations.

"The house's togetherness in supporting this event has given us confidence in our ability to make a difference and have an impact on other important causes we hope to support in the upcoming year," Strother said.

The raffle itself was the conclusion of the Chocolate Festival, an annual community event in which contestants enter chocolate deserts for judging. SAE became involved with the Chocolate Festival last year and wished to maintain their relationship with the event.

"Every year this is our favorite and most successful community service and philanthropy event, and we look forward to helping out next year," Charles Markey '04 said.

The Chocolate Festival was held on Feb. 1, and nearly all the members of SAE participated. The brotherhood contributed over 300 hundred hours of service to help run the event and partake in the cleanup effort.

Markey said SAE is currently organizing an all day Easter egg hunt for children of Lewisburg that will take place at the fraternity house. They also have plans to host a nonalcoholic dance party from which all proceeds will aid the University's Students Against Multiple Sclerosis group.

Other SAE events and news are described on its Web page: http://www.orgs.bucknell.edu/sae, according to which donations will benefit the Donald Heiter Community Center.

Housing

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will not be as much of a housing crunch as last year. As a result, Bucknell West will no longer have five students per Mod.

"That was only a temporary measure," Dean of Students Richard Ferraro said. "Next year we will go back to four students in a Mod."

By next year, renovations on Vedder Hall will be complete. One wing of the hall is currently being renovated, and the other half will be finished over the summer.

"Vedder has several problems which need to be corrected. It has problems with moisture, pipes and leakage. We are also going to remove asbestos and improve air conditioning," Ferraro said.

The University is now in a cycle of doing some major dormitory renovations every year.

"Prior to this past year, that cycle had been interrupted, and we had gone several years without a major renovation," Vice President of Student Affairs Charles Pollock '70 said. "Harris was renovated in the summer of '98, two wings of Swartz had been done in the summer of '99, but then we missed '00-'01. Now we're back into it."

Doing renovations in cycles helps save money.

"We try to put our buildings on a rotation so we keep up the quality. Certain schools that have not done that; and they get a very big check later on when all the buildings come due for renovations," Ferraro said.

Though many large dormitories are seeing renovations, smaller houses will not be neglected.

"Early drafts of Vision 2010 call for an accelerated timeline of renovations, not only to the major halls, but also to the small housing units like 7th Street House, Carey House and Edwards House, and maintenance of a tighter cycle once we get through this one," Pollock said.

Even though Vision 2010 calls for an accelerated timeline, funding still remains a question.

"These renovations, academic ideas and other physical plans all have to be integrated and prioritized and then held up against the resources available," Pollock said.

Giant proposal raises safety, environmental concerns

GIANT

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ed in the traffic study," Rural Route Neighbors leader Erica Shames said. "It's also our contention that the firm reviewing the traffic study, Gannett Fleming, may have a conflict of interest as they've done quite a bit of work for Giant in the past."

The Rural Route Neighbors contend that the increase in traffic volume, particularly on the back roads, will make recreational activities once enjoyed by residents living near these roads hazardous.

"The increased traffic resulting from large-scale development of this site on these rural routes will jeopardize the safety of our kids and the people—including the many Bucknell students—who utilize those roads for recreational purposes—from jogging and walking to bicycling," Shames said.

In its initial sketch plan, RVG Management and Development Company included plans for a traffic light to aid in traffic control, a proposal that must be processed through the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, not the township.

"Putting a light on Route 15 on or at the bottom of a slope that steep is suicide," Erica Shames said. "No matter what the season—but particularly in winter—coming to a stop there is virtually impossible," especially considering the many tractor-trailer rigs that utilize that road.

Illuminating the store is another concern of residents, especially those living in Fox Hollow, a development only 250 feet from the site.

Water runoff due to the proposed location at the peak of a hill, is also a concern of the Rural Route Neighbors. Residents are worried that the ground will not be able to support the increased water runoff from the hill based on the amount of land that will be covered with asphalt.

"The environmental impact of placing a store of this size on that property are so vast that the local chapter of the Sierra Club and Organizations United for the Environment—the group responsible for thwarting the building of a hazardous waste incinerator in nearby Allenwood—have come out in favor of RRN's position against this development," Shames said.

Observatory use threatened

According to Vice President of Student Affairs Charles Pollock '70, the University has taken no official position on the development of the Giant supermarket and fueling station, but is conscious of the many voices of opposition, both in town and on campus.

Of concern to the University, and particularly the physics department, is the impact of the proposed Giant on the observatory, which potentially would be affected by light pollution on its southwest side. Nighttime use of the observatory would be primarily disturbed if the store was open 24 hours.

According to Associate Professor of Physics Ned Ladd, the physics department wrote a letter to the East Buffalo Township supervisors expressing concern about the limitations they may result from the store last fall recommending that the builder install "responsible lighting," which would alleviate any potential problems.

Responsible lighting involves both reducing the total amount of light generated and eliminating any excess light in areas that do not need to be lit, according to Ladd.

"Both of these issues can be addressed with properly shielded or 'hooded' lighting," Ladd said. "This type of light fixture directs the light in a fairly controlled beam to the areas that should be lit."

Utilizing responsible lighting, although marginally more expensive to install, would lower energy costs because the lighting is more focused and would require in a lower wattage bulbs.

Giant Public Relations Representative Denny Hopkins, confirmed that the store, like most Giant supermarkets, will be open 24 hours, but, according to Hopkins, the Giant corporate office has been aware of the light pollution concern since the beginning stages of development, and has successfully dealt with similar lighting challenges in the past.

"Giant is considering lighting that will not conflict with the observatory," Hopkins said. "We have had experience in directing light away from unwanted areas in other situations."

According to Ladd, if Giant does not cooperate with requests for responsible lighting, the light pollution will be difficult to diminish.

"We have some filters which help to block out light pollution without also blocking too much of the light from celestial sources, but we can never fully mitigate the effects of an artificially brightened night sky," Ladd said.

A complicated past

The Rural Route Neighbors was formed almost immediately after the community first learned that there was a sketch plan submitted to East Buffalo Township.

Violet Gallagher, a Rural Route Neighbor steering committee member told *The Bucknellian* last fall that RVG Management and Development Company submitted this initial sketch plan to the East Buffalo Township zoning officer as a Conditional Use Plan, a requirement when more than one building is proposed. Under normal circumstances, the zoning officer would review the plan and submit it to the township planning commission. The planning commission would then makes a recommendation to the township supervisor and a hearing is held.

The planning commission recommended that the township supervisor accept the plan, but the plan was withdrawn before a public hearing could be held because this plan was withdrawn once townspeople were informed of the plan and began protesting.

At this point, the nature of the development was unspecified, although townspeople suspected that it would be a Giant supermarket based on information from the Web site of the developer and a sign depicting the Giant logo on the development plan.

According to *The Daily Item*, the proposed building site was partially zoned as residential property until two years ago when the landowners, the Jon Lewis family, petitioned East Buffalo Township to zone some of the property for highway commercial development.

The Rural Route Neighbors contend that the zoning transfer was illegal, and are currently appealing township, further delaying Giant's preliminary plans.

"It [the appeal] is based on evidence we've uncovered that shows that improper procedures were followed when the property was rezoned. There is a stay on the property—no development can proceed—at least until a final decision is made," Shames said.

Both the zoning board meeting, in which the township will announce the outcome of the zoning appeal by Rural Route Neighbors and the planning commission meeting, during which the announcement will be made if Township land ordinances have been met will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Feb. 26 at Eichorn Middle School.

A questionable future

Despite the recent plan submissions by Giant, the Rural Route Neighbors said that they will continue to challenge the development.

"Rural Route Neighbors plan to keep Giant tied up in legal proceedings for a long time to prevent them from building a store on a site that is obviously inappropriate for safety, environmental and quality-of-life reasons," Shames said.

According to Hopkins, Giant has listened to all of the concerns of the Rural Route Neighbors and is trying to reach agreements that will please both parties.

"We are trying to reach a win-win situation on both sides," Hopkins said. "Our goal is to be a good community neighbor."

According to Shames, the Rural Route Neighbors are not opposed to construction on the Lewis property, provided that the development would not threaten the residential or environmental safety of the area.

"We would like to see the front portion [of the Lewis property] house a one- or two-story office building, professional building or some other commercial establishment that would not have the negative environmental, safety and quality-of-life impact development of this magnitude would have on this community," Shames said.

Rural Route Neighbors also invite Giant into their community, but feel that a location further north or south on Route 15 or further west on Route 45 would be more practical.

"Bottom line: We welcome Giant to Lewisburg on any other site but this one," Shames said.

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News

BSG looks to make campus improvements

BSG

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Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian

BSG is looking to make many improvements on campus such as using swipe cards for laundry. Other ideas for advances include digital cable in dorm rooms, professor feedback and the addition of a permanent uphill eatery.

makes it more difficult to determine a general student consensus on the issue.

"In new McDonnell Hall there is one TV for 19 students, but in Vedder there is one TV for the whole building of 367 residents. To determine students' interest in cable is crucial. Students should have confidence in their student representatives and share their opinions," Assistant Dean of Students, Director of Housing and Residential Life Dan Remley said.

It has been established that cable has its academic merits, but students cannot get local channels or basic reception in their dorm.

"It is the belief of the student representation that cable television is an imminent need—with professors asking students to watch documentaries, MSNBC, CNN, History Channel and various other educational programs, in addition to climactic moments in our country's history such as presidential elections, the events of Sept. 11, the Olympic Games, the constant coverage on the war against terrorism and others, one TV for 400 students—such as the situation in Swartz Hall—is clearly insufficient," said Laura Day, '03 Senior Class president and former fiscal committee BSG Chair.

Day began the fight for cable as a first-year student and brought the committee's ideas to the president for his support. This year BSG will tell the trustees about students' desires for cable.

"The initiative to get cable television in all dorm rooms on campus began four years ago with the Fiscal Sub-Committee of BSG," Day said. "The Fiscal Committee produced an extensive document that included an enumeration of our reference schools that had cable, possible funding sources, contending cable packages and technology sources, lists of advantageous reasons to have cable on campus, etc. The committee then took its proposal to Vice President Pollock, Dean Remley of OHRL and representatives of Physical Plant. This process took the first year plus."

With the support of the president's staff, BSG representatives and key players on campus created the Task Force for Cable Television on Campus. They spent the last year and a half researching different technologies to bring cable television to all dorms and have recently decided on the best option. The goal of the task force is to present to the Board of Trustees in April a feasible, affordable and persuasive proposal for cable television.

Although with support from both students and from the Bucknell Parents' Board, the task force still recognizes the upcoming challenges of their struggle.

In a BSG survey, 94 percent of all students advocated for cable TV. This grassroots support has been instrumental in the process for getting cable TV on campus," Day said. "Although the Parents Board and the student body endorse cable TV, the Board of Trustees must ultimately find cable's appropriate—both educational and co-curricular—role in its Vision 2010 plan."

Cable access may be a standard feature of every dorm room within the next two years.

"Pending approval of both the moral and philosophical idea of cable TV and the fiscal implications of such an endeavor, the task force hopes to have a pilot program this upcoming school year in select dorms," Day said. "Upon successful completion of the test program, cable will be installed in all dorms for the 2004-05 school year."

Due to the increasing obsolescence of analog cable, the University will not be installing wires for the same type of cable currently available in the Mods and Gateways. A new cable package would offer digital cable through an Internet connection that could be accessed all over campus, including wireless laptops.

Costs for cable television include the content packages, pertinent individual equipment and possibly initial head-end equipment. The task force anticipates a modest increase in everyone's room fee to cover the costs, as cable access will not be optional. The price of cable would be slightly more than the average per person cost of the cable package offered in the Mods and Gateways and may also include more channels.

According to Remley, adding cable access to individual dorm rooms will not hurt the current cable access found in student lounges.

"The lounge TVs will still be supported, but in the future you may be able to type on your computer while watching TV on your computer while also watching a regular TV," Remley said.

Do you take BUID?

The University will be redoing student identification cards in the summer of 2004 in an effort to increase security.

The administration wants to stop using the current system so students are not recognized by their social security number. In the long run this is for their protection. It is unclear as to the exact makeup of the new card, though instead of a magnetic strip it may contain a chip that will increase its versatility.

With the approval of the new card, BSG is working quickly to coincide the new changes in the swipe cards with student desires to use their cards in other venues. Possible options for the new card include laundry, food and copying vending.

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> ***—Dan Remley,*** *director of housing and residential life*

"We feel swipe cards are an important issue for students and BSG is developing a plan for swipe cards," Timer said.

Although approved in the fall, BSG realized the definitive card changes just two weeks ago when Timer invited Director of Technology Integration Brian Hoyt and Remley, both members of the University's Administration Computing Committee, to speak to BSG Congress on the technology issues involved in the cards and cable. They also discussed congress' support and student backing for the changes.

"Students need to decide what they want the card to do. My role is to help determine student interest and establish communication and provide feedback among various university constituents, including students," Remley said. "One idea or goal is to have a one-card system so that students won't have to carry around several cards for different uses. The services will all be contained onto one card."

In the future students may not have to buy an additional card to copy materials at the library.

Swipe cards are also a more permanent solution to the quarter crisis on campus. There are no change machines on campus.

"Change machines aren't going to happen. Swipe cards are a more long-term solution because then we don't have to use quarters at all," Timer said.

BSG representative Emily Rentschler '03 is the head of a committee that will work on swipe card technology and look into student interest.

"I attended University of Richmond my freshman year and they had a one-card system. The card was used as a meal card, a traditional declining balance card for dining services as we use it, but it was also used to pay for laundry, vending machines and food from local businesses. This was all done on a debit card type system. There was also the capability to use it at the bookstore and restaurant on campus like a debit card. The cards were also used as the key to get into the dorms (not individual rooms) on campus, as well as enter the gym," Rentschler said.

The committee will look at other issues such as a list of possible vendors and specifically how the fees will be charged.

"Emily's committee will investigate to see if students think the card should have separate declining balances at each venue or if laundry should be billed as to students' addresses like dorm damages," Timer said.

Finding the perfect match: Professor feedback

A more informative choice when it comes to choosing professors. BSG's goal of the recent student survey is to create a system that would enable student comments to be read before choosing a professor.

"The goal of the survey is to generate some feedback concerning what type of questions should be asked to students describing how a professor teaches. The goal is not to produce a ranking system, but rather a system that is more informative than the descriptions that are currently available on courses," Timer said

This way students can learn more about the different styles of professors—lecture based, discussion oriented, favorite thing from taking the class, multiple choice versus essay tests, etc.—so that students may gauge which professor's teaching style would be most suitable for a student.

Waiting for results

Conrad warns students not to be disgruntled about the slow speed of approval for BSG's goals.

"Although change is a slow-moving process, the great thing about the cable issue with BSG is its continuity. Oftentimes issues are dropped because of changes in the student administration and each administration prioritizes differently. On the issue of cable, BSG has been a consistent voice for students. The commitment [of BSG executives] to the student body is second to none," Conrad said.

Conrad points to the Bison Express as an example of how the process can work.

"An uphill eatery was talked about one year ago before the trailer got there," Conrad said.

Currently plans are to expand the Bison Express. After purchasing a new, bigger trailer for the Bison Express due to expensive utilities and aesthetic reasons, the University decided against docking it next to the library and plans to establish an eatery for the quad in the library.

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The Bucknellian Editorial

Memo: assassinating students' ideas

MEMO
To: Senior Administrators
From: Executioner of Student Initiatives
Subject: Our New "Five-Year Plan"

As we begin planning for the next fiscal year, I have taken the liberty of updating our Five-Year Plan. For those new members of our ever-changing administration, I will include some background facts about this plan. In the Five-Year Plan we dispose of all the good ideas our tuition-paying subjects propose to improve the quality of life on campus. The premise of this plan is deceptively simple: Since the common student only spends four years on campus, any improvement that the students want but we don't feel the need to pursue can be relegated to the Five-Year Plan. This way, we can forget about the initiative until the student graduates and we can then repeat this process with the next generation of enterprising student leaders.

The current Five-Year Plan contains four very good ideas whose implementation must be denied. It is therefore imperative that the administration continue to suppress the Bucknell Student Government (BSG). BSG is only powerful when it demands a seat at the proverbial decision-making table, and the Five-Year Plan continues to limit the amount of representation. Until students refuse to be excluded from this decision-making, we will be free to pursue any policy we desire.

Issues currently under the plan include the uphill eatery and cable TV. (In a bit of irony, we named the uphill eatery the "Bison Express" not because the food was prepared quickly, but because we cancelled the program so quickly after initiating it—here it is, there it goes). The eatery is now being "studied for further improvements" and cable TV is being "studied for feasibility." I for one find it amusing that we do more studying of student projects than the students do for their classes. Luckily for us, many of the most active and convincing proponents of cable TV are seniors this year, so we only have to stall for another four months until they graduate.

Our most recent addition to the plan is allowing students to use meal credits in the Bison on weekends. This concept has existed since before I came to the University. To forestall the growing momentum for its permanent implementation, we decided to try the idea out on a "trial basis." As many of you may know, the trial basis is a great way to delay saying no to an idea. Once the trial basis is over, we will need to spend semesters studying what happened during the trial basis, how to fix the associated problems and how we would go about implementing a new policy. By then so many variables will have changed that the conclusions drawn from this trial basis will no longer be valid, and we can begin the process all over again with a new trial sometime around 2008.

Finally, there is a new issue that is demanding of our attention. The concept of expanding declining balance accounts to be able to pay for laundry and food in town is in danger of being implemented soon. While we are usually able to stall new ideas for at least one year before pretending to be considering them for a second year, this initiative was too well organized to allow us that option.

Members of BSG sought out local businesses in town and worked out other logistics before they came and formally proposed the idea to us. The concept makes too much sense to dismiss directly, the logistics appear to work and the idea has overwhelming student support; in short, this is the most outrageous idea to come to our attention in quite a while.

I am bereft of ideas to stop or even slow down this proposal and would appreciate any help you can give in obstructing this competitive threat to our monopoly at the Bison and Caf.

On many of these points, I have been disturbed to hear of certain members of the administration who favor implementing these ideas and some who are even working with students. I urge those "student-sympathizers" to cease aiding the enemy.

Letters *to the editor*

President George W. Bush should learn from Irish conflict

An open letter to U.S. President George W. Bush

Dear Mr. President:

Although I understand that you are very busy these days, I encourage you to watch a recent feature film "Bloody Sunday" for the lessons that this event, a watershed in the sectarian conflict in Northern Ireland, may teach regarding your planned military action in Iraq.

Prior to Bloody Sunday (Jan. 30, 1972), in which 13 unarmed Catholic civilian civil-rights marchers were killed by British paratroopers (sent, ostensibly, to keep the peace) in Derry, Northern Ireland, the Irish Republican Army (IRA) numbered fewer than 100 active members. Within weeks of these killings, the ranks of the IRA swelled well beyond all previous proportions.

It is fair to say that the military action by the British on Bloody Sunday created or, at the very least, revived the modern IRA. This horrendous blunder on the part of the British government had the direct result of ENCOURAGING and PROMOTING terrorism. As a result, more than 3,000 people have died in the last 30 years in a tiny country of 2 million.

Making war against Iraq is likely to produce the same result, albeit on a global scale, with the result that we will be LESS secure than ever before. I urge you to reconsider the course of action you have planned or, at the very least, to think through more carefully its likely consequences.

You will not root out terrorism by attacking Iraq. Rather, you will create considerably more enmity toward our country than currently exists, thereby INCREASING the very motivation that produces terrorism in the first place.

Frankly, I am surprised that Prime Minister Blair has not learned this lesson, since the United Kingdom is still suffering from the consequences of ill-informed military actions taken on its own people more than 30 years later. Perhaps you might ask him about this the next time the two of you discuss our respective international policies.

Making war against Iraq is likely to produce the same result, albeit on a global scale, with the result that we will be LESS secure than ever before. I urge you to reconsider the course of action you have planned or, at the very least, to think through more carefully its likely consequences.

Sincerely,
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The Savilla experience

To the Editor:

I recently received your letter introducing *The Bucknellian*. Ironically the same day Dick Nelson, a friend, gave me a copy of the Jan. 24 issue containing the article on Sevilla, Spain by Meghann Peace. The reason he did this is because my son, Neal, is currently spending his Spring Semester in Sevilla. Neal is a junior at The University of Pittsburgh, majoring in Spanish.

I thought the article was very well written and gave me a good appreciation for why Neal is so enthusiastic about the experience. Please pass on my appreciation to Meghann for the excellent job she did on that article. My wife, Sue, and I are in the process of planning a trip to visit Neal at the end of his semester in May. If Meghann has any suggestions on how to enhance that experience, we would like to hear from her.

Thank you for your efforts to improve communications with the community.

Sincerely,
Keith Smalley

Susan B Anthony was a champion for all Americans

To the Editor:

I would like to wish Susan B. Anthony a happy birthday on Feb. 15. That day commemorates the 183rd anniversary of her birth.

Most people recognize the name "Susan B. Anthony" as that of the great women's rights campaigner. She was indeed instrumental in helping women achieve the right to vote in 1920.

Anthony was opposed to slavery and legal prostitution. She believed everyone should have the right to vote. Anthony believed that all people should be treated equally and she made no exception for the unborn; she was opposed to abortion. It is often unreported in history that Anthony held such strong pro-life views.

That is why I'm writing to you today in honor of her birthday. I want everyone to know that Anthony was not just a champion for women, but also a champion for the unborn.

Happy birthday, Susan B. Anthony!

Sincerely,
Ann K. Rosko '05

Health Center performs admirably in parent's eyes

To the Editor:

On behalf of Nicholas Mauritz '06, I want to thank the staff at the University Health Center for all the kindness and professionalism you showed to my son this past semester. In addition, I would like to thank the staff for all their assistance, information and encouragement that was offered to Nick's dad and me during this trying period.

Being 7.5 hours from home, the staff was able to answer our questions and calm our anxiety. Although, you were all very busy, you welcomed our calls as if nothing in the world was more important than Nick. I will be forever grateful for your kindness. Had Nick not been properly diagnosed by the Health Center, I can not even imagine what the result may have been.

The Health Center is crucial to the students at Bucknell University and I hope that the center continues to receive the praise and recognition from the University, that is so rightfully deserves. As a parent, I am confident that Nick is being well taken care of. I look forward to thanking the staff in person, once I return to Bucknell.

Sincerely,
Jamie Mauritz James '81

Good Luck John inspires student's song

To the Editor:

I read about Good Luck John in a recent issue of *The Bucknellian*, and I felt compelled to write in. I'm sure he'd be heartened to know that there are a lot of people who are concerned about him, and wish him well. In fact, the article about his poor health has been traveling around the Bucknell University alumni e-mail circuit, and arrived in my inbox last weekend.

I actually wrote a song about John last year, inspired by John's optimism, sincerity and resolve. I thought it might cheer him up to hear it (bad singing usually cheers people up).

Do you think someone on *The Bucknellian* staff would deliver it to him?

Sincerely,
Pete Latshaw '95

***Editor's note**: Special thanks to Mail Services Supervisor Art Moser for visiting John in the hospital and delivering Latshaw's song. John is now at the Kramm Nursing Home in Room 55 on Mahoning Street in Milton, Pa. 17847. He will be there for a period of time until a room is available at Riverwood's Nursing Home in Lewisburg in order to be closer to Lewisburg's churches, which is what he wants. John has been very talkative and loves visits, and he has much to share. Latshaw's song about John is available to the public online at http://www.orgs.bucknell.edu/bucknellian/john.htm.*

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Opinions

Diversity is more than skin deep

By Aaron Hanlon
Senior Writer

For so many years I have been under the impression that the soul of diversity shines with the distinct characteristics and qualities of people and the benefits thereof. Perhaps it was wishful thinking, optimism or denial that led me to believe such things. Now, with each passing day, I am reminded that our "diversity" is not a celebration of differences, but a surreptitiously created state of exclusivity. The practice of "diversification" is an exercise in racial discrimination whereby race and genealogy are paramount and take priority over merit.

If you are "American Indian," "Asian or Pacific Islander," "African-American" or "Hispanic," you are a "minority." No matter how intelligent, talented, charismatic, athletic or cultured you are, many people in the University community will not look beyond the pseudo-merit of your race to see your true value as a person. If you are "white" or "non-minority," you will be assessed equally as much by your race, only that assessment will suggest that you are of lesser value because your skin color is not as unique in a society of people whose skin colors are mostly pinkish. So when the University community celebrates diversity, rest assured that many are not interested in the unique talents and characteristics that make each one of us invaluable. Many concern themselves with race in an effort to vaunt their supposed concern over the disadvantages of being in a melanin minority.

This sort of thinking is built upon a foundation of assumptions that is nothing less than racist. As the multiculturalist theory goes, attracting and pandering to the race-related interests of selected minorities yields greater diversity. This is the case because people with black skin think alike, people of Asian heritage think alike, people of Hispanic decent think alike, Native Americans think alike and people with white skin, regardless of their heritage, all think alike.

A community is said to be more diverse if it has a greater mix of people with different skin colors and ethnicities. The fallacy of this school of thought is blatantly obvious: Race most certainly does not account for differences (or diversity) in human personality. Though cultural upbringing does, you cannot determine people's cultural upbringings by looking at the particular "ethnicity" box they checked on their college applications. Likewise, offering a special recruitment weekend for "minority" students will not guarantee a diverse group of individuals simply because they have different skin color. Alluding to a recent announcement about "minority" prelaw recruiting at Georgetown University, it is quite possible to have people of vastly different races show up, all of whom are interested in ... you guessed it ... going to law school. How diverse. To state it in simplest terms: You cannot learn anything about diversity or human personality by inquiring about skin color or suggesting that race is a major contributing factor to healthy, meaningful diversity.

When we seek a form of diversity that is rooted in racial labeling, we are only perpetuating the race problem .... We are assigning individuals—full of depth; full of value; full of life—to shallowly and narrowly defined racial identities that hardly ever fit.

Ethnic "minorities" are not the only people whose most important qualities are disregarded by the multiculturalist quest for diversity. Just as, for example, a "black" person from New York is pigeonholed into the same category as a distinctly different "black" person from London as a result of racial labeling, "white" people of different cultural backgrounds are now considered the same.

According to the ideology behind "diversity" quotas and "diversity" enhancement programs, "white" people cannot be diverse (unless they are homosexual or non-Christian). Though there exists in reality an extraordinary diversity of cultural, socioeconomic and ideological backgrounds within each and every race represented at the University, it is often suggested that "whites" simply cannot understand the concepts of diversity and minority status.

As Assistant Professor of English Tish Crawford is quoted in "The Demand for Diversity" in the January 2003 edition of Bucknell World, "Most white students are unable to see below the surface" (when "black" students react strongly or seemingly overreact to offensive behavior). Similarly, Kellen Smith '03 , quoted in the same article, said, "It's not that they're racist, but they're ignorant about minorities. When they talk to a black student, they make certain assumptions."

Please, please forgive me of my assumed ignorance. Ironically, Crawford and Smith's commentaries are exemplary of the exact kinds of assumptions that are made by the "diversity" camp at the University: Skin color alone determines what kinds of attitudes and assumptions are made about different people. While commenting on alleged assumptions made by "whites" about "blacks" or "minorities," Crawford and Smith have made very bold and equally racist assumptions about "non-minorities." They have assumed that "whites" or "non-minorities" are too ignorant or not perceptive enough to understand the plight of being in the minority.

"There is no such thing as "black" and "white" in the racial and racist context in which we throw such labels around. True diversity is about talents, interests, personality, experiences and ideas, none of which are contingent upon any particular race."

This is merely one of many public indications that a substantial portion of the University community's "diversity" camp truly feels that "whites" or "non-minorities" are a homogenous group that is incapable of understanding concepts of diversity and minority status. Is it possible that in the aggregate experiences of all "whites" throughout history, not one has ever experienced the feelings of frustration or alienation associated with being in the minority?

I was fortunate enough to stumble upon a highly offensive and surprisingly useful history text, "How the Irish Became White," by Noel Ignatiev of Harvard University. Ignatiev's text is essentially about how Irish emigrants to America were considered, in their former Ireland and during their early years in America, as destitute a group as were "blacks." Irish "whites," now considered to be "an oppressing race," were once very much an "oppressed" race.

Ignatiev's discussion was of particular interest to me because the oppressive/oppressed (who knows which?) Irish are my ancestors. How did I become an oppressor? Igantiev has a fantastic answer to this question: "People are members of different races because they have been assigned to them."

There is no such thing as "black" and "white" in the racial and racist context in which we throw such labels around. True diversity is about talents, interests, personality, experiences and ideas, none of which are contingent upon any particular race. When we seek a form of diversity that is rooted in racial labeling, we are only perpetuating the race problem that Ignatiev describes in his book: We are assigning individuals—full of depth; full of value; full of life—to shallowly and narrowly defined racial identities that hardly ever fit.

As I look around, I see a tremendous amount of people who are unhappy with their assignments, and the racial perceptions that they entail. I see a tremendous amount of talented, interesting and diverse people yearning to break free from racial molds and emerge as individuals.

Resurrecting manifest destiny

By Aaron DeRosa
Senior Editor

I think every analyst who is drawing the line between Bush Senior's Persian Gulf War and the impending war that Bush Junior is pushing on America like Strom Thurmond trying to hock tickets outside a Missy Elliott concert is being too nearsighted.

I'm not the first to draw this connection, mostly because I'm lazy, but I think it's important to point out nonetheless: In 1898, America went to war against Spain in the aptly titled "Spanish-American War." It wasn't because of a threat of an oil shortage, it wasn't because of a jihad and it certainly wasn't because of weapons of mass destruction. The two critical factors were the idea of "manifest destiny" and the practice of "yellow journalism."

Manifest destiny, for those unfamiliar, was a jingoist notion that held that it was America's "divine right" to expand its borders, namely applying to the annexation of Texas, California, Alaska and, in this particular instance, Cuba.

This type of sentiment, though not indoctrinated in us as explicitly as manifest destiny was into the oxen-tough psyches of 19th century Americans, is still as rich in America's blood as it was then, though the façade is more brownstone than Victorian these days.

Today, this neo-manifest destiny shrouds all American foreign policy, from our failure to back the Kyoto accords to our disintegrating alliance with NATO. America has ushered in a new imperialism, an imperialism cloaked in the patriotic rhetoric of "self-sufficiency," a veritable isolationist decree and the notion that America's will is the "right" will.

Should we be reliant on foreign oil? Maybe yes, maybe no. How about we slaughter a country to find out? America's neo-manifest destiny is engrained in us like the shrapnel in my leg I got in 'Nam. It is this philosophy that guides all of our talks with foreign nations, why we vilify Iraq, North Koreans and Muslims and, ultimately, why we are headed to war faster than Donny Rumsfield if he were given control of "the button."

America has always fought against tyranny, but here we are in 2003 and tyranny has undergone a makeover, spiriting a comeback the likes of which haven't been seen since bell-bottoms became flare-pants. This new tyranny is not the work of a single man, but a tyranny of the mob, an American mob, driven by fear, guided by the media and orchestrated by the Bush Administration.

Now to say that only G. W. is responsible for this would-be a fallacy. But Clinton's foreign transgressions were far less abrasive than our current president's actions. Clinton's bombings, diversionary tactics in Operation Mask My Libido, were less about establishing universal American supremacy, and more like the lovable kid next door getting Beaver into trouble, taking him on another one of his hairbrained schemes (though I speak sarcastically, this can be debated elsewhere).

Dubya, on the other hand, has been masterful in his handling of his job. His mandate, in question at inauguration, was guaranteed on Sept. 11 and he has used it as political leverage ever since. How has he been able to slip this by us? Because he is the best media-president this country has ever seen.

Clinton had charisma, but Bush's stuttering stupidity has become our main focus. We're so concerned about the next "strategery" that we can't focus on the ideas he's actually disseminating: fear.

That's what it all comes down to in the end. Whether intentionally or unintentionally, the conservative media bias (yes, conservative—the big business, pro-war sentiment seems fitting enough to categorize it thus) has whipped America into a furor.

The Department of Homeland Security, the political fear machine, in conjunction with the media, has raised xenophobia to an almost hallowed art form. Between high alerts, the need for plastic bags and duct tape in case of a chemical attack and the fact that Saddam Hussein gets more airtime than high school basketball phenom LeBron James, it's no wonder my heart rate quickens every time I turn on the news—watching 5 minutes of MSNBC is like 30 minutes on the treadmill.

Prior to the Spanish-American War, Joseph Pulitzer and William Randolph Hearst, newspaper magnates, sensationalized tensions with Spain in order to bring about the war. Dubbed "yellow journalism," Pulitzer and Hearst used emotional appeals to the public and sensationalized headlines to drum up national support.

It is remarkable how true the adage that those who forget the past are doomed to repeat it truly is. America finds itself today, striding forth into a new century, plagued by the same rhetoric and pomp that afflicted it at the turn of the 20th century.

How different is our media right now when the lead story is that Iraq is allied with al-Qaida? I fail to see how a media-released tape confirms or denies any sort of political stance on the part of Iraq. By that logic, does the Bush administration support Asian culinary competition because the Iron Chef got good ratings?

What it comes down to is this: "A new consciousness seems to have come upon us—the consciousness of strength—and with it a new appetite, the yearning to show our strength ... Ambition, interest, land hunger, pride, the mere joy of fighting, whatever it may be, we are animated by a new sensation. We are face to face with a strange destiny. The taste of Empire is in the mouth of the people even as the taste of blood in the jungle ...." This quote was taken from an editorial in *The Washington Post* in 1898, the day before the Spanish-American War.

Dubya's State of the Union Address earlier this month stated, "Our first priority must always be the security of our nation ... We will win this war; we'll protect our homeland ... [we must] do everything possible to protect our citizens and strengthen our nation against the ongoing threat of another attack ... We are protected from attack only by vigorous action abroad, and increased vigilance at home."

Colin Powell, addressing the U.N. Security Council, said, "We must not shrink from whatever is ahead of us. We must not fail in our duty and our responsibility for the citizens of the countries that are represented by this body."

Though the rhetoric changes, the sentiment remains. It is remarkable how true the adage that those who forget the past are doomed to repeat it truly is. America finds itself today, striding forth into a new century, plagued by the same rhetoric and pomp that afflicted it at the turn of the 20th century. One in three English citizens thinks we're a greater threat to world peace than Iraq. In America, I know at least there's one in 280 million.

Mission creep in Columbia threatens war on terror

Mike Niebauer
Senior Writer

With all the current attention focused on Iraq and the challenge of nuclear weapon proliferation from North Korea, many would say that the United States has a full plate. Not true, according to the latest budget from the Bush administration. The White House is seeking to increase its military assistance to the government of Colombia by $110 million this year. This assistance, reported by Marcela Sanchez of The Washington Post, is assistance without any constraints as to locale or any particular mission or military operation.

The Colombian military can use this 15 percent increase in funding at its own discretion. This was not our policy with Colombia for many years. In fact, administration after administration avoided getting overly involved in the Colombian civil war, which is largely funded by drug profits. The Bush administration seems to be embracing a military relationship with the Colombian military that has been traditionally seen as too risky.

This bold move is showing a tolerance toward the blurring of the original mission of Plan Colombia, which started under the Clinton administration. Plan Colombia was put in place to counter drug trafficking and to stop drugs at the Colombian source. Mission creep in this case is shown when funding and involvement increase as effectiveness and national resolve is publicly questioned.

The Bush White House answered this by mixing the war on terrorism with the drug war initiative in Colombia. Sanchez reported, "The Colombian government already receives the most U.S. security aid among countries in the region since the Cold War. Five months ago what had been unimaginable for years was written into law: U.S. aid intended to fight drugs could be used to fight insurgents."

The mission has been altered. The distinction between dollars for fighting drugs and dollars to counter terrorists is important for many reasons but too complex to separate in a civil war situation. There is no simple elegant solution in a civil war. All we have to do is remember or read our own sad history to understand this fact. According to Sanchez, "For a long time any talk of increasing U.S. military aid to Colombia was countered by persistent voices warning of 'mission creep' or a military quagmire."

The case for the similarities of the Colombian left-wing Revolutionary Armed Forces of Columbia (FARC) guerrillas and al-Qaida terrorists will be certainly made in the global press since the FARC are not angelic warriors either. But only careful observation shows that the Colombian military is developing closer ties to the right wing paramilitary groups that have been accused of brutality in many cases. The atrocities of these right wing guerrillas have been documented by human rights groups that condemn the Colombian government for embracing these methods.

The mixing of missions should not be a black and white, right or wrong policy choice for decision makers in a situation as complex as Colombia's. The complexity of this situation warrants a closer look at keeping the drug and terrorism objectives and missions carefully and financially separate in aid and personnel. This is seemingly the opposite view of the Bush administration and the recently passed funding legislation following after 9/11.

U.S. Congressional Democratic opposition will not be easy to sustain considering that these funding increases seem rational on a military basis in this post 9/11 environment. But that is why mission creep is so insidious and dangerous. As we get further involved in Colombia's three-way civil war it can be only a matter of time before our forces and military assets become targets themselves.

Perhaps the Bush administration believes that this is economically efficient to do both of these missions together. But as we prepare to engage Iraq and possibly occupy it, then quell North Korea's compulsion to sell arms, a Colombian confrontation could follow in the war on terrorism, drugs. Or whatever. If it happens, the policy distortion of mission creep will be at least a great portion of the reason.

This is what Gore Vidal meant when he said that we, as a nation, choose perpetual war (military intervention) instead of working toward perpetual peace (curbing our domestic demand for illicit drugs). Civil wars should be left to Colombian domestic forces with direct, domestic grievances—not to the treasury of the only remaining superpower with relatively deep pockets and a blurred agenda.

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Opinions

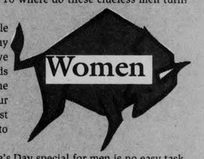
WHICH GENDER IS MORE ROMANTIC?
The Bucknellian editorial board faces off

Compiled By Michelle Dombeck and Andrea Dill
Women's Representatives

The Bucknellian men are going to say that the onus for Valentine's Day is, stereotypically, on them. They have to get flowers, they have to find chocolates and they have to buy dinner at a fancy restaurant, all in an annual (if they have game) effort to make women happy. Don't believe them.

In the typical heterosexual relationship, the fact of the matter is that women do all the work on Valentine's Day, while men do nothing at all. Men are literally handed a day of romance by Hallmark. People complain that Valentine's Day has been bastardized into a "Hallmark holiday," but that is the glory of it for men. It is so simple—they walk into any local shop and there is a display case full of red and pink girly stuff that fits the bill. Send your lady a card, and she'll love you forever. Take her out to dinner, and she'll know that you thought of her. Buy her a ring, because diamonds last forever. And, of course, women play the appropriate part, swooning over any romantic gesture their mates put forth.

If, for some reason, men are clueless about what to get women, they still manage to survive the holiday. To where do these clueless men turn? To women.



Not only are women responsible for finding a way to make the day special for the men in our lives, we also have to supply our guy friends with ideas. Taking into account the particular romantic affinities of our besotted female friends, we must determine what will tickle them to the advantage of the guys.

Finding a way to make Valentine's Day special for men is no easy task. What do you get a man on Valentine's Day? No practical gift makes sense. "Honey, on this Valentine's Day, I got you that new mouse you've been needing." That hardly screams romance.

Instead, the media and advertisers tell us that men want lingerie. Preferably, they want the flesh underneath, but tearing through something slinky, sexy and borderline slutty to get there is an acceptable cost of doing business. Men only really want to see lingerie balled up on their floors. How is that romantic?

Even if men don't get their ladies something sexual, sexuality is often implied in the gifts. "Give her a gift she'll love to unwrap, and maybe she'll unwrap you," claims a radio advertisement.

Most heterosexual men don't want romance; they want women. A candlelit dinner is not going to get a guy's heart pumping, nor is a teddy bear or obscure flower, the meaning of which perfectly describes your relationship.

For the single women out there, Valentine's Day is equally as tricky. Despite going year after year without so much as a bag of Hershey kisses from a boy, single women still hold onto dreams of fairy tales. These dreams are crushed on each and every Feb. 14 when they see other girls in the mailroom opening boxes with heart-shaped balloons popping out of them. When these girls are walking all over campus with their teddy bears and roses, single women have to squelch the urge to pull the hair right out of the lucky ladies' heads because they know that the only thing awaiting them is a lonely room with a chick flick and box of Kleenex.

If women put in most of the work into Valentine's Day and reap few rewards, why do we celebrate it?

The female staffers at The Bucknellian are taking a stand. We're not going to put up with a holiday that's simply a means for your desired end. Don't take us out to dinner or present us with hastily purchased flower bouquets. It's not about money, and it's not about romance. Just show us that you care.

Compiled By Aaron DeRosa and Peter Hackeman
Men's representatives

The breeze blows across our faces, our sweatpants ripple as our Reebok pumps carry us across the playground. We are the sultans of the sandbox. We are the sovereigns of the swings. At age 5, the social framework is placed around the male like a child caught in a jungle gym. For the most part, we can't find our way out (we're not endowed with the superior intelligence of our complimentary gender), but there are rare moments when we yearn, and succeed, at being lovers rather than fighters.

Valentine's Day is about women. Men don't ask for anything on these days, save to get out of it with their relationships still intact. For the most part, the acts of love required for this to be possible are not sanctioned by "the brotherhood," because to be "romantic" is to betray one's masculinity. This alone should be testament to the devotion that men display. But alas, it is not. Here is a list of things we have done in the name of Valentine's Day.

When I was 11, I distracted Beth Westerman long enough for Billy Hearst to sneak behind her and give her a kiss on the cheek. Later, he gave her his only piece of cake. She took it and didn't thank him.

When I was 12, I passed a valentine I had spent three years working up the courage to give to a girl I had a crush on. It was a white card, to represent the friendship we already had, with a red heart, to show that there was something better … love.

When I was 14, I took the train into New York City, walked 13 blocks to the other train station and took another train to Long Island, the only way to see you. It cost me seven hours and $20 roundtrip (a month's allowance) just to say "Happy Valentine's Day" to you when you woke up. You went to school and I had to go home. You kissed me. It was worth it.

When I was 15, I made a scrapbook of pictures of you and I bought a photo book and put the only picture that I had of us on the front page. On the next page I put an index card that said, "Let's fill this."

When I was 18, I acted as if I'd forgotten what day it was. When I said goodnight, you were noticeably upset. Five minutes later, you came over to my room with your freshly brushed teeth. "What took you so long?" was all I could ask. We fell asleep in each other's arms, her mattress still hiding in my closet, my necklace, which I had left on her doorknob, was wrapped around her neck.

When I was 19, I went around your room putting Post-it notes on every surface—drawers, shoes, calculator, books. Each Post-it said one thing that I loved about you. Later that night, I got my friends together and we serenaded you outside your dorm window. You didn't hear us at first and we had to do it twice.

In my first year, since I couldn't have a car on campus, I got on the six a.m. Greyhound Tuesday, rode for 12 hours and surprised you at your dorm. Thursday at six a.m., I got back on a Greyhound for another 12 hour trip back to campus.

When I was 20, you were sick. I made you hot soup, set your mattress on the floor and moved my TV into your room. When you got back, we spent the day under the covers, watching movies like "Anne of Green Gables," the movies you watched when you were sick as a kid.

When I was 21, I gave you my blue hat.

We have recorded our voice in picture frames, bought you gifts that were inexpensive but meaningful, compiled CDs that made you cry, videos that made you laugh and have gone to all ends to make a complete fools of ourselves for you.

But above all, women, we have loved you. And even though Valentine's only comes once a year, we have done what we can to show you that love every other day of the year. If, when you get together for lunch with your friends the next day, and our actions don't get you the loudest coo from the rest of the pack, remind them that your man's love could never be expressed in just one day.

English major has direction

By Nicole Wiederspiel
Staff Writer

When I was a child, I was obsessed with my parents' bookshelf. There was some adult secret lurking in those dusty Ikea caves in our living room, I was sure of it. When I was 12 and thoroughly disillusioned with the world around me, I grabbed "The Oxford Anthology of English Poetry" and opened it up. It didn't smell like so many of the other books that my parents owned, a smell that I associated with the '70s and bad television shows.

Anyway, somehow I ended up at T. S. Eliot's "The Waste Land," and due to some excess of adolescent angst, actually began to read it. I don't know—something about April being the cruelest month and ingeniously associating it with my birth—but there it was, wafting through my brain, eliminating all the allusions that I didn't understand but giving credence to the spiritual desert that was called seventh grade. I have been a "literary dork" ever since—and literature has sustained me and protected me from conformity, assimilation and narrow-mindedness with its uncanny ability to speak to me when no one else could.

Years later I go to college, and I become an English major, which unfortunately has made me the butt of jokes, condescension and some pretty ugly bitterness. To dispel some of the nasty rumors and my bitterness, I would just like to say this: English majors are not grammar experts by rule; instead, I study literature, which is integral to countless cultures.

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Literature shapes people's dreams, emotions, and to study it creates a preponderance of questions, though not always answers. I actually do work, and sometimes even my life changes from reading a certain text. I have learned to analyze everything I read. However, I suffer from a serious inferiority complex, as my science, engineering and management friends give me looks of dismay that suggest that I am somehow less intelligent than they are. You try analyzing Faulkner or Joyce—it's difficult, elusive, erudite—but totally worth it.

I don't have another major, but, yes, I do know what I'm going to "do with it." I'm never going to forget my ideals, sell out, work for a corporation or, worse, let people think I am less successful as a person because my real reason for going to college was not to curl myself up in a little box and allow myself to be labeled, placed on a conveyer belt and manufactured to the hungry masses.

No, I don't have any job prospects, and I am fairly sure that I possess little to no skills of any "practical" use. Two summers ago I made the decision not to enter academia, which rendered me speechless when confronted by well-meaning people who wanted to know if they could expect to see me trying to give stoned kids an appreciation for Charles Dickens or whether they could find me in unemployment lines, bitter and bedraggled, wishing I had the sense to learn a trade, like accounting or hairdressing.

Yet I am learning, albeit slowly, that a major is second to meaningless, and that a degree to many is an invitation to stop learning and surrender to an existence that has become satiated by a bank account and prestige. I don't really know where I am going next, but I will not let myself be afraid and pigeonholed into a career that I will eventually hate and that will destroy every dream I once had—the dreams that have followed me since the first time I picked up that anthology and thought that I finally had the power to discover life's mysteries and quirks.

Department limitations stifle students

By Stacey Gawrons
Writer

Enjoying my winter break at home, relaxing during my last few days before returning to the University, I was more than a little annoyed at learning that a hold had been placed on my registration. The hold, one that I had never heard of before, was a Degree Audit Hold, yet offered no explanation. Concerned that I had made a mistake in forgetting about some obscure University requirement that I had yet to take or register for, I panicked and checked my academic progress report online.

Happily, I discovered that everything was as it should be. The foundation seminar; disciplinary breadth; four courses in humanities, not more than two in the same department; three courses in natural sciences and mathematics (specifically two lab sciences and one math, computer science or non-lab science); a broadened perspectives on the 21st century course (whatever that means); a course fulfilling perspectives on the natural and fabricated worlds; one course meeting the perspectives on human diversity requirement; two W2 courses; and my nearly completed double major, which would be fulfilled upon completion of the spring semester. Everything looked good. I had fulfilled or was planning on fulfilling all of the University's requirements.

Assuming that there was a mistake on the registrar's part, I called the office to confirm my status and find out what exactly a degree audit hold referred to. To my chagrin, I was told that the hold on my registration was for taking too many English courses. Yep, that's right, I was signed up for two too many courses in my field of passion.

I asked the woman in the Registrar's Office how the University could dictate what courses a second semester senior takes. I wanted to know how the University could stop me from taking the classes I was most interested in while my parents were paying a ballpark price of $32,500 a year for me to attend school. I could not understand the absurdity of such a restriction. "It's in the student handbook," the frustrated woman told me.

While she couldn't tell me if I would be able to get approved and allowed to take my beloved English courses, she instructed me to meet with the dean of Arts and Sciences. Before my walk-in meeting with the dean (no appointments allowed), I did a bit of research. It seems that there is indeed a 12-course maximum concentration for the Bachelor of Arts degree in certain departments, but not others. In classics, modern languages, literatures, linguistics, anthropology, sociology and theatre and dance, the maximum concentration rule applies only to each of the programs in which a major is offered.

I asked around and discovered that there were many students in the same predicament. We had all fulfilled the University's extensive requirements but were now being told that we could not further pursue our fields of interest. We did, however, have the opportunity to meet with the dean to discuss the issue and plead our individual cases.

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Prepared to discuss my frustration with the dean over what I and many others considered a ridiculous policy, I felt like my opportunity was gone, as he seemed extremely agitated and annoyed at having to meet with students all day long to discuss the same problem. And why shouldn't he be agitated and annoyed? There was an overcrowding of students waiting outside his office to meet with him; in fact, there were not even enough seats to house them all.

Instead of voicing my views to the dean, I listened as he told me to type a letter describing my need to take over the maximum concentration in English. I was to get it signed, etc., and then wait for approval. The whole process seemed unnecessary and time-consuming for both the dean and mean.

While many other schools have fewer requirements or no general requirements at all outside a student's major (Brown University, for example), Bucknell needs to examine its University requirements and, consequently, afford its students ample opportunity to pursue their passions. If I had been planning on attending graduate school in my area of study, I would be at a disadvantage in not being allowed to further my English education. It is likely that other students in the same predicament are experiencing this disadvantage.

By the time we are seniors, presumably intelligent enough to know which courses will really pique our interests, shouldn't we be given the right to choose without the unnecessary red tape involved in getting permission?

Tuition increase benefits University students

By Jennifer Jenchura
Senior Writer

Even before I wrote articles on the living wage for *The Bucknellian* and saw firsthand the work behind the many models and spreadsheets developed by fiscal committees, I knew enough to know what the effects of a recession are. But you can't close down the University until the economy is back to normal again. As with many schools, last year investment return wasn't as good and neither were donations. It costs money to operate the University, so in order for the University to go on at the same quality as it has been, the University has to get money from a guaranteed source—tuition.

I don't mind if the trustees congregate for a weekend. Most have donated substantial amounts of money, many times over the cost of going to the Newark Airport for a weekend of financial meetings. In fact, I would rather the trustees get together and use their talents to think tuition through together, rather than just having the school make choices on its own (such as buying a new Bison Express trailer only to sell it before it opened).

To attract good faculty, competitive salaries are needed. Let's face it, the University certainly isn't known for its football team; rather it's known for its academic reputation as an institute of higher learning because of the professors. I want to be able to study with the best scholars out there and want to make sure the University is doing everything it can to hire these professors. If it takes a 2.5 percent salary increase to get them to me, it must be worth it.

With many staff working for not much more than minimum wage I believe University President Steffen Rogers is correct and staff salary increases are also needed.

Lots of money is being used for new facilities. Good! One of the reasons I chose to study at Bucknell was for its top-of-the-line facilities. I do not want buildings that look like they did when my parents went to school. I want technology-efficient, modern buildings and I expect a large part of my tuition to fund those facilities, even if they have to be remodeled, redone or built new.

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Long before the economic downturn the University had already laid out its master plans for construction and more buildings mean more costs, utilities, staff, etc. This wasn't something the University was hiding. Of course these costs extend to Sojka Pavilion, just as there are costs with the other new building on campus, O'Leary.

Did I mention that I love Sojka Pavilion? And, yes, I believe it has increased my educational experience. I have been to every men's and women's basketball game there this season. It might not be as loud and crazy a place as teams in the top 25, but that's the students' job. I believe going to an athletic event in general is an experience and going to an event in beautiful Sojka Pavilion raises the level of commitment to our athletic program.

Like it or not Bucknellians go to a school with a Division I athletic program and many students are athletes. Have you been there? It's a model facility for any Division I school our size to play basketball in, and basketball just happens to be the Patriot League's marquee event.

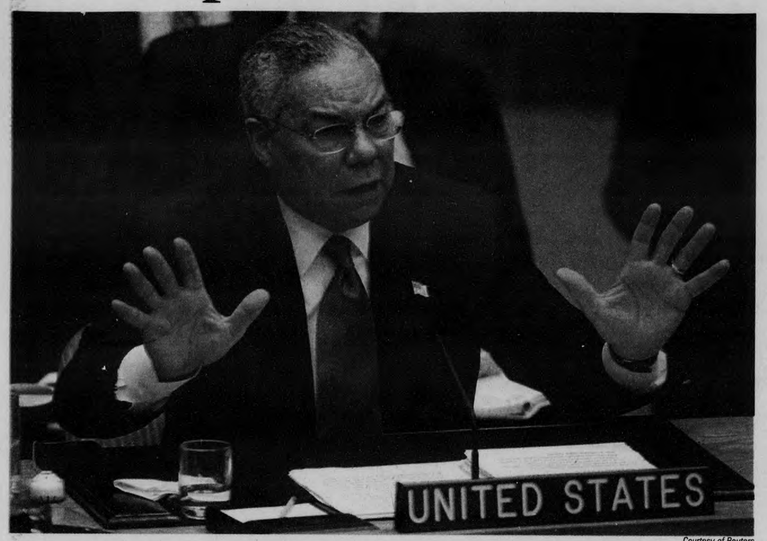
There are many donating alumni that follow Bucknell sports, not to mention the marketing (and therefore profitable) benefits of having a premier sports venue. ESPN is coming to Bucknell Sunday to broadcast a great women's basketball team, but also to show off our new facilities. You can't pay for this kind of spotlight on Bucknell and it will only help make our University more competitive, which then ultimately makes us closer to the University's main goal—a better higher-learning institution.

I'm sure the sports teams that no longer have to get up at 6 a.m. for some gym time in Davis Gym also don't mind the new facility. I also like the juice bar in the new Recreation and Athletics Center, and with tuition over $30,000 I expect there to be some extra "conveniences."

Although I am certainly not Miss Moneybags I like the quality of life here at Bucknell and would gladly pay more to get more.

BUSINESS & POLITICS

Powell presents case to U.N.



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U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell gives his presentation on Iraq to the United Nations. Powell appeared before the United Nations to deliver legitimate evidence on Iraq in hopes of engendering U.N. support for military action against Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and his regime.

By Emma Post
Staff Writer

Since the 1970s, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has faced U.N.-imposed economic sanctions as well as constant conflict with the United States over possessing weapons of mass destruction. Hussein has been a threat to his country's neighbors in the Middle East and to the rest of the world, and the Bush administration believes that Hussein is intent on acquiring chemical, biological and nuclear weapons in order to threaten those around him.

U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell gave a presentation to the U.N. Security Council on Feb. 5, disclosing the evidence that he and the Bush administration feel is persuasive enough to wage war against Iraq and its autocratic leadership.

According to *The New York Times*, Powell produced legitimate evidence against Iraq, such as satellite pictures taken last year of several known weapon sites that were destroyed in the Gulf War, but have since been rebuilt. Iraq claims that these facilities serve nonmilitary uses, but that is highly questionable.

Iraqi scientists gave firsthand accounts of seven easily concealable mobile biological weapons factories that are disguised as trucks and train cars, reported *The New York Times*. Inside these "trucks" are storage tanks, mixing tanks and active materials that the United States believes are used to create biological agents. There have also been suspicious activities at a chemical complex called Al Musayyib, which Iraq uses to ship chemical weapons from production facilities, MSNBC.com reported.

Iraq's most offensive act, according to Powell, is breaking U.N. Resolution 1441, which was passed last November, requiring Iraq to disarm its weapons of mass destruction or prove that it already has. Iraq has the opportunity to avoid war by turning over all documents concerning its weapons and making all of its scientists and engineers available for interviews.

Hans Blix and Mohamed El Baradei, the chief U.N. weapons inspector, will present their third report to the U.N. Security Council today, according to *The New York Times*.

If Hussein is still not cooperating with the United Nations, Powell said to *The New York Times* that U.S. President George W. Bush would immediately press for consideration of a security resolution authorizing the possible use of force against Iraq.

The problem, according to *The New York Times*, is that Great Britain is the only close ally of the United States that feels attacking Iraq is necessary. France and Germany are pushing for extended Iraqi inspections because they believe that there is not strong evidence that weapons exist. As permanent members of the United Nations, these two countries have the power to veto any resolution authorizing the use of force against Iraq. Instead of attacking Iraq, France and Germany may propose sending as many as 2,000 U.N. peacekeeping troops to Iraq to assist weapons inspectors. Powell feels that the United Nations has the wrong end goals.

"This idea of more inspectors, or a no fly zone, or whatever else maybe in this proposal that is being developed is a diversion, not a solution," Powell said, according to NBC News.

Despite the lack of support from the international community, Powell still said that the United States would take military action even without the support of the United Nations.

Powell said on "Meet the Press," "If conflict comes, we would hope to do it quickly, we would hope to do it with a minimum of destruction and a minimum loss of civilian life, and we would remove a despotic regime."

Ideally, a new government would be implemented, one that would include three major groups: the Kurds, Sunnies and Shi'ites. This would hopefully improve conditions in Iraq and set the precedent for a more stable region in the Middle East.

The third report to the United Nations will determine the course of action for the United States. Time is running out, and the United States feels that countries like France and Germany are only delaying the inevitable. With new allegations that Hussein is now connected to al-Qaida and 9/11, according to MSNBC.com, he is becoming more of a problem with each passing day.

As Bush said, according to CNN.com, "Saddam Hussein is a threat. He's a threat to the United States of America. He's a threat to some of our closest friends and allies. We don't accept this threat."

Turkish dispute heightens Iraqi war tensions

By Jim Leahy
Senior Writer

The road leading the world towards a conflict in Iraq has not been a smooth one. There have been complaints that the United States is bullying the international community and putting pressure on Iraq to be more receptive to U.N. weapons inspectors. Toss in U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell's speech to the United Nations and North Korea rattling its sabers in Asia. All this makes you wonder, "What's next?"

The answer came Monday morning when Belgium, along with France and Germany, vetoed a Turkish request at NATO headquarters in Brussels for defense, should a war in Iraq begin. This latest hurdle for the Bush administration may be the toughest one yet because it comes in a more important arena—NATO.

According to *The Washington Post*, the United States and Turkey came to an agreement over the weekend that would prepare Turkey for war. Turkey is vital for the United States to protect; as a direct Iraqi neighbor, it would be immediately affected by any conflict. The agreement will allow approximately 3,500 troops into the country to modernize airports, bases and seaports for later U.S. usage.

The Turkish Parliament will vote soon on whether or not to allow more U.S. troops to be stationed in Turkey in order to fight from a northern position, *The Washington Post* reported. This front is crucial to the United States because it will occur along the 218-mile border Turkey shares with Iraq.

The Washington Post reported that the bases the United States will work to upgrade are at Incirlik, Diyarbakir and Batman.

NATO's 19 members met in Brussels to plan a response to any Iraqi counterattack. MSNBC.com reported that France, Germany and Belgium vetoed the planning process because any aid "would signify that ... any chance, any initiative to still resolve the conflict in a peaceful way was gone."

Turkey is working to defend itself despite the problems posed by the NATO veto. According to *The Washington Post*, it has invoked Article IV of NATO's charter, which states, "The parties will consult together whenever, in the opinion of any of them, the territorial integrity, political independence or security of any of the parties is threatened." By invoking this article (the first time it has ever been used), Turkey will force the alliance to talk about the threat Iraq poses.

MSNBC.com reported on Monday "French President Jacques Chirac ... and Russian President Vladimir Putin said that Iraq's weapons capability had to be neutralized as quickly as possible but insisted that waging war to achieve the objective should be considered only as a last resort."

Meanwhile, the United States maintains that it will not accept any new resolutions the French or Russians may care to introduce to the United Nations. U.S. President George W. Bush has said repeatedly that he will act unilaterally, if he has to, in order to protect the American people. He sent Powell to the United Nations to provide evidence of Iraq's attempts to cover up its weapons programs.

"The issue is not more inspectors. The issue is compliance on the part of Saddam Hussein," Powell said on "Meet the Press."

CNN reported that the president is unhappy with the decision by NATO members to veto defense planning for one of its allies.

"I don't understand that decision. It affects the alliance in a negative way ... when you are not able to make a statement of mutual defense," Bush said, according to CNN.

The Turkey debate highlights the rift between the nations seeking war and those opposing it. It also threatens to weaken or dissolve the NATO alliance at a critical time. The debate between the United States and its allies within NATO may force the United States to find a new group of allies that agrees with its policies.

Many fear that this debate will undermine progress. Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld downplayed this idea when he said that this type of strain has happened before, according to MSNBC.com. The administration and NATO will see their resolves tested, as a possible war gets closer, because the war opponents will begin to speak louder.

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THIS FRIDAY, February 14th
9:00pm
Sojka Pavilion
Men's basketball game vs. Navy
televised on Direct TV - Channel 611

THIS SUNDAY, February 16th
2:00pm
Sojka Pavilion
ESPN2 is televising the
Women's basketball game vs. Navy
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Unemployment rates still fluctuating

By Michelle Johnson
Staff Writer

The U.S. Labor Department announced on Feb. 7 a slight drop in the national unemployment rate from 6 percent to 5.7 percent during the month of January. Though the decrease is not significant enough to indicate an end to the recession that began in 2001, it does give economists reason to be cautiously optimistic at the prospect that at least the economy may stabilize.

David A. Wyss, chief economist of the S&P 500, said to *The Washington Post*, "Employment is basically flat, which is a better picture than we thought we were seeing a month ago."

A total of 143,000 jobs were added last month. This is the highest monthly gain the nation has seen since 2000 and nearly compensated for those jobs that were lost in December 2002, according to *The New York Times*.

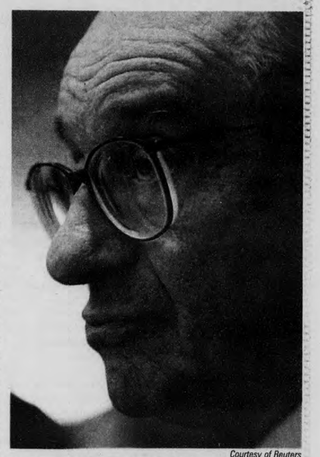
The explanation offered by economists concerning these newly released statistics could be attributed to the retail sector. Since many stores did not hire temporary employees before the holiday season, it was not necessary for them to fire their temporary employees in January.

Bill Cheney, the chief economist of John Hancock Financial Services, called this "the biggest component of the gains," according to *The Washington Post*.

Though the economy has continued to exhibit weak growth since the end of 2001, the jobless rate is still at a 20-year high. The percentage of people who are not in the work force—not accounted for in the unemployment decrease—rose once again last month. Unlike the unemployment rate, this percentage takes into account not only the people looking for work, but also those who are not currently seeking employment.

Despite the general economic downturn in the past year, there are still some industries experiencing a fair amount of growth. Restaurants, airlines, financial service companies, hospitals and government agencies added to their work forces in January. The field of private education also prospered, adding 11,000 new jobs, according to *The Washington Post*. Cutbacks in employment were considerable for car dealerships, manufacturers and state governments.

After the Labor Department released these statistics, the stock market fell due to a reported lack of confidence in the numbers. In order to stimulate the floundering economy, the Bush administration is proposing that the $1.35 trillion tax cut of 2001 be made permanent and that the dividend tax be abolished. CNN reported that Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan was hesitant to agree that such a stimulus package was necessary when much of the current economic uncertainty can be attributed to the lingering possibility of war with Iraq.



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Alan Greenspan, chairman of the Federal Reserve, was reluctant to agree to President George W. Bush's economic stimulus package. The Labor Department announced on Feb. 7 that unemployment rates have remained stagnant.

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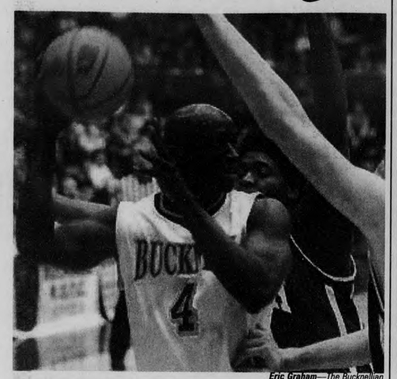

Eric Graham—*The Bucknellian*

Boakai Lalugba '03 controls the ball in a recent game against Lehigh. Lalugba went 4-7 from the field against American on Saturday.

By Dave Cohen
Senior Writer

The Bucknell men's basketball team dropped its second consecutive Patriot League game 70-56 at American on Feb. 8. After a solid 4-2 league start, the squad found itself at 10-11, 4-4 following the loss. The Bison looked for revenge on Feb. 11 at Lehigh, against a team that stunned the Orange and Blue on the evening of the opening of Sojka Pavilion.

Speaking of payback, American avenged its lopsided January loss to the Bison and moved ahead of Bucknell in the league standings, improving to 5-3. It was Glenn Stokes and Steven Miles stealing the show, as they combined for 46 points and propelled the Eagles to shoot 51 percent from the floor. They also were a solid 9 for 20 from beyond the arch. Boakai Lalugba '03 and Jordan Hardenbergh '03 attempted to reason why the Eagles shot the lights out.

"They shot the ball really well," Lalugba said. "We gave their two best shooters way too many open shots, bottom line. To win games on the road you have to contain the other teams' best players and we didn't do that as a team."

Hardenbergh also saw room for improvement in his team's play.

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Adam Freeman '04 performs a dive in the Lehigh meet. Freeman has been a vital part of the team, winning the gold in both the one- and three-meter diving events. Last week Freeman set a new school record with a total of 291.22 points.

Men head into P.L. Championships

By Lauren O'Connor
Staff Writer

The men's swimming and diving team completed its dual meet season with a 4-2 record. The team has won its last three meets, defeating Patriot League competitors Lafayette, Colgate and Lehigh.

The team now looks to the Patriot League Championship, which will be held here Feb. 20 until Feb. 22. Other Patriot League schools include American, Army, and Holy Cross.

Last year, Lehigh came home victorious. American and Army claimed 2nd and 3rd place, respectively, while Bucknell captured 4th. All members of the men's swim team will be expected to contribute in order for Bucknell to be successful. The team is comprised of six seniors, six juniors, four sophomores and nine freshmen; much can be expected of the team next year as well.

The University is hoping to capitalize on this team depth, as well as the advantage of swimming in its new home, the Kinney Natatorium. The Bison look to place higher than 4th this year in this meet and conclude the season on a high note.

As opposed to dual meets, this meet will be held in a trials and finals format. The trials portion will begin at 10:30 a.m. The diving trials will start at 12:30 p.m. The fastest 16 swimmers will return that evening at 6:00 p.m. to swim the same events they swam that morning. The consolation finals contain seeds 9-16, while the finals have the top 8 seeds in them. There are no relays for the trials session; instead there is one heat that will be swum at night. The diving finals will also begin at 6:00 p.m.

At the conclusion of the three-day meet, special awards will be given out for coaches of the year award, the swimmers and divers of the year awards, and the team awards.

Sid Jamieson inducted into Hall of Fame

Longtime lacrosse coach inducted into Pennsylvania Lacrosse Hall of Fame

By Pat Evans
Sports Editor

In the University's 35 years of men's lacrosse, it has only needed one coach to take the program from its grassroots beginnings to its current, nationally recognized status. As the 36th season approaches, Head Men's Lacrosse Coach Sid Jamieson will once again lead a talented group of players in their quest for a Patriot League Championship and an NCAA berth.

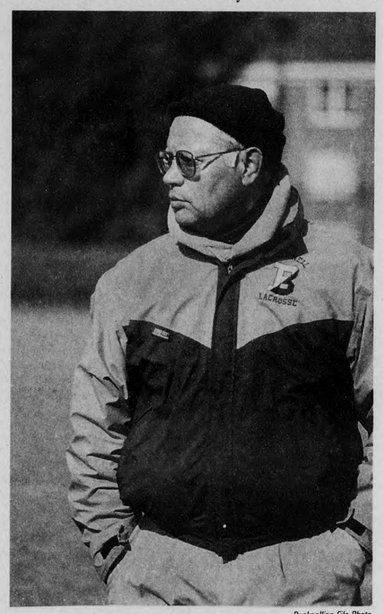
In his career at the University, Jamieson has guided his teams to an impressive six conference titles in three different leagues, including the last three Patriot League Championships, making the University an annual top-25 program. For his success, Jamieson recently became only the second coach in state history to be inducted into the Pennsylvania Lacrosse Hall of Fame.

"We are all a reflection of the experiences that have influenced us, so this honor is a testament to all the wonderfully positive things that I have experienced at Bucknell," Jamieson said. "This, of course, is not a singular honor, but it represents all of the alumni, their parents and our friends who have made this day possible."

Maybe the greatest accolade in Jamieson's coaching career came in 1996 when he was named Division I Coach of the Year after leading the Bison to an almost unheard of undefeated season.

"The undefeated season in 1996 was an accomplishment very rarely experienced by anyone in this level," Jamieson said. "It wasn't me that did it, it was the players that came together. The guys on that team had excellent leadership and had personalities that absolutely refused to lose games."

Jamieson sees the same characteristics in his players now. This year's team boasts nine starting seniors, including preseason All-America selections goalie Justin Sussman, who is this year's co-captain, and attack Dennis Geraghty, who is only two goals shy of breaking the University all-time scoring record.



Bucknellian File Photo

Head Men's Lacrosse Coach Sid Jamieson has guided his teams to an impressive six conference titles in three different leagues, including the last three Patriot League Championships.

"We've got great leadership this year," Jamieson said. "Our players are highly competitive and our seniors know how to put things together."

Although last year's team won the Patriot League Championship, which is normally an automatic NCAA bid, it was not able to advance because of a late loss to league rival Hobart 13-12, which put the Bison into a tiebreaker that they lost. This year's team believes it has what it takes to avenge last year's losses and gain a spot in the NCAA Tournament.

"On paper we're as good as any team in Bucknell history," Sussman said. "There's no comparison to last year's team. We have better leadership and everyone is pushing each other constantly. We're better in every facet of the game."

Sussman was the winner of the 2002 Patriot League Defensive Player of the Year Award after allowing an average of only 8:85 goals against him per game. Co-captaining with Sussman is Andrew Sanders '03, who scored 29 points last season, ranking him 12th best in the Patriot League.

"Our whole senior class is leading by example in everything we do," Sanders said. "And on top of that we've got a great bunch of young guys to fill in the gaps."

Among that young talent is last year's Patriot League Rookie of the year, Chris Cara '05, who will team up with Geraghty to lead the offensive firepower. Last year Cara was ranked 5th nationally in assists and 6th in scoring, breaking the 26-year-old University first-year scoring record.

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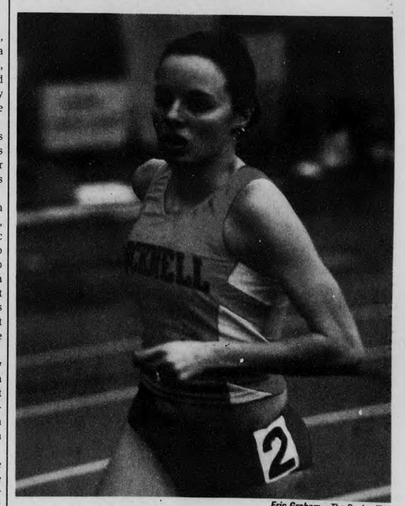
Bison track and field meet success at Kent State



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Theresa Dennis '03 competes in an earlier meet at Bucknell. Although she did not run at Kent State, Dennis will be a key contributor when the Bison set out to defend their Patriot League title at Colgate in two weeks.

By Evan Honeyfield
Staff Writer

Kent State's oversized track gave Bucknell's track and field team a chance to improve their Patriot League and IC4A/ECAC seed times this past weekend. The combination of having a full month of quality speed training, being pushed by top competition and having longer straightaways with more gradual turns, helped more than 30 athletes run seasonal and, in many cases, personal bests.

In a number of events, teammates keyed off each other to push the limits. Noel Powell '04 and Ryan Newberger '04 improved on their IC4A

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Equestrian Feature

Equestrian team looks to continue trend of success

By Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

The University equestrian team is gearing up for the second portion of its 2002-2003 season, which will commence on March 2 when the team hosts the first of five regular shows. The equestrian team, which operates as a club sport at Bucknell, is currently thriving with 35 members of varying experience and skill levels.

The riders train throughout the academic year at privately owned Summer Breeze Stables in Milton, Pa., where they take weekly lessons from trainer Jan Phillips. The athletes train in a group with three or four other riders of roughly the same skill level, and can choose from several lesson times to accommodate for academic commitments.

Fifteen years ago, Bucknell's equestrian team barely had a pulse, fielding only eight members, but has since grown into a highly successful and flourishing squad. The show team is a perennial threat in its region, and has previously sent individuals on to compete in Zone and National Championship competitions.

A member of Zone 3, Region 4, the team competes against schools such as Princeton, Rutgers, University of Scranton, Kutztown and Lehigh. All members of Bucknell's team compete in Hunt Seat competition, but are placed in varying divisions according to their skill levels, which range from beginner to advanced.

Out of the 35 riders on the team, between 15 and 20 members travel to each show. Riders can choose to show in all five shows, just some of the shows or not show at all.

"The great part about intercollegiate riding is that riders do not have to compete in every show if they do not want to," co-captain Kim Lorenz '03 said. "Sometimes a rider might only want to show once or twice to get their feet wet, but do not want to commit to showing as competitively as others."

The team hopes to repeat its superb efforts last season, in which the squad achieved High Point status in all five of its regular competitions and went on to finish 1st in the region as well. The team then advanced to Zone Championships, where they finished 3rd—an extremely impressive feat considering that there are over 60 colleges in Zone 3. Individually, six riders qualified for Regionals, five for Zones and one for Nationals.

One of the reasons for the team's recent success is the expertise and tenacity of Phillips, who has coached the team for 15 years and had taught lessons to Bucknell students in the years prior to that. Phillips is a graduate and instructor from the British Horse Society, and has trained many horses and riders to qualify for and succeed in such prestigious shows as Devon, Harrisburg and Hampton Classic.

Phillips admits to being tough on team members, throwing frequent challenges at them and exposing them to a variety of difficult mounts. Riding a different horse each lesson helps prepare the team members for Intercollegiate Horse Show Association competitions, which require that each rider be paired at random with a horse provided by the host team.

"I try to put them on every different personality," Phillips said. "I try to make them learn to ride the match that they might get at a horse show."

Horses at Summer Breeze Stable accommodate several different skill levels, with several different personalities available for each level. Riders are exposed to a unique challenge with each horse, as each equine has his or her own quirks—some may be quick or skittish, while others are stubborn and need to be urged on. It is imperative that a rider be able to quickly adapt to these different traits in order to achieve in IHSA competitions.

As the season gets underway, the Bucknell riders are confident that they can repeat the success of recent seasons.

"We have talented riders, a variety of horses to practice on, and a great coach," Missy Turner '03 said. "There is no doubt in my mind that our team will do well his spring."

Cecily Cairns—The Bucknellian

Missy Turner '03, with La Monte, and Cathleen Laux '06, with Reggie, head back to the barn after a lesson. The Bucknell equestrian club, which has over 30 members, trains at Summer Breeze Stables in Milton.

Collegiate competition is unique

Intercollegiate equestrian competitions are held according to the rules and standards of the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSA), an organization established in 1967. The IHSA is a member of USA Equestrian (USAE), the national governing body of equestrian sport in the United States, which oversees the nation's most prestigious equestrian competitions, and the American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA). IHSA competitions differ from other national competitions in their format, making the collegiate experience a unique one for young equestrians.

One of the difficulties associated with horseback riding in its various forms is the limitations its places on its participants because of financial demands. Owning, boarding, caring for and transporting a horse is not affordable for many college students, a factor that would ordinarily limit the participation in equestrian clubs. The IHSA standards are designed to allow riders of varying skill levels and financial status to participate and succeed.

Participants are not required to own or lease their own horse. Member teams take turns hosting shows, and the team that hosts the show provides the horses. All participating riders will ride one of those horses, based on a random pairing right before competition.

All participants compete on a horse they have never seen or ridden before, eliminating the discrepancy between those who own horses and those who don't, as well as relieving teams from the difficulty of transporting horses to the show. They also must use the tack provided by the host school.

The IHSA offers competition in the two main disciplines of English (hunt seat) and western, and four basic classes—equitation on the flat (the rider is judged on skills at the walk, trot and canter), equitation over fences (the rider is judged on skills over jumps), western horsemanship and reining.

Shows are further divided into several classes—generally eight for hunt seat and five for western—based on skill level, ranging from extreme beginner classes to highly advanced classes over fences. Riders are awarded points for their placement in each class, beginning with seven points for 1st place, five for 2nd, four for 3rd, three for 4th, two for 5th and one for 6th. After accumulating 35 points at one level, a rider moves on to the next level.

Each member team in the IHSA is assigned to a zone based on its location in the country, and each zone is divided into no more than five regions. Riders strive to advance from regular point shows to Regional Championships, where the 1st, 2nd and, in some regions, 3rd place riders in each class may advance to zone championships. All riders who place 1st and 2nd in their respective classes then become eligible to compete at the National Horse Show, held annually in the first weekend of May.

Hunt seat teams designate eight riders from different levels as point riders and western teams designate five riders. The points scored by the top seven riders will be added up to constitute the team's overall score in hunter competition, while the points of all five riders in western competition are added together. The winning team from each Regional Championship—based on the cumulative scores of all eight hunt seat point riders or all five western point riders—advances to the Zone Championship.

Smaller zones (consisting of 500 or less individual riders for hunt seat, or 200 or less riders for western) send the top-scoring team to the National Horse Show, while larger zones (over 500 individuals for hunter; from 200-400 riders for western) may send the top two teams. In western competition, zones with over 400 individual riders may send the top three teams. The scores of the eight designated riders in hunt seat competition or five designated riders in western competition are added up to determine the point totals for each team, upon which the naming of the National College Champion team is based.

The IHSA currently consists of nine zones, a total of over 300 member colleges and universities and over 6,200 individual riders, making it the world's largest intercollegiate equestrian organization. Most teams operate as club sports, but several universities have granted their teams status as fully funded varsity sports, a trend that will probably continue as the popularity of collegiate equestrian athletics continues to grow.

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Missy Turner '03 and La Monte clear a jump during a training session at Summer Breeze Stables. Since IHSA competition demands versatility, Turner and the other riders must ride a different horse each week.

A look at equine sports

Cecily Cairns—The Bucknellian

Coach Jan Phillips greets equine athlete La Monte. Horses play an important role in many sports.

Hunt seat equitation is just one of the many horse-related sports that provide entertainment for people worldwide. Here is a quick overview of some equine sports.

Eventing: **Eventing** combines three English-style horse sports, including dressage, cross country jumping and stadium jumping. **Dressage** demands that the rider guide his or her horse through a complex and graceful pattern of motions in a flat arena. It requires the horse to be not only athletic, but extremely nimble and attentive to its rider's subtle commands. **Cross-country jumping** is a rigorous sport in which horse and rider must speed over a hilly course with large fences, embankments and water-pits. **Stadium jumping** takes place in an enclosed rink where the rider must guide his or her horse over a tricky combination of large, flashy jumps. Knocking down or refusing a fence results in the accumulation of "faults" for the horse and rider. Dressage, cross-country and stadium jumping are all held as separate events during the Olympics, in addition to eventing, which combines the sports so that competitors are scored on their performance in all three. Equestrian sports are the only Olympic event in which men and women compete against each other on even grounds.

Endurance Riding: Endurance rides are the marathons of the horse racing world—horse and rider teams usually travel from 25-100 miles in a single day, or as many as 300 miles over multiple days. Any breed of horse is eligible to compete, but steady, strong horses are best suited for the hilly and rocky trails that the course of the race follows.

Racing: Horseracing, in its various forms, has been one of the world's most popular sports for centuries. The most popular type of racing is **Thoroughbred racing**, a sport celebrated in countries across the globe. Thoroughbreds are the fleetest horses over distances ranging from .625 miles to 2 miles and draw a wide variety of fans to the track. The fastest breed of horse in the world is the Quarter Horse, raced over much shorter distances. Although not as glamorous as Thoroughbred racing, **Quarter Horse racing** is popular in many parts of the United States. **Harness racing** requires that the horse, usually a Standardbred, remain at either the trot or the pace (both two-beat gaits) while pulling a light, two-wheeled cart called a sulky, in which the driver sits and guides his horse in and out of traffic. One of the most dramatic and dangerous forms of racing is the **steeplechase**—more popular in Europe than in the United States—which sends horses over massive shrub hurdles, some with water pits, that are spaced out over 2- or 3-mile courses.

Rodeo: The rodeo is a celebrated part of American culture, steeped in traditions of the Old West. One of the most spectacular and dangerous events is **bareback bronc riding**. Competitors must try to remain seated on a feisty unbroken horse while it bucks, spins and tries to unseat the cowboy. The rider must stay on for 8 seconds, after which he is judged on his form and the difficulty of the ride. Another popular and extremely challenging event is **calf roping**, during which the horse and rider team must pursue and rope the calf. Then the rider must dismount, "flank" the calf (lay it down on its side) and tie three of its legs together. All of this must be completed in a short time period, and precision and synchrony between horse and rider is a must. **Barrel racing** is a less violent, but also difficult, event in which the rider must guide his or her horse around three or four barrels as quickly as possible. The horse must be extremely nimble to make sharp, fast turns around the barrels.

Fox hunting: A sport with rich tradition among the financially elite, fox hunting has experienced decline in recent decades due to the uproar it caused from animal rights activists. Riders follow a pack of foxhounds across the rolling countryside as the dogs pursue a fox. Recent versions of the sport send the hounds after a previously placed fox scent, and the actually animal is never chased or killed. This sport is most popular in Great Britain, but has a healthy following in other countries.

Polo: Polo is one of the world's oldest team sports, played as long ago as 200 B.C. in Persia. Each team consists of four riders, each mounted on a relatively small, athletic and powerful horse called a "polo pony" (even if the horse is tall enough to be considered a horse). The object is similar to soccer or hockey, as riders must send the ball between two goal posts on one end of the field. The players, each of whom has a special designated role, manipulate the ball using a long mallet. Polo is a fast-paced and physical sport—riders can bump one another as they jostle for access to the ball. Although polo is a sport that is generally restricted to wealthy participants, it continues to grow in popularity.

Sports Ops

Cecily Cairns Classic Corner

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From 60 to zero in no time flat

The onslaught of hype and speculation about LeBron James has stirred up a sudden historical enthusiasm for some otherwise uncelebrated facets of the past. Publications can't seem to resist reminiscing about phenom flops of yesteryear, and if they aren't writing about those poor souls, it's because they're too busy compiling lists of infamous suspensions, bans and catastrophic foul-ups of the past.

Both categories have a rich history, so it isn't hard to compile a list of the vast slew of misfortunate athletes who are destined to be synonymous with disappointment or self-destruction. One athlete comes to mind whose name could find a home on either list.

Denny McLain will always be remembered for the speed at which he went from "dominator" to "disaster," as well as for the misbehavior that landed him two suspensions, a few federal convictions and, eventually, incarceration. He'll be remembered for landing himself in a vortical downward spiral that is quite possibly unrivaled in sports history.

Of course, he'll also be remembered as the only pitcher to win 30 games in a season since 1934. Somehow McLain managed to do something that no one else in a nearly 70-year span—not Koufax, not Feller, not Marichal—could pull off. In the past decade, no one's even come close, and chances are they won't anytime soon.

McLain's 31 wins in 1968 with the Detroit Tigers will forever be his hallmark, but his story—his drama—encompasses a lot more than that single season.

His career didn't exactly blaze out of the gate after the Tigers acquired him off of waivers from the White Sox in 1963. His first couple of seasons saw him dabble in the majors and struggle with injuries, but somewhere along the lines, the happy-go-lucky right-hander learned how to work a change-up and curveball into his repertoire.

In 1965, he logged a pleasantly surprising 16-6 record with a 2.61 ERA, and continued to drill his way through the next two seasons, despite arm problems, with 20-14 and 17-16 records, respectively. At the end of 1967, McLain was budding into a menace for batters all over the American League.

He was also budding into a white-collar criminal.

He missed the last two weeks of that season—weeks that turned out to be crucial for his Tigers, who lost the pennant to the Red Sox by one game—with an unexplainable foot injury. He claimed that he had simply tweaked something when he tried to walk on the appendage after it had "fallen asleep." Truth is, it didn't fall asleep; it was put to sleep—stomped on—by an irate mobster who wanted to send the young star a message about late payments.

Detroit's marvelous twirler was quietly slipping into the seamy black hole of obsessive gambling, racketeering and womanizing. And at the time, nobody would have guessed it by watching him pitch.

1968 was successful at sweeping the dubiosity of his moral judgment under the proverbial rug. He completed 28 of 41 starts, struck out 280, walked only 63 and compiled an ERA of 1.96. He only lost 6 games, and with his 31 victories, became the first—and only—pitcher since Dizzy Dean to win over 30 games.

He was named unanimous American League MVP and awarded the Cy Young Award.

Even in an era that was undoubtedly pitcher-friendly, it was a sparkling set of statistics. Too good to be a fluke. At 24, the kid was simply meteoric.

Within two years, his flirt with immortality was grounded. The spark, the glitter and the promise of his career had simply imploded, and all that was left was a smattering of rubbly meteorites, the fragments of what could have been.

Statistically speaking, the 1969 season solidified McLain's status as a star. He went 24-9 with a 2.80 ERA and took home a piece of a second Cy Young Award. But his behavior was becoming obviously derelict. He skipped workouts and showed up late on game days. He placed bookmaking phone calls from the Tigers' clubhouse telephone.

In 1970, the bottom dropped out. Commissioner Bowie Kuhn suspended him for three months on account of a previous bookmaking involvement, and then again at the end of the season for waving an unregistered gun in a Chicago restaurant.

He could only scrape together a 3-5 record in 1970. Exacerbating, or perhaps exacerbated by, his pitching difficulties, McLain's downward spiral landed him in bankruptcy, even with his hefty $100,000 salary.

In 1971, he went 10-22 with the laughable Washington Senators. McLain managed to put a reverse on the "impossible dream" concept—it was the impossible nightmare: from the league lead to the basement in two years. He became the only pitcher to win 30 games in one season and lose 20 in another.

He pitched his last major-league game for the Atlanta Braves in 1972, at the age of 28. He had burned his candle at both ends and simply ran out of wick. There was nowhere for the flame to go but into thin air. Or prison.

His troubles didn't fade away with his career. In 1985, he was slapped with federal charges involving racketeering, conspiracy, extortion and possession and distribution of cocaine. Sentenced 23 years, he only served a little over two before being released on parole.

In 1996, he was convicted of embezzling pension funds from Peet Packing Company, a meatpacking company he purchased two years earlier. He was hit with an eight-year sentence, which he wasn't able to weasel his way out of.

And that's where baseball's last 30-game winner sits right now: the McLean Federal Correctional Institution. The closest thing to baseball he sees is an occasional prison-league softball game, which he watches from the sidelines.

It's hard to decide whether to deprecate his legacy on the basis that the grave-digging shovel was in his hands and his hands alone, or to pity him. He was just a lost soul, affable by most counts, always upbeat and sure that he could accomplish anything he wanted. Hard to condemn a guy like that.

He once said he'd love to be Frank Sinatra.

"He has power," McLain said. "That's what I want."

McLain needed power. It brought him fame, brought him shame, thrilled him, cursed him, obsessed him and delighted him. Power, to McLain, was like a best friend.

Of course, with friends like that, who needs enemies?

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Respect the entertainer

"Aww, look at how cute he is! Let's get a picture with him. Wow, look at how high he jumped!" We've all said it. We've wanted that furry creature to come over to shake our hand or give us a bear hug. The happiness they can bring to you, what a job. Ah, to be a mascot. Easy profession? Maybe ... if you think Joe Millionaire's "real life" job is. So think you have what it takes to be a mascot?

"People say, 'Oh, I could be a mascot, I have a lot of energy,'" said Paul Pierson, a mascot with the Atlanta Braves and the Harlem Globetrotters. "Well, you could have a lot of energy. But if it's 80 degrees, you're operating at 120. And you have to keep your wits about you, because you're running up steps with little kids that you can't see all around. Plus, you have to entertain the crowd, be physically active, worry about breaking a leg." Here's a suggestion for Stein, for next year's NBA All-Star game. How about we add a slam dunk contest between the mascots? I mean these guys can perform at high levels doing wicked double flipping, canon ball spinning maneuvers, almost always hitting their target—the basket.

In high school I always thought it would be neat to be our school mascot—the Somerville Pioneer—wearing the Davey Crocket outfit and carrying around our musket. I mean, I was one active kid, and I continued this outward happiness in college, which led fellow Resident Assistants pointing me to cheerleading tryouts. Bring it on! But after reading a few articles on the working conditions of mascots, I find myself soaking in the pleasure of being entertained.

So what do mascots have to contend with? First, the sweltering heat. The average mascot suit increases the temperature 40 degrees above the external temperature. Dedicated as they are, sometimes they go too far and put themselves in danger. Case and point, a few years ago, Baltimore Orioles mascot Bromley Lowe became so dehydrated during a Fourth of July parade that he ended up in an ambulance, hooked up to an IV bag. In an ironic twist, some of the kids joined him on the ambulance to comfort poor Lowe.

The spring season and, yes, even the summer are approaching. Wouldn't it be great to shed a few pounds to fit into that new outfit? Try being a mascot for a few games. It's reported that the average mascot sheds 9 pounds off each performance! To ease the load, Lowe and fellow Orioles mascots Steven Butz and John Krownapple usually alternate half-hour shifts on game days. They also keep the fridge in the Camden Yards mascot locker room stocked with 64-ounce bottles of Powerade.

Next, how about the injuries? More than half of all mascots have been stricken with a heat-related injury. Also, 44 percent of mascots suffer from chronic lower back pain. And finally, not surprisingly, almost one-fifth have sustained knee injuries while working. Even more telling is the a report by Dr. Edward McFarland, director of sports medicine and shoulder surgery at Johns Hopkins and the author of a study on mascot injuries, which notes an increase of mascots being hit in the 'nads. "That's just about the right height for kids to punch. They think they're aiming for the stomach. But they're not," McFarland said. I wonder if "The Cup" will be reinstated as required mascot attire.

If little kids were not enough to watch out for, what about the grown-ups? Surely they have consideration and understand how hard, yet fulfilling, a job mascots have. Well, in 1999, a Philadelphia electrician shoved Krownapple off the right field wall at Camden Yards. The Orioles mascot fell 15 feet, broke his left ankle and spent a month in a wheelchair. He later won a $59,000 judgment against his assailant.

While on the subject of injuries, what hockey fan can forget when Edmonton Oilers Coach Craig MacTavish tore out the tongue of Calgary Flames mascot Harvey the Hound a few weeks back? With sub .500 win percentages in their past 10 games, maybe MacTavish was angered that Harvey could do a better job of coaching the Oilers. I know at my local Double-A baseball stadium, the mascot has staff personnel following it just to protect against these sorts of situations of player/coach/fan altercations!

So how well off are they? Working with the Braves last year, Pierson garnered $65 a game. Blank earned $45 per night in the minor leagues. Not exactly superstar salaries considering they are sometimes the most exciting aspect of the sporting event.

But loving what you do, and being able to impress your date without the usual "I'm a programmer or business consultant" response can really spice up your relationship life.

Me like sportz

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Longer than a prostate exam

If there's anything the NBA doesn't need, it's more playoff games. One of two sports whose postseason is longer than the reign of the Louises in France, the NBA has decided to extend their already excruciatingly long postseason by another two games.

Formerly, the NBA playoffs were four rounds, best of 5-7-7-7, respectively. The players association agreed to extend the first round of the playoffs by two games, to be effective this year.

This decision has its merits. Best-of-five games series are often inaccurate judges of a team's ability. We shall call them the standardized tests of the athletic world. They are painful, they are boring and, in the end, everyone feels screwed.

The reason that the first round was only five games to begin with is known only to the most diehard of NBA fanatics. Since I am not one of those people, I'm going to make something up: the best-of-five format is actually a throwback to Wilt Chamberlain.

Chamberlain, who still holds the record for most points in a game (100) and most rebounds in a game (55), obviously had an affinity for the number five and, after long deliberation with then-NBA commissioner J. Edgar Hoover, decided to add an extra round to the playoffs in the best-of-five format. Longtime friend of Chamberlain, Pete Rose, praised the move, saying that it would allow for greater fan interaction with the sport. Walt Disney was quoted as saying "This is the best thing to happen to basketball since "Space Jam."

Back to the merits of the decision, best-of-five series are often boring in the eyes of the public, with games played too far apart to create any dramatic tension between teams. In fact, I would go so far as to suggest that the best-of-five format was a ploy to allow lower quality teams a chance to advance in the playoffs.

The best example I can think of is in baseball (which has the same playoff format of 5-7-7-7) where last year's New York Yankees were silenced by the now-World Champion Anaheim Angels. As much as it pains me to say, the Yankees were a better team overall, though their strength was in their depth, and depth is something completely unnecessary in a five-game series.

So if seven-game series are better judicators of talent, then why, do you ask, would we have five-game series? Well, for one, they are more interesting because it shows a true test of metal for a team that has to match wits, your best against the other team's best, rather than relying on a bench, the fifth man in a pitching rotation or something of that sort to decide the game.

Additionally, they give lower-quality teams a chance. In the first round, the 1st-place team always plays the last-place team. Without some sort of measure put in place, these games wouldn't be watched solely because it would be about as much fun watching bread rise. Five games allows a team like Anaheim to beat a team like New York.

When it comes down to fundamentals, the team that shows up will always win. Shooting myself in the foot here, the New York Yankees were NOT the best team in baseball—the Angels were, because when it comes down to it, it's all a matter of who has the ring and who's eating Cheetos on the couch for a month, too depressed to go out to buy milk.

Another factor is simply length. Last year's NBA finals began on April 20 and didn't end until June 13, and the Lakers swept the Nets in the finals, meaning that the season would have been extended to the June 19. That's two full months of playoffs and the potential for 89 games. That's a healthy number considering a single season is only 82 games.

And the number one reason why this is a bad idea: profit. I'm tired of these decisions being driven by money. How much more can you suck out of me and my family? In baseball, everything is about money (the only reason it's not my favorite sport). It's different with football. With strict caps, revenue sharing and the like, it's no wonder football has its financial act together. Though the NBA isn't as financially bad as baseball, this is just another indicator of priorities on the part of the players union.

The NBA's main problem is the rise of the high school ballplayer and I have no qualms in suggesting that this playoff-restructuring is a part of some sort of cult, underground process for the arrival of LeBron James. Speaking of which 132 days, 2 hours, 47 minutes, 11 seconds until he's drafted. Cross your fingers.

The woes of the NHL—team locations, points and playoffs

By Mark Walker
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The Nashville Predators defeated the Columbus Blue Jackets 3-2 at the Gaylord Entertainment Center in Nashville, Tenn., Saturday.

"It was a real disappointing loss. It was a huge two points for both teams," Blue Jacket's left-winger Geoff Sanderson said following the game.

Sanderson's quote, referring to the matchup between Columbus and Nashville, sums up everything that is wrong with the NHL today. Coming into the game, the Blue Jackets and Predators were in 14th and 5th place, respectively, in the five-team Central Division. If these two teams occupy the basement of the division, how could Sanderson possibly consider this game "huge"?

The fact of the matter is that this game did indeed have playoff implications. Eight of the 15 teams in the NHL's Western Conference receive a berth into the playoffs. Despite being two of the three worst teams in the conference and sitting five games below .500 well past the halfway point of the season, both Nashville and Columbus still have a legitimate shot at the playoffs. Following the game, Nashville and Columbus sat only nine and 10 points, respectively, out of a playoff position.

The NHL must cut the number of playoff teams to four per conference because teams below .500 at this point in the season should not be in serious playoff contention. By allowing 16 of the league's 30 teams into the playoffs, the NHL's regular season becomes nearly meaningless and, in turn, hurts attendance.

Many fans, especially those of teams in the upper echelon of the league, do not care to watch and do not attend regular season games. They undoubtedly know that their team will be playing come playoff time.

Decreasing the number of playoff teams creates a fairer system. The regular season gains more meaning, as teams must prove their superiority to receive a playoff berth. Then, playoff teams can rest assured that they will not be upset by an undeserving playoff team.

The second significant problem with the NHL is that there are now way too many teams. The fact that there are even teams in Columbus, Ohio, and Nashville, Tenn., is wrong. There is also no reason that the NHL needs two teams in warm-weather Florida, three teams in the New York-New Jersey area and a plethora of teams along the Pacific Coast in California.

The biggest burst of NHL expansion started in 1991 with the creation of the San Jose Sharks. Prior to the inception of the Sharks, the NHL had a perfect size of 21 teams (with the exception of the fact that 16 of the 21 teams still made the playoffs). These 21 teams were, for the most part, all in markets that could sustain a successful professional sports franchise.

The NHL's newest franchises are located in markets that are too small or do not have enough interest in hockey to foster the development of a successful franchise. Cities, such as Columbus, Ottawa, Miami and Tampa Bay, are not big enough "hockey towns" to house a professional team. These cities would be much better-suited to housing minor-league teams in the AHL or IHL.

Expansion sounds like a great idea, since it exposes more markets to the excitement of NHL hockey. Too often, expansion teams struggle after the original thrill of a professional franchise wears off.

This is exemplified by the Ottawa Senators, an expansion team in 1992. Ottawa is currently the best team in the NHL, yet filed for bankruptcy protection because the Ottawa market is proving unable to support an NHL franchise.

The best solution to the NHL's problems is to cut the number of teams in the league down to 22-24 and decrease the number of playoff teams significantly to eight. This will bring back tradition in the league by eliminating financially struggling teams in non-hockey markets. At the same time, limiting the number of playoff teams will bring fans back into the seats of the franchises in sustainable hockey markets.

The NHL offers a great product. Few sports are as fast paced and exhilarating as NHL hockey. Fans have been turned away from the game by the recent structure of the league. With these proposed changes, fans will be drawn back into the seats because the regular season will be more meaningful and more rivalries will develop after the elimination of struggling franchises.

Sports

Lady Bison lose two straight, fall to American and Lehigh

With the losses, Bucknell basketball's defending Patriot League Champions fall to 9-12 overall and 4-5 in league games

By Joe Schweitzer
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The Bucknell women's basketball squad suffered another difficult loss to American, 72-60, on Feb. 8. The Bison also lost a tough road contest to rival Lehigh, 68-61, Tuesday night. Both setbacks mark the finale of a grueling road trip for the defending Patriot League Champions as they fell to 9-12 overall and 4-5 in league games.

"Loss" seems to be the key theme from the game as the Bison were missing many of the things that brought them last year's championship. They were without the mental and physical toughness of co-captain Kate Franks '03, who missed her first game in 108 contests due to a hip injury. Also missing was the Orange and Blue's explosive offense as they struggled shooting the ball all afternoon. The most important aspect lacking on Saturday was their special ability to make that one big run that Bison fans expect from this squad.

Bucknell shot poorly to open the frame as they managed only seven points over the first eight minutes of play, falling behind 14-7. With the Bison trailing 18-11 near the halfway mark of the first period, Chelsea Smith '06 scored two big baskets and sparked an 8-2 run to pull Bucknell within one, 20-19. American caught fire from the field and built a 34-26 lead behind their Patriot League star, Chanel Hunt. The Orange and Blue charged back, cutting the deficit to six on several occasions, but poor officiating halted their efforts as several key starters were whistled for questionable calls. The Bison fought through the adversity and had a chance to head into the half down by only two, but an American steal and buzzer beater by Chanel Hunt sent Bucknell to the locker room trailing 40-32.

Desire Almind '04 continued her all-league play as she scored six points to ignite a 10-4 run that brought the Orange and Blue within four, 50-46, with 11 minutes, 41 seconds left. The Bison looked primed for one of their famous runs, but frustration set in as their cold shooting combined with refereeing difficulties. American continually knocked Bison players to the ground on almost every shot attempt, yet the whistles stayed silent as Bucknell missed nine straight shots and saw the Eagles expand their lead to 55-46. The Orange and Blue mounted a 9-4 run to draw within four with just under five minutes to play. More bad officiating combined with a 13-5 American run forced the aggravated Bison into continued poor shooting as they eventually fell 72-60. The squad shot a frigid 29 percent from the field for the second half.

"Every team goes into a game with a game plan on how to get the job done," Smith said. "The result of the game shows that American executed their game plan better than we did."

Molly Creamer '03 led the Bison with 26 points, but struggled from the field going 9-31 as she was the main recipient of the American cheap shots and lack of officiating. Almind scorched the Eagles with 18 points and 10 rebounds despite being in pain most of the contest with severe shin problems. Smith continued her strong play with seven points and 4 rebounds and Katie Hettler '04 played well, scoring five points and grabbing seven rebounds in her first career start in place of Franks. The Bison still missed Franks' presence out on the court.

"She gets overlooked because she may not always have the highest point total, but what she always does is rebound, play defense and all the intangibles that win games," fellow co-captain Creamer said. "We are definitely not as strong of a team without someone as good as Kate out there, but the young guys battled hard like always and stepped up. We're learning and trying to pick out the positives from these bumps we are taking."

The Bison headed to Lehigh Feb. 11, determined to pay the Mountain Hawks back for an earlier Bison loss, another learning bump that soured the opening of Sojka Pavilion. The Bison trailed from the very beginning and could not muster the energy to overcome a key second half Lehigh run as the Orange and Blue's road trip struggles continued with a 68-61 setback.

Lehigh started the game shooting the lights with an impressive 13-2 run that gave them a comfortable 18-8 lead. The Bison worked hard to claw their way back into the game and were finally ignited by five points from Katie Hettler '04 in a 26-second span. The teams exchanged punches for the next few minutes before the Bison caught fire. Guided by a relentless defense that forced 10 first half turnovers, the Orange and Blue mounted a 12-0 run to end the half on top 32-27. Bucknell played inspired basketball during the stretch with a mental focus that reminded fans of the good old days.

"In athletics, mental preparation is key," Smith said. "You have to see yourself playing hard and making shots. You have to know going into a game that you're going to get hit, bruised and knocked around, but ultimately be ready and rise to the challenge."

As was the case in previous games, the Bison just could not seem to play 40 minutes of basketball as fatigue and cold shooting again ruined their efforts. Lehigh's first possession of the second half was a three-pointer from Carli Tolliver and was a glimpse of things to come. The Bison responded to Tolliver's three by working their lead up to five, 43-37. Lehigh would not go quietly as they continued to hit key shots both from long range and with the shot clocking winding down and each basket took a little more energy away from the Orange and Blue.

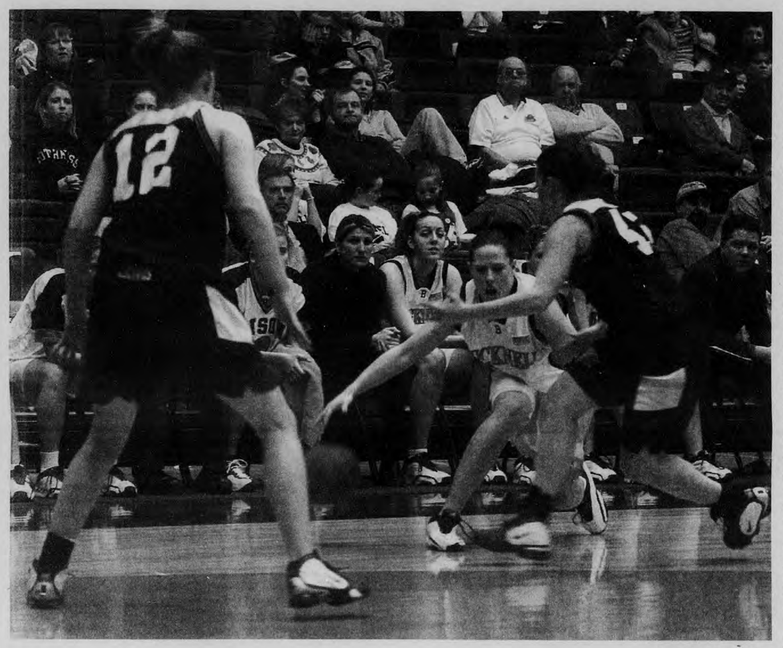
Lehigh snatched the lead 49-44 with less than 15 minutes left and would never give it back. The Mountain Hawks continued their onslaught shooting 54 percent from downtown to charge an 8-0 run that gave them a 57-48 lead. Bucknell fought hard to get back into the game, but their shots were not falling and could not gather the strength to make key defensive stands en route to a disappointing 68-61 defeat.

Franks scored 14 of her game-high 17 points in the second half and Hettler continued her surging play with 9 points and 8 rebounds. Almind continued her inspiring play, registering 13 points and 11 rebounds despite aching shins and a sprained ankle.

Creamer, the nation's leading scorer, tallied 20 points without her usual quick burst due to tired legs.

"Molly is such a great competitor. She is a kid who cares so much that she takes every loss personally," Head Coach Kathy Fedorjaka said. "I don't know if it is so much that she is physically worn down as she is mentally. She has played a lot of minutes and we need some people to step up, carry the load and take some pressure off of her."

Catch the Bison in action Sunday as they welcome ESPN 2 to Sojka Pavilion for their 2 p.m. clash against Navy.



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Kate Franks '03 performs a crossover in a recent game against Lafayette. Franks led the team in scoring with 17 against Lehigh.

Sports Profile: Jamie Flick

By Josh Herwitt
Staff Writer

Eyes around the Patriot League at last week's Lehigh meet quickly turned to notice the up-and-coming swimming phenomenon, Jamie Flick '05. Her fast times in the breast stroke and individual medley have been an integral component in the team's success throughout the season, especially during the always-crucial Patriot League play.

With strong performances out of Flick and other teammates, the women's swimming team could be looking forward to a Patriot League title.

"The women's team has so much diversity and depth with a strong upper class, and a huge freshman class as well. If we keep performing like we've been, a Patriot League title is definitely in our midst," Flick said.

Flick and her teammates' performances in the relay events at the Lehigh meet last week played a critical role in the team's goal to capturing the Patriot League title.

"Relays are so important because they involve a team effort instead of just one individual. This weekend all of the relays were just completely psyched up and wanted to win so everything went perfectly," Flick said. "Fast starts are a key part to relays, and I think that was one important factor that gave us the edge this past weekend."

Flick's success at the Lehigh meet was no surprise to her. Her ambition and diligence created much of the success displayed at the Lehigh meet.

"She's got an incredible work ethic and she sets high goals for herself, which drive her every day in practice," Head Coach Jerry Foley said.

These goals that Foley speaks of were evident in Flick's recent success at the Lehigh meet.

"I always go into every meet with goal times that are usually faster than I normally swim in the regular season. I wasn't really expecting to see those times before the Patriot League Championships. Last year against Lehigh I had a terrible meet, because I let the pressure get to me, so this year I just wanted to prove to myself that I could stay focused and come out on top. Plus my whole family, lots of friends and even my high school coach came to the meet, so that made it even more special and motivating," Flick said.

With this new attention drawn upon Flick at the Lehigh meets, her team looks for her to progress and continue to her fast times, which would help bring them closer to the Patriot League title. Her coaches had expected Flick to dominate meets, but they were surprised at her new level of performance.

"She's the top rated breast stroker in the Patriot League, so we expected her to win every event. What was surprising was how fast she swam," Foley said.

Currently, the women's swimming team has been practicing hard in search of another Patriot League title. The coaching staff has continued to push its swimmers to challenge themselves and perform their best for the upcoming Patriot League Championships.

"Practice is going very well, we are beginning to reduce yardage so we can rest for Patriots. The coaches are as motivating as ever, coming up with great quotes and swimming articles to fire us up. The team is also very excited for patriots this year, and it shows through our practice habits. Everyone is working tremendously hard and encouraging one another constantly.

The coaches have done a good job putting us into groups, based on how much we need to rest, and the end result should be extremely rewarding and pleasing to every member of the team," Flick said.

With this positive attitude circulating throughout teammates and coaching staff, the Patriot League Championships could be very promising for many of the Bucknell women's swimmers. Look for superb performances from Flick and her teammates to propel the team to greatness.

Courtesy of Athletic Communications

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"Cara made a huge contribution to our program last year as a freshman," Jamieson said. "His confidence level is now even higher having one year of college-level play under his belt."

Kelly Hogue '03 and Wes Fetchet '04 will also be on the attack. Hogue scored important goals down the stretch of games last year and Fetchet was sorely missed by the Bison after he went down with a knee injury. Fetchet was the Patriot League Rookie of the year two years ago.

Also greatly missed by the Bison last year was John Terracciano '03, who also went down with a knee injury in the Harvard game last season. Terracciano tallied a solid eight goals and eight assists in 2001 and was the major playmaker for the Bison.

"It's great to have Fetchet and Terracciano back," Sussman said. "They were sorely missed and it's going to help our transition game and finishing ability to have them out there."

As usual the Bison's schedule will be tough with six of their 13 opponents ranked in the preseason top-25. Patriot League foes Army (No. 20) and Hobart (25) join Maryland (5), North Carolina (9), Penn State (16) and Harvard on the Herd's challenging schedule. The Bison, who are currently ranked 24th in the preseason rankings,, are confident that they can stifle any national powerhouse.

A young defense could be the key factor in determining how far up in the rankings the Bison can move this year. Blaise Fletcher '04, Ned Hare '05 and Reece Pacheco will be the main players protecting Sussman.

"We've put a lot of the pieces of the puzzle together," Sussman said. "We've got a great defense that will help me out, giving me easy balls to save that will help our transition get going."

The University lacrosse program has come a long way since the early days of Jamieson's career. The team is looking to make this a year as memorable as the 1996 season. But if they're going to do it, they'll have to beat the best, which will start with next weekend's game against 9th-ranked North Carolina.

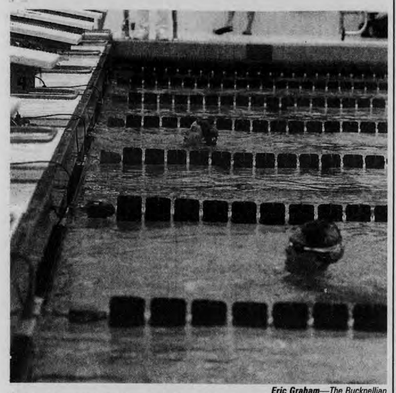
The Bison realize that they can't be the best without beating the best and that part of the reason they are now nationally recognized is because Jamieson prefers that his team plays the best of the best.

"It's always good to play the good guys," Jamieson said. "We're looking up at them right now and we're going to get after them. To be ranked 24th in the preseason is nice for recruiting and advertising the school, but we'll be disappointed if we're not higher than that at the end of the season."

Sports

Women have high hopes

After an undefeated dual meet season, the Bison expectantly head into Patriots



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Lectie Altman '06 finishes the 200-yard backstroke against Lehigh. Altman, a backstroke and freestyle specialist, has already posted times in her events that would place her in the top five in three events for Patriots.

By Stephen Schwanhausser
Staff Writer

After last week's decisive win over Lehigh and the completion of an undefeated dual meet season, the women's swimming and diving team is looking ahead to the Patriot League Championship meet to be held at home in Kinney Natatorium on February 20-22.

The women ended their season last year with losses only to Navy and American and a close finish at championships where the placed second, only 30 points behind Navy. Losing only two seniors to graduation and with the addition of a strong first-year class, this year's team has been highly successful. Not only have they gone undefeated for the first time in school history, but no other league team has even put up much of a fight. Now only a week out from the 2003 Patriot League Championship the Bison women are certainly the favorite for this year's title. A quick review of the team's strengths provides even greater insight into its past and upcoming success.

Senior co-captains Becky Dolan and Darby Golino lead the team. Dolan placed 11th in both the mile and 200 butterfly at last year's championship, and with added confidence and training should final in both these events along with the 500 free in this year's meet. Golino was one of the top contributors in last year's championship, placing 2nd in both the 100 and 200 backstrokes with a 5th place finish in the 200 IM. Going into the 2003 meet she is seeded 1st in all three of these events.

"I am very pleased with my seed times. I have been faster in season this year than ever before and more importantly the team is set up to finish strongly," Golino said. "I have complete confidence in us as individuals and as a team. There is no reason why we should not bring home a trophy this year."

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The Class of 2004 is led by a group of freestylers in sprinter Meghan Freese, mid-distance swimmer Jen Cancro and distance specialist Daniela Faas. Freese was 1st in the 50 last year and 2nd in the 100 free. She won the 50 in a time of 24.10 last year, and already this season she has recorded 24.12 in the event. Cancro placed 3rd in the 200, 500 and 1,650 freestyles last year and should be a medal winner in these three events again at this year's meet. Faas placed 1st in the 1650, 2nd in the 500 and 3rd in the 400 IM in 2002. With the graduation of her top competition from Lehigh, Faas has the ability to garner 1st place finishes in all three of these events in the upcoming competition.

Jamie Flick, who placed 2nd in both the 100 and 200, leads the sophomores. She has nearly beaten her times from last year's meet already this season and the potential for her to be a champion in the breast strokes is very high. Jackie Feinthel looks to join Cancro and Faas in the freestyle events as she placed 5th in the mile and 8th in the 500 free last year. Her places hardly tell her ability, for her best times are competitive among the top three. This talent gives the Bison the possibility of sweeping the distance events at Championships.

Recruiting went well last year, and Head Coach Jerry Foley was able to bring in strong swimmers in the form of Lectie Altman and Mary Krakowski. Altman, a backstroke and freestyle specialist, has already posted times in her events, which would place her in the top 5 in all three events. Joining Golino in the backstroke and Cancro in the 200 free, the combination could seize multiple medal swims for the Bison. Coming out of her senior year in high school, Krakowski would have won last year's 100 butterfly. She is a strong addition, not only to the stroke group but to the medley relays as well. Krakowski helped secure a school record in the 200 medley relay when the Bison swam against Lehigh. Additional first-year support comes in the form of Vanessa Scaringi in the IM and Melissa Capparell in the breast stroke.

Overall, the women's team is in a position to dominate this year's competition.

"I have full confidence in the team's position. There is no reason that we can't win. The team has posted incredibly fast times already this year, and with the addition of our new complex and a great training trip, we have really put ourselves in a winning situation," Assistant Coach Kathleen O'Dell said. "I would like nothing more than to see the girls win this year at home."

Come out and support the Bison next Thursday as they work to seal their undefeated dual meet season with a final win at the Patriot League Championships.

Bison fall to American

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"We gave them better looks than we would have liked at times," Hardenbergh said. "They hit some tough shots though at times and you have got to give it to them in that respect."

Bucknell hung in for most of the game, trailing 48-41 midway through the second half, thanks to first-year student Kevin Bettencourt's '06 career-best 20 points. The Bison were plagued by 21 careless turnovers throughout, and missed an open layup and three front-ends of 1-and-1s on four consecutive possessions, while trailing by the seven-point margin. American went on a 9-0 run later in the half, which proved to seal the deal.

Bettencourt was 7 of 14 from the floor and pulled down another career-high six rebounds. He talked about his career accomplishments.

"I was happier about the rebounding because that is something that I have been trying to get more involved in," Bettencourt said. "The coaches really have been working with me on getting more aggressive with boxing out and going to get the ball. I was just disappointed because we lost and it is hard to really enjoy those numbers."

Lalugba only attempted seven shots from the field, had 14 points and turned the ball over eight times. Lalugba reflected on both his miscues and those of the team.

"We turned the ball over too many times in the beginning of the game," Lalugba said. "It's tough playing good defense for 30 seconds and then coming down on the other end of the floor and turning it over after two passes. I take responsibility for a lot of the turnovers because I tried to force the issue too much. I didn't let the game come to me, and in result I turned the ball over eight times. I just have to learn from that game and be smarter with the ball."

Bucknell shot 60 percent from the foul line and allowed 70 points for the first time in 11 games. The team entered the contest ranked 7th nationally in points allowed per game. The Bison must bring their stellar defense back tonight against a Navy squad that scored 66 points on Bucknell their last meeting with each other in Annapolis. Bettencourt explained what the squad needs to do to be ready for the physical Midshipmen.

"I just think we have to continue to work hard, and I think that the more patient we are on offense and the better we take care of the ball will make playing defense easier," Bettencourt said. "Right now we are taking quick shots and turning the ball over so much that we end up playing defense for 30 out of the 40 minutes, and that is just wearing us down."

Hardenbergh said for the upcoming matchup with Navy the Bison will have to handle its rough style of play.

"I think we just have to match them physically by being strong with the ball and boxing out," Hardenbergh said. "They are the type of team that uses offensive rebounds to provide their offense at times. We have got to help inside on their big men because they have some pretty strong kids."

Bucknell will host Navy tonight at 9 p.m., a game that will be televised on Patriot League television.

Tennis drops four straight

By Pat Evans
Sports Editor

The Bison men's tennis team dropped its first four spring season matches last weekend at the Cornell Duals, but the focus was the valuable experience gained. The women's tennis team has been practicing daily in preparation for upcoming matches.

The men's team struggled in its first bout against Cornell, winning none of the six matches that they played. The second matches against Niagra did allow for one winner as Don Whaley '06 and Aaron Superstein '06 teamed up to win the doubles event.

The team's most successful matches of the weekend came against Buffalo, in which Asher Salaam '06 and Joe Menezes '05 won the three and four spots, respectively.

Although as a team the Bison did not win any of the four matches that weekend, they remain positive about the overall outcome.

"I feel that the weekend went well and we faced four very good teams. We got a lot of match experience which will pay off when we start our Patriot League matches," Assistant Coach Sean Monaghan said.

The men's squad has a one-month hiatus from competition before it travels to Hilton, S.C., to take on Rhodes College over spring break. The Bison hope to use that time to improve their play.

"The men will be focusing on skill work, match play drills, sport-specific conditioning drills to help with their movement," Monaghan said. "In addition, they will be using a lot of live ball drilling that focus on match play situations in which we can focus on strategy."

The women's team had originally been scheduled to play this coming weekend at St. Francis, but the matches have been canceled due to court unavailability. The team has been practicing daily, including a rigorous weight room training regiment that the Bison hope will help them in their upcoming match against St. Bonaventure.

The Bison, who were 9-9 overall last year and 1-4 in the Patriot League, have been picked to finish 4th in the league, a prediction that may have been influenced by some recent team injuries sustained. Three of the top six women have been unable to practice in the preseason and will likely miss some matches.

"Our team does have good depth," Head Coach Rebecca Helt said. "But when three players are hurt it changes the whole picture. Our team has been very good about responding. We haven't complained and have continued to work hard. Hopefully we will be a full team by spring break."

Captain Samantha Berthod '04, a three-year letter winner, will lead the team this year. Also contributing against St. Bonaventure will be Veronica Brown '06, Tonya Sichko '05 and Chelsea Mills '06.

"We expect to go into our first matches and play strong and we expect to win," Helt said. "We want to start our season off with a bang."

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seed times in the 200-meter dash with times of 21.80 and 22.00 seconds, respectively. Then Newberger and Brian Klotz '03 ran under 50 in the 400. Not to be outdone, Eric Furst '03 (4:11) keyed off of teammate Lou Palma '03 (4:12) in the mile, as both hit the IC4A qualifying mark.

The men's 5K saw five personal bests, with Dan Lounsbury '05 leading the way with a personal best (:48) by way of a 4:46 last mile. In the 3K, Bryan Johnston, who was recently named Patriot League Scholar Athlete of the year for the 2002 cross country season, continued a fine season with a relaxed win, just shy of his best time.

Away from the track, the men had mixed results. The jumpers and vaulters were solid, led by Jeff Arek '03, who vaulted 14-11 on his first attempt and had some close calls at 15-05. Powell did well in the long jump and triple jumper Mike Mellas '04 had a 2-foot best.

The throwers had a rough day. Making the day even tougher was seeing national class athlete Kevin Toth throw a monstrous 69 feet in the shot put.

The Lady Bison were led by Charity Brady '03, with her ECAC qualifying 400 run. Nicki Piper '03 barely missed the ECAC mark by herself in the 800 and with teammates Amy Calvo '05, Monique Boley '05 and Brady in the 4x400 relay, but feels confident that the times will come. Kiley MacDonald '05 broke 26 in the 200, just ahead of teammate, Rehana Lanewala '05, who is recovering from illness.

Other notable women on the track included Jen Marsh '05 in the mile and Calvo in the 400. In the throwing circle, Angie McFarland led the women in the weight throw and in the shot, with a put of 41 feet.

The fast times and big marks will allow some to take a break before leagues, while others will be hoping to build on the momentum.

"Now that I know what I'm capable of running, I feel as though I should push myself even farther. We still have Patriot Leagues in a couple weeks, so I want to make sure that I continue to run hard," Charity Brady '03 said after her 400 ECAC qualifying run.

Bucknell hosts its last home indoor meet of the season with the Bucknell Winter Classic tomorrow.

"It's my last indoor home meet, so I'd like to run well here at the Fieldhouse one more time," Brady said.

Head Coach Kevin Donner is realistic about the team's chances this weekend.

"I call this weekend playing defense," Donner said. "Most of our athletes will not be running numerous events. We will try to fine-tune our team to prepare for Patriot League.

Some of our top people may not even compete. A few need to improve on a seed time to get into the fast heats at leagues. Overall, I just want to come out of the meet on Saturday healthy."

Sports Profile: Amy Calvo

Courtesy of Athletic Communications

By Josh Herwitt
Staff Writer

Over the last two seasons, the superb performances displayed by track star Amy Calvo '05 have people quickly noticing her as one of the most dominate women sprinters in the Patriot League. The mark that she has made in less than two seasons is quite remarkable.

Growing up in Lawrenceville, N.J., directly between Princeton and Trenton, Calvo began running track in middle school. From there, she ran the 400-meter dash and the 4x400 relay races for four years in high school, breaking every school record and receiving MVP each year.

Currently, Calvo participates in the 500, the 4x400 relay and the 400, as well as her newest event, the 800. She recently was named Patriot League Runners of the Week and Bull Run Inn Bison Athlete of the Week after capturing 1st place in the 500 with a school record-breaking time of 1 minute, 15.01 seconds. Along with her record in the 500, Calvo helped her team in the 4x400 with a 4th place finish and a time of 3:53.99.

Although her accomplishments are more noticeable in the 500, Calvo prefers competing alongside her teammates.

"I like the 4x400 relay because it is more exciting and the rest of the team normally gets pumped about it as well. It's a great feeling to come around the turn and have a mass of people cheering me and the relay on. I also feel very confident in the girls who are on the team. They always run well. We are also very close so it feels so good when we do well together," Calvo said.

The outstanding achievements that Calvo has already demonstrated have been largely due to her diligence, dedication and high self-expectations. Her impact upon a race is compelling.

"Amy has had a tremendous season thus far. She is the sparkplug on our team. Whenever Amy lines up to run a race, it seems like everyone stops what they are doing to watch her race. That's when a coach knows when an athlete has reached a new level. Amy had an outstanding freshmen year last year and it is great to see that she is still improving at a great level," Head Coach Kevin Donner said.

Although Calvo's recent successes have brought her praise and admiration, there are still the high expectations from her coaches, teammates and fans that she must try to live up to.

"It is always more relaxing when no one has any expectations. Now it's not a nice surprise when I run well—I am supposed to run well. The recognition has felt wonderful but it adds pressure because now people have an expectation of a certain level of competition. I just hope I can live up to those expectations."

Calvo also gives much credit for her success to her fellow teammates and their encouragement and support.

"The three girls I run with have had a particular influence on me because they just make practice so much more enjoyable and they are so encouraging. There are always days where one of us is tired and wants to slack, but the other three are always there to make sure we keep going. They are great to have as training partners and just increase the level of practice so much more," Calvo said. "The team has also been a great influence on me, especially last year getting to see the success of the older girls on the team. It gave me people I wanted to emulate like Stef Bango and Tanya McSwain. The team as a whole is made up of great people to be around. It is motivating to be around them because everyone is working to achieve the same goal."

With two more years left at the University, many are looking toward Calvo for more great things to come for the track team.

Arts & Entertainment

New York poet slams crowd of 250

Will Minehart—The Bucknellian

Kamal Symonette-Dixon, featured New York poet at the poetry slam, performs at the 7th Street Café Saturday night. Josh Fisher '04, Phil Martoma '05 and Joe Trullinger '03 were the winners of the slam.

By Stephanie Malenich
Writer

A crowd of about 250 students and Lewisburg community members filed into the 7th Street Café, packing the venue wall to wall, anticipating the third installment in the Bucknell Poetry Slam Series. Headlining the event was New York slam poet Kamal Symonette-Dixon, 3rd-place finisher at the 2002 National Poetry Slam, an accomplished actor and poet.

Following a brief open microphone, Symonette-Dixon set the pace for the rest of the evening, infusing the crowd with energy. Offering poems ranging from mock-love poems to a Sept. 11 remembrance piece, Symonette-Dixon enthralled the crowd, showing the University just how far slam can take a poet and poetry.

"It's not the boring, methodical stuff that was always forced down my throat in high school," Charissa Reimer '05 said.

Keeping the slam rolling, the University's slam celebrity, Aaron DeRosa '03, hosted the event. The student competition featured 11 student poets, divided into three groups and three individuals. Rebecca Wadlinger '06, Chad North '06 and Mary Pancoast '06 forming the group "Funk Masta Becca and Dawgs," performed the highest scoring poem of the night, "I was slammed by Aaron DeRosa." With a score of 29.6, it beat sophomore Phil Martoma's poem, "This is a Poem About Jesus" by only 1.3 points.

Martoma's team, "My Relationship with Your Mom," comprised of Martoma, Joe Trullinger '03 and Josh Fisher '04, won in the end, beating out "Becca and the Dawgs" by 0.2 points, the closest margin in Bucknell Slam history. The prize for the evening was a Scorpion Dirt Devil. Added to the prize was the Slam hammer, or "The Slammer," a new addition to the Bucknell Poetry Slam Series tradition. "The Slammer" will be marked with the names of the new winners and boasts the names of previous slam winners.

Slam poetry is best described as competitive performance poetry. It is essentially a contest in which participants partake in three rounds, performing their own work, which is scored by a group of judges randomly selected from the crowd. The judges award each poem an individual score, and then the scores are added together, with the lowest and highest being thrown out, to produce the final total for a round. Scoring ranges from a 0-10, 10 being the best score possible.

Although this event is essentially a competition, it is more a unique chance for poets to express themselves and their work to an attentive audience of their peers.

"Slam poetry is important at Bucknell for the same reason that all of our literary magazines are so vital to the campus—students need a place to voice themselves," Kristin Robbins '03 said. "Bucknell can be a stifling environment, and then you find yourself in front of a crowd of people cheering on your poetry, and more importantly, what you have to say."

The poets were very passionate about their poems and the ideas they expressed through them. It obviously excited them to have this rare opportunity to use their creativity to articulate issues of importance to them.

"It is exciting for me to see someone ... get up there, let go of their inhibitions and give it all they've got," Christina Macmillan '05 said. "Slamming a poem gives you a sense of freedom and strength that, as a poet, can be hard to find anywhere else."

"I always enjoyed attending [slams], and now I'm hooked on it since my first slam participation last semester. I love having the opportunity to compete. Aaron always finds wonderful feature poets and Bucknell offers some stunning writers as well," participating poet Emily Izbicki '05 said. "Slams are the best thing since that blue hat."

"BarberShop" is not your typical "Friday" movie

By Dave Merin
Writer

Ice Cube in an urban comedy sounds like one of those "Friday" movies. I mean after "Friday," "Next Friday," and "Friday After Next." What else would I expect out of the rapper-turned-actor?

"BarberShop" opens with the incompetent robbery of an ATM machine from a convenience store in the middle of the night, a scene that could be stripped from one of Ice Cube's earlier movies. Cut to the next morning, when Calvin (Ice Cube) is opening his barbershop across the street.

Calvin inherited the shop from his father two years also. It has been in his family and a part of the community for 40 years. Calvin has been having financial troubles since he blew all his money, including loans against the barbershop, on get rich quick schemes. Rather than saving the barbershop, Calvin passes his days thinking about how to spend his money once he strikes gold.

Calvin's first visit of the day is from a banker who says that the bank is going to foreclose on the barbershop, unless Calvin turns it around. After considering his options, Calvin decides to take up a local loan shark on his offer to buy the barbershop and turn it into a strip club.

The movie shows the hilarious antics of the employees and patrons of the barbershop and the local community. By the end of the day, Calvin realizes all that he has taken for granted and wishes that he had never agreed to sell the shop.

What really separates "BarberShop" from most other comedies is that it conveys a meaning that is more than just another punch line. The movie shows the difference between today's "no-work-ethic, get-rich-quick" youth and yesterday's hard working youth.

Whether you're in the mood for just another comedy or a solid movie with a real message, there's something for everyone in "BarberShop."

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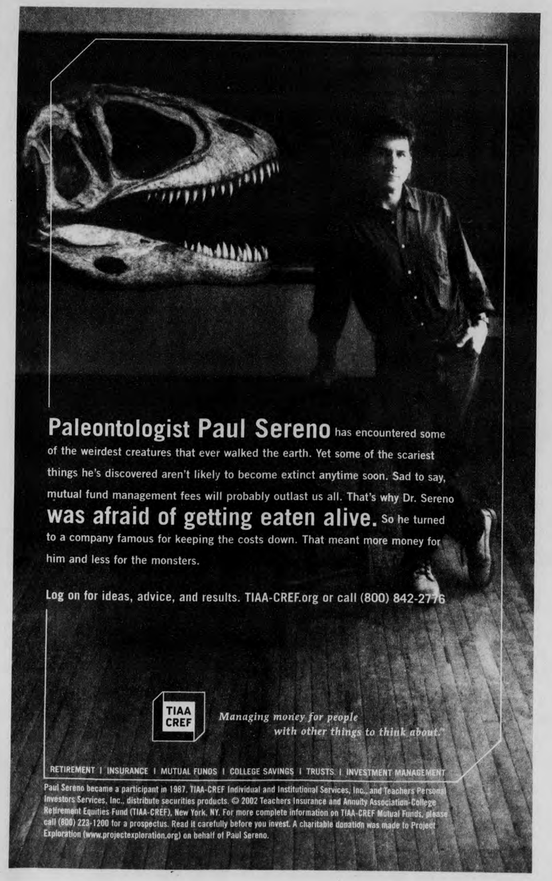

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String quartet celebrates 25th anniversary with University

By Julianna Pietak
Senior Writer

Twenty-five years ago, a group of talented musicians performed its first concert at the University. This same group, the Fitzwilliam String Quartet, celebrated their anniversary Sunday night with a concert that was as exceptional as it was commemorative.

In 1978, Professor of Music Barry Hannigan had just arrived on campus after his education at the Eastman School of Music. He was not the only musician to arrive on campus that September. The Fitzwilliam String Quartet was also to make its University debut that month. The string quartet, made up of two violins, a viola and a violoncello, needed a pianist and asked Hannigan to perform in this first concert.

"Having them to play with was wonderful. They were high quality musicians and they were willing to play with a new professor—they were not only willing to play with me, but they wanted to play with me. This was wonderful," Barry Hannigan said. "[It was] the most memorable experience I've had with them—a first recital sets your reputation and your mood as a musician."

Concert Review

The anniversary of this collaboration was celebrated with the performance of the Piano Quintet in F minor, Op. 34, by Johannes Brahms. Hannigan joined the members of the Fitzwilliam String Quartet: Lucy Russell, Jonathan Sparey, Alan George and Nicola Baxter. The first movement of what Hannigan called a "fabulous" piece began mellow, then built in drama.

There was a blend of all five of the instruments performing, building and moving as a single unit. Despite the constant sense of motion and progress, this movement retained an air of beauty, not harshness, even during the more dramatic sections.

Andante, un poco Adagio, the second movement, began with warm chords in the piano. The piano and strings then played off each other, often performing quite different parts, in a beautiful and lyrical combination.

The third movement of this Brahms quintet, Scherzo: Allegro, was perhaps the most powerful. It set the mood in the beginning with a string of steady beats in the cello and the piano. This movement was amazingly powerful, dynamic and dramatic. Even the slower sections had an inner tension of motion and energy. Ending this piece was the final movement, Poco sostenuto Allegro non troppo. This segment began with slow, lyrical strains in all of the instruments playing, building and echoing off of each other. The whole piece personified the beauty of Romantic power and energy.

This energy stood out to music major Colin Aherne '05.

"They played with such vitality. You couldn't help but listen," Aherne said.

The program began with a Trio in D major, Op.25, for flute, violin and viola, by Franz Joseph Haydn and Beethoven's Serenade in D major, Op. 25, for flute, violin and viola. Both featured Professor of Music Mary Hannigan on flute. This combination of instruments utilized the unique blend of the cool, sweet sound of the flute with the warm, lyrical timbre of strings.

The Haydn piece highlighted the flute with the melody at the beginning while the quartet provided accompanying support. As the piece continued, these two increased in balance, and the piece grew in harmonic complexity.

This increasingly complicated sound was also a characteristic of Beethoven's Serenade. As the movements continued, they became more intricate in harmony and form. By the last of the six movements, there were three identifiable style changes.

This high quality repertoire is characteristic of the Fitzwilliam String Quartet. It has even achieved renown "The Shostakovich Quartet," due to its close personal association with the famous composer. It has achieved this prominence despite several personnel changes. Hannigan lists these changes as the biggest in their group dynamic.

"Personnel makes all the difference in the world, even with one new member it is a different air with a different mix. It has really been four different quartets based on different people," Hannigan said. "However, this is not to say that any have been better or worse, everyone just has something different to add to the mix."

Regardless, the fact that the group has remained in existence for 25 years is remarkable to Hannigan.

"There aren't many string quartets that play together for this long," Hannigan said.

Two of the quartet members, Jonathan Sparey and Alan George, have been playing with the group continuously since their first performance at the University. A quarter century later, this most recent residency featured two additional concerts, as well as lecture demonstrations and teaching for existing music classes on campus. The Fitzwilliam String Quartet continues to visit the University year after year for many reasons.

"They have friends here, they love the students here, they just truly love Bucknell," Hannigan said.

Arts & Entertainment

"Phrenology" elevates The Roots

By Chad Flood
Senior Writer

Far too many rap acts today are little more than pop bands in Fubu clothing. Between the bubblegum beats of Nelly and the short-lived craze of whomever P. Diddy is promoting that week, it seems that lasting hip-hop artists like Run-DMC and Dr. Dre are of the past. There is little difference between most mainstream rappers, disappointing when considering the genre's cultural and controversial history.

Six guys from Philadelphia aim to change the current direction of hip-hop. The Roots broke out of their underground status with 1999's acclaimed album "Things Fall Apart," for which the song "You Got Me" won both a Grammy and a move into popular culture.

In addition to writing thought-provoking lyrics, the Roots also play their own instruments, backed Jay-Z at his recent MTV Unplugged performance and even opened for the Dave Matthews Band. It was only a matter of time before they started to experiment more with their unique sound.

The first musical track, "Rock You," from their latest album ("Phrenology"), intends to do just that, with a solid rock influence. In addition, the album's most intriguing track, "The Seed," sees The Roots completely break away from the traditional rap beat in exchange for a more indie-rock sound.

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The album is still full of heavy hitting hip-hop sounds. The dance tune "Water" maintains a steady beat, eventually giving way to a jazzy jam band feel, and the R&B styled "Pussy Galore" makes most current rap ballads sound weak.

The Roots' biggest draw, it seems, is in their desire to experiment and stay away from any single musical category. They have had experience working with a wide range of artists, include Erykah Badu, Nelly Furtado and Musiq.

They are among the few groups to have associations outside of the hip-hop community without forgetting where they came from.

Philadelphia has certainly played a role in the stardom of many individuals, including Will Smith, Elton John and Kobe Bryant. In The Roots, the city can be proud of a positive, talented rap group that stays true to its namesake.

"The Vagina Monologues" return

V-Day-sponsored play dedicated to ending violence against women, procedes go to SVWIT

By Kristen Habacht
Staff Writer

An incredible opportunity—the power to support the V-Day movement, which promotes a world without violence, and the chance to enjoy a world-famous theatrical production—is available on campus this weekend.

The third annual production of Eve Ensler's "The Vagina Monolgues," directed by Lee Cromwell '05 and Ibby Cizmar '03, will be performed by a cast of female students and faculty members. Some men will perform in the newly added male monologues, giving men a voice to speak out against violence as well.

"I think this has to be one of the best things this campus does in terms of awareness and unity among women," Liisa Britt '04 said.

Many people are confused by "The Vagina Monologues" and the V-Day movement. To some it is a mystery, others know some facts but not all and some oppose the production regardless of its purpose. After Ensler had performed her play in many locations, she created V-day in 1998 in response to hearing about many incidents of rape, incest, domestic battery and genital mutilation. The concept behind V-Day is to increase awareness of women's struggles in a society where they are often silenced, and to raise money for anti-violence organizations. The Bucknell V-Day campaign will be supporting the Susquehanna Valley Women in Transition (SVWIT) organization.

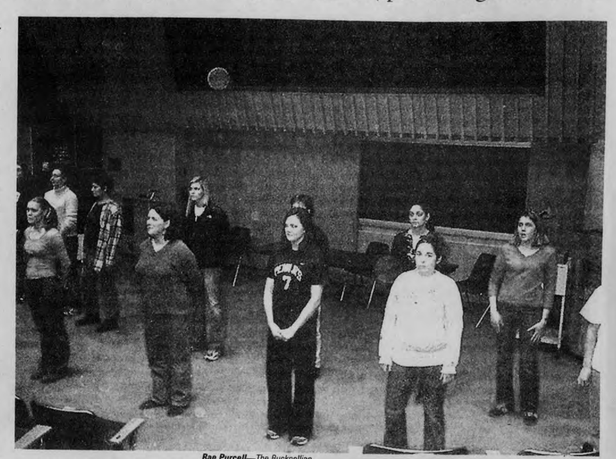
"For a lot of reasons I think this is an important play and movement. I think Eve Ensler is right that we have to imagine a world without violence to women in order to make it a reality and that is what this play does," said Associate Professor of English Jean Peterson, one of the participating faculty members.

"The Vagina Monologues" can be daunting for many people. The name turns many prospective viewers away and the blunt nature of the play can be unappealing to others. It is also an experience that unites many people and the feelings, concepts and stories stay with the viewer long after the curtain falls.

"This is such an important production because it is so multifaceted—it's entertaining, educational, liberating and it touches every emotion," Meredith Field '04 said.

The production is controversial and many people have voiced their disapproval of the production, but it is truly something you should see before you judge.

"I feel that being a director of this show is an incredible opportunity for me as a person. I feel so privileged to work with these talented people about a play and ideas that mean so much to me and are so applicable to everyone," Cromwell said. "My hope for those who come to the show is that, regardless on how they feel about the play, they take away an appreciation and an awareness of the power of Eve's words and what she is saying."



Rae Purcell—The Bucknellian

Top: Students rehearse their monologues for this weekend's shows. Bottom: Director Lee Cromwell '05 oversees final rehearsals. "The Vagina Monologues" will be performed tonight at 5 p.m. and Saturday at 8 p.m.

A new addition to the production this year is monologues performed by men. Though these monologues are not found in the initial production of the play, and none are written by Ensler, many of the men are excited to participate.

"I feel excited to be a part of this event, which I feel is a cause worth working for," Phil Martoma '05 said.

Proceeds will be given to SVWIT. Shows will be performed tonight at 5 p.m. and tomorrow at 8 p.m. in the Harvey Powers Theatre in Coleman Hall. Tickets are $6 in advance and can be purchased through the Weis Center, University Box Offices or in the LC Mall from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. They will also be available at the door for $7.

Ruth Kocher kicks off Drew Darrow Memorial Series

By Beth Kengeter
Writer

Ruth Ellen Kocher gave the inaugural reading for the Drew Darrow Memorial Reading Series last Sunday. The event, at which Kocher read selected poems from her two books, "Desdemona's Fire" and "When the Moon Knows You're Wandering," as well as her soon-to-be-published book "One Girl Babylon," was very well attended.

The poems Kocher read were largely autobiographical, ranging from her love-hate relationship with her native state in "Plea for Pennsylvania," to "Ode for the Woman who on the Day I Earned my Doctorate Mistook me as a Sales Clerk."

Audience members felt the poetry reading was a success.

"I thought it was beautiful," Anjuli White '04 said. "I think my favorite poem was 'Susan's Hair.' It was very interesting how Kocher described her own hair and then searched for a connection with the other girl even though she [the girl] was Caucasian."

Students in the audience related to Kocher's poems about college life.

"My favorite was the one about the red shoes," said Kate Tanita '06, referring to a poem that discusses that one article of clothing every college student owns and her or his friends covet.

Kocher is no stranger to success. Her first book, "Desdemona's Fire," received the Naomi Long Madgett Award and the Green Rose Prize was awarded for her second book, "When the Moon Knows You're Wandering."

Her work has appeared in many journals, including "Ploughshares," "Crab Orchard Review" and "Gettysburg Review," and has been anthologized in "New Sister Voices and New Bones: Contemporary Black Writers in America."

A native of Wilkes-Barre and graduate of Penn State University, Kocher received her M.F.A. and Ph.D. from Arizona State University.

She currently teaches creative writing and African-American literature at the University of Missouri in St. Louis. Kochur offered advice to aspiring poets.

"Read twice as many poems as you write. My biggest surprise is that student poets don't read much poetry," Kochur said.

Kocher was also a former fellow in the Bucknell Seminar for Younger Poets, a program that provides an extended opportunity for undergraduate poets to be guided by established poets and writers.

The poetry reading was the first of the Drew Darrow Memorial Reading Series, honoring the memory of Andrew Darrow '86, who passed away in 1997.

Darrow, a computer science major, was an employee of the University's Writing Center. After graduating from the University, he worked as an actor in New York City.

"The event was lovely, really a perfect beginning to a great new tradition," said John Rickard, associate professor of English and department chair.

Jaclyn Carr—The Bucknellian

Ruth Ellen Kocher shares her poetry at the Drew Darrow Memorial Reading series. Kocher is a former fellow in the Bucknell Seminar for Younger Poets and currently teaches at the University of Missouri in St. Louis.

Excerpt from
"At Home the People Sing"
By Ruth Kocher

This is where the people sing,
far from me,
where winters seem coldest
and the deep call of wilderness
screams through trees into the sore
landscape of quarry cliffs,
where woods turn suddenly into a city
of narrow roads
and the old wander through town
searching for a doorway
to remind them their lives
are not a pain they dream
to remind them they are alive.
These lives are where they sing.

"Read twice as many poems as you write. My biggest surprise is that student poets don't read much poetry."
—Ruth Ellen Kocher, poet

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Love is in the air...

Saint Story

During the rule of Roman Emperor Claudius II, his army was engaged in many battles. The army needed more men, yet they were reluctant to enlist. Claudius felt that married men were less likely to sign up for the army because of their family commitments, and he banned anyone from becoming married or engaged. Valentine, a Roman priest during the reign of Claudius, objected to the ban, and he continued to secretly marry couples. Valentine was caught and sentenced to death. While in jail, he fell in love with a you woman who visited him, and on Feb. 14, he penned her a letter which he signed, "From Your Valentine."

Pope Gelasius I selected Feb. 14 as St. Valentine's Day in 496 A.D.

Cupid Story

Feb. 14 was the feast day of Juno, queen of the ancient Roman gods and goddesses, as well as goddess of women and marriage. This feast was followed by Lupercalia on Feb. 15. During Lupercalia, boys and girls—typically kept separate—were brought together. Young girls wrote their names on slips of paper and placed them in a jar, and the boys then selected a slip. The two would be partners for a period of time ranging from the duration of the feast to a year. At times, the two would even fall in love and get married. Other symbols of Valentine's Day emerge from ancient Rome, such as the figures of Venus, goddess of love, and her son Cupid, whose arrows can cause humans to fall in love.

Two tales of Valentine's Day

Source: www.morristown.com/valentinesday

Valentines replace parking tickets in Lewisburg during February

By Leah Cunningham
A&E Editor

Only 30 seconds too late for Lewisburg's downtown meter, a ticket is about to ruin someone's day. Instead, a pink piece of paper confronts the downtown shopper. It reads: "Lewisburg Loves You! We don't want your day to be ruined by this ticket! Lewisburg Business and Professional Association [LBPA] has therefore offered to pay your fine. Enjoy the rest of your day in town."

Unique to Lewisburg, this valentine is one reason to appreciate the small town and what it has to offer. "Valentine" happens to be the last name of downtown Lewisburg's meter supervisor. This year, the long-standing tradition of being issued a valentine instead of a parking ticket may just fall upon your lucky day. In the efforts to encourage the annual "Lewisburg Loves You" theme, Lewisburg's Downtown Partnership (LDP) is working in conjunction with the LBPA to make parking a more festive experience in honor of Valentine's Day.

The LBPA has offered to pay the parking tickets distributed in February for only those individuals who encounter the parking meter supervisor, Leslie Valentine, in the process of issuing a ticket.

"For this month, we will be paying just for those tickets which are being written while a person is returning to their car. Instead of a ticket, the meter supervisor will give a smile and a valentine," LBPA President Linda Sterling said.

Valentine explained that although it would be convenient at times, she does not have the authority to forgive a parking ticket once she starts writing one. She said that many times she would already start to issue a ticket as people came running across the street to their cars.

> *"I think it's a great idea to give a Valentine instead because it's more fun and a change of pace. People are often pleasantly surprised."*
> —***Leslie Valentine,*** *parking meter supervisor*

"The people who see me at their cars before I start writing a ticket are the lucky ones," Valentine said. "I think it's a great idea to give a valentine instead because it's more fun and a change of pace. People are often pleasantly surprised."

In promoting the Lewisburg Loves You program, the LBPA has paid the parking tickets of between 30 and 40 people for the past three years. While Sterling believes that some people think Lewisburg has unfriendly ordinances, as previously revealed in a survey of Lewisburg residents, she also sees this Valentine's Day initiative as a new and cheerful way to promote positive downtown relations.

"Every day is a little different," Valentine said. "I always meet new people. The other day I was happy to issue valentines to two people I knew who worked in town."

While University students may be on the lookout for valentines instead of tickets, Valentine recalls that within three years of holding her position, she has issued very few "Lewisburg Loves You" tickets to students.

"I gave out four valentines last Tuesday," Valentine said. "I think one woman worked at Bucknell because she had the decal on her car."

One student admitted to receiving a surprise valentine "ticket."

"My brother came to visit me the other week, and he parked outside CVS while we went to lunch and walked around," Robin Griffith '06 said. "Next thing we know, we see a woman about to write a ticket. He [my brother] made it just in time to receive a little pink valentine. I thought it was a nice gesture."

The normal parking ticket costs $3 if paid within 48 hours and $10 if paid after that time.

"It's just that people get annoyed with having to pay a ticket, so people are usually cheerful and very appreciative when they get a valentine instead," Valentine said.

Local television stations have noticed Lewisburg's valentine trend, and the tradition has even received publicity from *USA Today* and *The Harrisburg Daily Patriot*.

"The goal is publicity," Sterling said. "It presents Lewisburg in a light which appreciates its customers. I hope we continue doing this every year."

There are two more weeks left in February, and Valentine is anxious to give out a little Valentine's Day cheer. Valentine encourages people to shop downtown, yet cautions people from "running away" from her, their car or the meter ticket. After all, a quaint and unexpected valentine never hurt anyone.

Cinema Center
Selinsgrove • Susquehanna Valley Mall • 374-2049
Play Dates: Feb. 14 - Feb. 20

The Hours (PG-13) 11:45, 2:15, 4:45, 7:15, 9:50	Kangaroo Jack (PG) 12:30, 2:45, 5, 7:30, 9:45 (6:50 Wed. only)
Jungle Book 2 (G) 12, 2, 4, 6:10, 8:15	Chicago (PG-13) 12, 2:30, 5, 7:30, 10
DareDevil (PG-13) 12:45, 3, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45	The Recruit (R) 1, 4:15, 6:45, 9:15
Darkness Falls (R) 2, 6:30	Just Married (PG-13) 11:30, 4:15, 8:50
About Schmidt 1:15, 3:45, 6:40, 9:20	Final Destination 2 (R) 1:30, 3:45, 7, 9:15
LOTR: Two Towers (PG-13) 12:45, 4:15, 8	Shanghai Knights (PG-13) 12:30, 2:45, 5, 7:15, 9:30
How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days (PG-13) 11:30, 3, 4:30, 7, 9:45	Matinées are shown before 6 p.m. Friday-Monday and on Wednesday this week.

Will you be our Valentine?

E-mail
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"I Love You" around the world

Polish: Kocham ciebie!
Portuguese: Eu te amo!
Malaysian: Saya cinta-mu!
Russian: Ya tyebya lyublyu!
Yiddish: Kh'hob dikh lib!
Danish: Jeg elsker dig!
German: Ich liebe dich!
French: Je t'aime!
Japanese: Kimi o ai shiteru!
Latin: Te amo!

According to www.travlang.com/languages/iloveyou.html

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What would make a special Valentine's Day for you? What was the best one ever?

"My best Valentine's Day was when I was sick and my boyfriend bought me a bouquet of sweetheart roses, teddy bear and a bowl of soup."
—Schuyler Pierce '05

"Stef T.D. Anderson, Jess Royston and Dana DePalma sit down to a candlelight dinner in my room. They all cook me dinner and then we watch a movie. Then I tell them that I'm not worth $50 million."
—Billy Duffy '06

"A nice dinner, flowers and being with the guy I care about."
—Diana Scheerbaum '05

"I'd like to get to see my girlfriend in Michigan."
—Marc Rogers '05

"I met my boyfriend on Valentine's Day on a ski trip in high school. We skied together all day."
—Laurie Seeley '05

"This year will be my boyfriend's ultimate Valentine's Day because I got him a book about increasing Web site traffic—he's a computer science major."
—Becky Champagne '03

"Dinner, white roses and watching the stars up by the Observatory, I like the classic Valentine's Day."
—Jaifi Lewis '03

"[I'd like to] go to the Poconos and watch 'Family Guy' all day."
—Joe Pullano '05

"Not cry for once—just kidding!"
—Nate Young '06

"My best Valentine's Day was when my current boyfriend and I were first dating. I had to work, and he came and brought me a rose."
—Kim Cocoros '04

"Spending time with my girlfriend."
—Thomas Bennett '06

Flowers: more than meets the eye

Carnation
fascination
Red—admiration, "my poor heart"
Pink—I'll never forget you
Yellow—disdain
White—sweet, lovely
Striped—refusal

Daffodils
regard

Daisy
innocence

Iris
communication, faith, hope

Lilac
Purple—first love
White—youthful, innocence

Lily
pride, beauty

Marigold
grief

Orchid
love, beauty, refinement

Rhododendron
danger

Roses
love
Red—passion
Yellow—friendship
Pink—romance, first love
Peach—desire to "close the deal," request for intercourse
White—purity

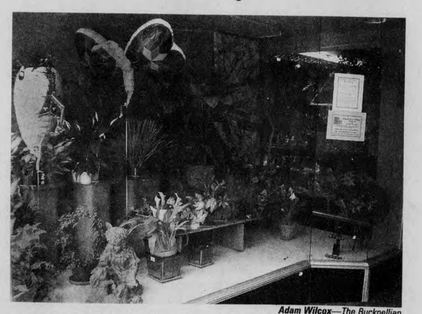
Snapdragon
presumption

Tuberose
illicit pleasures

Tulip
fame
Red—declaration of love
Yellow—unrequited love

Violet
modesty
Blue—faithful devotion; virtue

Zinnia
lasting friends



Adam Wilcox—The Bucknellian
Stein's Flowers on Market Street is decorated for Valentine's Day. The store has various bouquets available to purchase for a sweetheart.

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Bucknell Brigade brings aid to Nicaragua

By Jolene Hart
Senior Editor

Until about a month ago, the term "culture shock" was one that I had heard plenty about, yet never fully understood. Before spending a year abroad in Europe, I had been advised by family, friends and professors that I should prepare for anxiety that would come naturally from spending time in a new environment. Somehow I just didn't feel it.

Although my worldview was broadened significantly during those months abroad, I could hardly consider myself "shocked" by a continent that boasts technology, economy and development much like our own. It wasn't until I had the opportunity to travel to Nicaragua as a member of the Bucknell Brigade that I felt what it truly meant to be overwhelmed by another culture and stunned by its means of existence.

My first hint of the rarity of the Brigade experience came as our plane touched down in Managua, Nicaragua and I thought for an instant, "Maybe this isn't such a great idea," realizing that the next week of my life was going to push my physical and emotional limits.

Twenty-five other student and staff volunteers from the University were seated around me on that plane, each with unique backgrounds and perhaps even different reasons for joining the Bucknell Brigade, though all possessing the same compassion, social conscience, open-mindedness and energy that seems to characterize all who involve themselves in the mission.

A delegation of Bucknellians has traveled to Nicaragua on a humanitarian aid mission twice each year since 1998, when Hurricane Mitch devastated the country. It was then that Nicaragua became the poorest country in all of Latin America.

What was impressed upon us in the weeks before our departure was the fact that the desperation in Nicaragua was not caused by a single natural disaster; rather, it had been developing for decades and Hurricane Mitch was its culmination.

In short, we knew that the foreign involvement of our own country had in some way contributed to the conditions we were about to experience.

Each brigade has aided the people of Nicaragua, specifically the town of Nueva Vida, in its own distinct way, working to build shelter and a health clinic and to provide medical supplies to a community in desperate need. The January 2003 brigade departed with the goal of continuing the construction of a women's health care facility, though we came away with so much more.

Although we arrived after dark at Jubilee House Community (JHC), an American non-profit organization with international mission status in Nicaragua that served as our hosts, we could still sense the intensity of Nicaragua's tropical climate in the humid air that made the dust from the dirt roads stick to our skin.

Our lodging would be a volunteer dorm, not yet completed, which we shared with a quantity of spiders, scorpions and geckos that passed freely through the yet-unscreened windows and doors. Sleeping that first night wasn't easy, in spite of our fatigue and the fact that we would begin intense work the next day.

After awakening to a racket of barking dogs, chattering birds and a rooster, we tried our first (of many) servings of rice and beans and traveled to the town of Nueva Vida, the core of our mission.

The distance to the town was minimal, though made arduous by the giant craters and obstacles that dotted the dusty road. Herds of cattle and oxen pulling carts passed around us as our driver skillfully maneuvered the small bus. On either side we could look out onto mounds of trash that crowded the road. From my seat, I watched the children and animals passing among it and felt an overwhelming sense of helplessness. The air was thick with smoke from the fires that had been set to burn away some of the garbage; small piles of ash smoldered every few yards.

I thought I had imagined what extreme poverty would look like, but the truth is that I had no idea. I think that only experience can convey the power of such a realization. The staggering immediacy of the Nicaraguan need was enough to make me nauseous and guilt-stricken at my own way of life. It was difficult to internalize that these conditions exist at the same time as our own society, and the knowledge that we could easily pick up and return home was suddenly more of a burden than a comfort.

Courtesy of Jolene Hart

Seniors Katie Kohn and Jolene Hart spend time with a Nicaraguan girl. The Bucknell Brigade went on a mission in Nueva Vida, Nicaragua in January.

Courtesy of Jolene Hart

A girl waits to see the doctor at the Nueva Vida Health Clinic in Nicuragua. Students on the January Brigade helped the doctors and nurses in the health clinic and helped construct an additional buiding.

Nueva Vida's health clinic, built by former delegations of the Bucknell Brigade, was an inspiration in and of itself. Seeing exactly what was accomplished by people much like ourselves was a powerful reminder of our own potential at a time when we were astounded by the conditions around us. It was never more evident exactly what our hours of fundraising and campaigning were working to achieve.

We spent the next few days working toward the completion of the women's clinic and JHC's volunteer dorm. It didn't take long for dust and dirt to find its way onto all of our clothes, towels, beds and bodies, though we seemed to notice less and less as the week went on. The feeling of collapsing—filthy, sore and exhausted—was infinitely more satisfying than that of a hot shower. Small groups worked steadily at their tasks to reach the larger goal of pouring a concrete roof on the dorm, a process that truly required hard labor.

Before the concrete could be poured, the roof was secured with rebar, piles of stone and cement were transported, cement was mixed by hand and was hoisted up to the roof via a pulley system. After finally completing the project, despite having suffered our share of trials, no one could talk of anything but the amazing feelings of solidarity and satisfaction that we experienced. Many of us conceded that during those days we worked harder than we had ever worked in our lives, and it was clear that the support we provided each other gave us a means of accomplishing what we had once thought impossible.

In trips taken around Managua, the Nicaraguan capital, we had the opportunity to see further aspects of Nicaraguan culture. Reflections of the political history of Nicaragua manifested themselves everywhere, from the Martyrs Monument, which overlooks a cliff that served as the resting place for many of the opponents of the Somoza dictatorship, to the more subtle silhouette of Augusto Sandino that crested a hillside. We experienced the natural beauty of the country in the active Masaya Volcano and the Laguna de Apoyo, a tropical paradise tucked away in a volcano's crater.

An unforgettable day came as we trekked to a coffee co-op, El Porvenir, in the northern mountains. The five-hour trip took us from a highway to a one-lane dirt road and finally found us riding to the top of the mountain in a tractor-pulled cart. Along the way we picked up several children who were walking to the top, children who lived in the tiny thatch huts tucked alongside the path.

The trip, though laborious, was worth our effort in the aid we were able to offer 152 people who live without water, electric power or medical care and in the economic support that we extended to a community that survives off the land. The quantity of coffee produced at El Porvenir is not large enough to warrant involvement of organizations like Fair Trade, leaving the people with little opportunity to receive any profit in the world market. The people of the community graciously offered us a look at their co-op's operation and much of the land, surrounded by jungle and rocky mountain ranges, that gives them a means of existence.

My most profound experiences in Nicaragua came in the moments that I was able to communicate with the people, whether through words, a smile or a game of soccer with children. I found, more than anything, that the eyes of the Nicaraguan people I met sparkled with intensity and vitality, windows to the passion and pride that they take in their lives.

During the week, I assisted in Nueva Vida's clinic, helping to dispense prescriptions and translating for many of the patients. All patients conveyed their gratitude in the visible comfort and joy that glowed within them in receiving the caring touch of another. A simple container of children's vitamins was enough to elicit tears in the eyes of a young mother who cried out for support.

When our group brought bubbles, temporary tattoos and a Polaroid camera on our last day in Nueva Vida, it was difficult to say who received a greater thrill from the experience. I watched as the people that I had seen in my classes and around campus reflected the pure joy of making someone else happy through the smallest of gestures. When we look back now, this is what we remember and, in reality, this is why we went.

Although we as individuals are unable to reconcile the past, the ongoing mission of the Bucknell Brigade speaks to our desire to affect change in the future. I cannot stress enough how grateful I am for having had this experience, for seeing the life of a country that has never had the advantages that we enjoy and also for meeting people from my own home who make me confident in the undying compassion of humanity. It feels as if our world would be a very different place if everyone had the opportunity to share in this experience only once in their lives.

The January 2003 Bucknell Brigade received so much from our week in Nicaragua, seemingly more than we were even able to provide. On our small campus, it is likely that each of us knows someone involved with the Brigade who can tell, in their own words, what it means to participate. I guarantee that they would be anxious to tell. We can only say that if an opportunity like the Bucknell Brigade presents itself—become involved, because in changing the lives of others you inevitably change yourself.

Brigade members comment on experiences in Nicaragua

"One of my favorite memories was getting hands-on experience in the clinic with the children, especially since that is one of the fields that I would like to work in. Also, it felt good to be able to help the woman who was depressed and to actually have anti-depressant medicine that they otherwise might not have had if we hadn't come in January. It was a life-changing experience that everyone must embark upon."
***—Nadra Nash** '03*

"My two favorite memories from the trip are playing soccer with the children at the coffee co-op and seeing the expressions on the kids' faces when we took Polaroid pictures in the clinic."
***—Morgan Paige** '03*

"Both my heart and my mind wish they were back in Nicaragua. I want to be feeling pain in my lower back as I shovel, tie rebar or lay block. I want to be taking a bumpy bus ride to a beautiful or disturbing site. I want to be sitting in the dorm discussing the day's events or playing Trivial Pursuit. I want to be eating rice and beans and fresh pineapple in the house ... the trip exceeded my expectations in every respect."
***—T. Michael Toole**, professor of civil and environmental engineering*

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sexual assault at Bucknell

A night gone wrong

By Michelle Dombeck

After a letter was sent home to the parents of all male students attending the University, many members of the campus community became concerned that the University's judicial system neglected the accused. Debates about the justice of the University's sexual assault policies began with two students whose lives were permanently altered by the events of an October night.

For both Vicki Swinnerton '05 and expelled University student Tareq Abdulghani, memories of the night of Oct. 12, 2002 have become a nightmare of contradictions. Vicki claims that she was raped on that night. She is still awaiting the results of Tareq's appeal, which may allow him to return to campus. Tareq claims that the events of that evening were consensual, and is fighting to have his expulsion overturned and return to the University.

Their conflict has brought a massive debate to campus—was a student unfairly convicted by an ambiguous and biased system?

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By Elisabeth Salemme

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Sunday, Feb. 9

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—While on routine patrol, Public Safety observed a male drop an open container of beer on the ground near the Sigma Chi Fraternity. When questioned, the male falsified his identity. East Buffalo Township Police Department responded to assist in identifying the individual. It was determined that the male was a visitor who was under the age of 21 and had consumed alcohol. Student cited for underage consumption, giving false information to a law enforcement officer and littering.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—While responding to the report of criminal mischief at the Langone Center, Public Safety observed a male running from the front doors. Upon further investigation, it was determined that the male was a student under the age of 21, who admitted to consuming alcohol. A citation was issued for underage consumption.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—An employee reported to Public Safety that an unknown person dropped and damaged a sign stand at the Langone Center. The incident is under investigation.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student contacted Public Safety to request transportation to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment of an internal infection. A Student Health Services driver transported the student who later returned to campus.

THEFT—Another student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed her unattended jacket, valued at $100, from the Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity. Her cell phone valued at $70, gloves and hat valued at $50 and $10 in cash were in the coat. East Buffalo Township Police Department was notified. The incident is under investigation.

THEFT—Another student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed her unattended jacket from the Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity. Her cell phone and room key were in the coat. East Buffalo Township Police Department was notified. The incident is under investigation.

THEFT—A third student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed her unattended jacket from the Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity. Her cell phone, BU ID, and room key were in the coat. The cell phone was found later. East Buffalo Township Police Department was notified. The incident is under investigation.

VANDALISM—An employee reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) broke two exterior front door windows at Vedder Hall. The incident is under investigation.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student contacted Public Safety and requested transportation to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment of a stomach flu. A Student Health Services driver transported the student who later returned to campus.

Monday, Feb. 10

HARASSMENT BY COMMUNICATIONS—A student reported to Public Safety that she received a harassing phone call in her Vedder Hall room from an unknown male. The incident is under investigation.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student contacted Public Safety and requested transportation to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency room for treatment of a leg injury. A Student Health Servies driver transported the student who later returned to campus.

Tuesday, Feb. 11

HARASSMENT BY COMMUNICATION— A student reported to Pubic Safety that she received a harassing phone call in her Roberts Hall room from an unknown male. The incident is under investigation.

HARASSMENT BY COMMUNICATION—A student reported to Public Safety that she received a harassing phone call in her room in Gateway Viddinghoff from an unknown male. The incident is under investigation.

Wednesday, Feb. 12

HARASSMENT BY COMMUNICATION—A student reported to Public Safety that she received a harassing phone call in her Roberts Hall room from an unknown male. The incident is under investigation.

HARASSMENT BY COMMUNICATION—A student reported to Public Safety that she received a harassing phone call in her Leiser House room from an unknown male. The incident is under investigation.

HARASSMENT BY COMMUNICATION—A student reported to Public Safety that she received a harassing phone call in her room in Gateway Kalman-Posner from an unknown male. The incident is under investigation.

SIMPLE ASSAULT—A student reported to Pubic Safety that another student assaulted him while he was walking past the Ward House. Lewisburg Police Department was notified. The incident is under investigation.

INFORMATION/UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A PAC#—A student notified Public Safety that there was a charge on her university bill for a phone call that she feels sure she did not make. She requests no legal action but wished the Phone Office to investigate the call.

INFORMATION / LOST PROPERTY—A student reported to Public Safety that he lost his passport while traveling outside the University. The student was advised to report this incident to the proper authorities and to apply for a replacement passport. Copy of report sent to proper U.S. authority.

Thursday, Feb. 13

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—Public Safety responded to a fire alarm activation at Smith Hall. Upon arrival, Public Safety determined that the cause of the alarm was due to a pull station being activated by unknown person(s) for no apparent reason. The incident is under investigation.

POSSIBLE DUI/UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—While on routine patrol, Public Safety observed a vehicle travel through the stop sign at the intersection of South Seventh and St. George streets. Public Safety pulled the vehicle over on Moore Avenue and found the driver to be a student under the age of 21. The male had the odor of alcohol on his breath. Lewisburg Police Department was notified and responded. The incident is under investigation.

Friday, Feb. 14

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—An employee reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) wrote graffiti on a wall in Swartz Hall. The incident is under investigation.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—Public Safety responded to Bertrand Library for the report of an employee who injured her leg in a fall. The individual was transported by ambulance to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment and later returned to campus.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT—While on routine patrol, a Public Safety stopped a vehicle on Moore Ave. for failure to stop at a stop sign. Upon investigation, it was determined that the driver was a student who was angry that he had received a parking ticket earlier in the day. The student came to Public Safety and, upon exiting, spit on a Public Safety vehicle. Citations issued for disorderly conduct and traffic violations.

Saturday, Feb. 15

HARASSMENT BY COMMUNICATION—A student reported to Public Safety that she received a harassing phone call in her Galloway House room from an unknown male. The incident is under investigation.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed her front and back license plates from her vehicle while it was parked in the Gateway Parking lot. Lewisburg Police Department was contacted. The incident is under investigation.

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Philosopher Cavell receives University's highest honor

By Julianna M. Pietak
Senior Writer

Stanley Cavell was presented with the University's most prestigious award, the award of merit, on Wednesday evening prior to giving his lecture "The Philosophy of the Day After Tomorrow."

"This was one of the few instances where someone was so intelligent, it was frightening," said University President Steffen Rogers, summing up the feelings of many regarding Cavell's lecture Wednesday night.

Rogers introduced Cavell, explaining the characteristics and background that made him worthy of such an award. Cavell graduated with a degree in music from University of California at Berkley and then went on to pursue a Doctorate in Philosophy form Harvard University.

Calling Cavell "a man of profound intellect, modesty and compassion," Rogers presented him with a medal on an orange and blue ribbon to mark the honor.

After receiving this tribute, Cavell took the podium to begin the night's lecture.

"After receiving such an award as the Bucknell award of merit, one must ask oneself what has attributed to such an honor. I attribute it to two pieces of luck," Cavell said of his experiences at Berkley and Harvard and his sense to trust students. "I learned to recognize the fact that they [students] were the future of the intellectual world."

Cavell said he is grateful for the University's welcome and the honor bestowed upon him.

"Nowhere have I felt more welcome and comfortable than in my visits to Bucknell University, and I thank you for that," Cavell said.

Cavell's lecture drew on the work and ideas of past philosophers Ludwig Wittgenstein, Austin, Friedrich Nietzsche and Ralph Waldo Emerson. Even the title was taken from the ideas of Nietzsche, and his German translation of "the day after tomorrow." According to Cavell, this translates to an "after, over or super morning. Nietzsche describes this as a day realized. It is the day conceived by the super-man and day which creates the super-man." Cavell said his philosophy "calls for a new idea of knowledge, followed by the existence of silence, followed by the point of speech."

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> **—Steffen Rogers,** *University president*

Cavell outlined this philosophy through a variety of points, the first being that of impasses that occur between teachers and students in the process of learning.

"At some point in teaching, the student must know when and how to go on alone. At this point of impasse, and this point of silence, the teacher must know to allow this silence or to reason against it," Cavell said.

This concept was intriguing to graduate student Cindy Wentzler.

"The idea of a teacher being silent I thought was really interesting," Wentzler said.

From this concept of silence between teacher and student, Cavell moved to a broader point, speaking of silence in general. His emphasis was on the point of speech, not the speech itself.

"The point exceeds the saying, Because the saying is vulnerable," Cavell said. "Finding speech pointless is a characteristic disappointment if investigated. What is said must be worth saying, and teaching must undertake to show a reason for speaking at all."

Cavell related this philosophy to the works of Jane Austen and George Eliot. Specifically he drew links between Austen's "Emma" and "Mansfield Park," and Eliot's "Middlemarch." In these novels, Cavell saw the everyday aspiration to further yourself or, as he said, "the moral aspiration to the unattained but attainable self."

Cavell offered answers to answer past philosophical questions, such as Nietzsche's question of separation, referencing them to pieces of literature, such as "Middlemarch."

The evening closed with an open period for questions from audience members. Cavell's speech was less formal during this period, and he was able to answer questions as to his opinion on crossing academic boundaries between literature and philosophy, and the difference between falling silent and being silenced.

"I am in a state of shock at the high quality intelligence of his mind," Rogers said. "This is one of the few instances where someone was so intelligent it was frightening."

Catholic Church faces crisis; has hope for transformation

By Meghan Fox
Staff Writer

Religious men and women from various dioceses recognized the state of crisis in which the Catholic Church currently finds itself, but also revealed their hopes and sincere beliefs that this crisis will bring about a necessary transformation within the church in a panel discussion in the LC Forum on Feb. 12.

On behalf of Campus Catholic Ministry, Father Marty Moran, the University's Catholic chaplain, welcomed the audience of students, Lewisburg citizens and local clergy to the Catholic lecture series entitled "Serving the Catholic Church in Crisis."

"I think, as we have seen in the press in the past few months, there have been some issues that we need to address in the Catholic community," Moran said.

Moran and Sister Deborah Marie Borneman served as the facilitators of the discussion, providing some background information for the audience and asking three core questions to which the panel was to respond.

Last June, Catholic bishops met in Dallas to "essentially break the silence and to talk about the scandal in the Church involving the sexual abuse of minors," Borneman said. "The important part of them gathering together is that this session was geared not only for them to speak about this issue but more importantly come up with some concrete resolutions, and more specifically, a charter to address this issue of sexual scandal in the Church."

This charter affects all church affiliates from Catholic Youth Organization sports coaches to priests and bishops by claiming a commitment to deal appropriately and effectively with both present and past cases of sexual abuse of minors.

In the preamble of this charter, the opening statement says, "The Church of the United States is experiencing a crisis without precedent in our time."

After this passage was read, each member of the panel was asked to respond with his or her own thoughts as to whether he or she believed the current condition of the church to be a state of crisis.

Although the panel did agree that the Catholic Church was facing a crisis, the members also saw this predicament as an opportunity for change.

"I believe that we are in a crisis, but I also really believe that God is still present in the Church. From this evil action that certain individuals committed, I think it is going to lead to a stronger church and a different church," Brother Robert Ziobro said.

Ziobro also mentioned that he expects a greater involvement of laypeople in church decisions.

The second formalized question asked the panel members why they would invite new individuals to join the clergy at such a time of crisis.

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Sister Charlene Diorka brought up the point that not everyone within the church is corrupt or is struggling with his or her spirituality.

"There are still people who still believe wholeheartedly in their call," Diorka said.

Brother Robert Schaefer also reminded the panelists and the audience that it is God who makes the calling, not the clergy.

"I think God continues to call and I think the call gets stronger when there is a crisis in the Church," Schaefer said.

The last question asked by the facilitator inquired as to why the panel members felt young adults were still coming to church today.

"I think one of the common questions that people ask is, 'Is this all there is? I thought that this was what I wanted. I accomplished this and achieved that, but it is seemingly empty. I have everything objectively that looks like a good life, but if this is all there is, then I don't seem to have much,'" Diorka said. "So, it is a search for meaning, to live somehow with a little more significance."

She also said that this quest for meaning ultimately revolves around God, and that the church provides a large group of people to support one another.

"I think this crisis shows the strength that they have on a personal level, because this crisis has challenged the image of the Church that they represent," Monica Lancellotti '05 said in response to the lecture. "I found it reassuring. There is hope in the church, and good can come out of this."

Bucknellian corrections for Feb. 14, 2003

- Photo Editor Tyler Kidder took the photos for "What would make a special Valentine's Day?" on page B9.
- Amber Aho '05 is the student with Jolene Hart '03 in the Bucknell Brigade photo on page B10

News

Third Eye Blind to play spring concert

Rock band scheduled to perform inaugural concert in Sojka Pavilion on April 4

By Sandi-Jo Galati
Associate Editor

The Concert Committee announced that Third Eye Blind will perform the spring concert on April 4 in the Sojka Pavilion. The opening act has not been scheduled, but the Concert Committee expects a confirmation within the next week.

According to Assistant Dean of Students and Director of Campus Activities and Programs Kari Conrad and Concert Committee Co-Chair Perry Ratcliffe '03, the committee chose the rock band with the intention of providing an exciting atmosphere for the campus in the newly opened pavilion.

"We wanted to open the pavilion with a concert that would appeal to the entire campus and really get people excited," Conrad said.

Students agree that the band is an appropriate selection for the christening of the pavilion as an entertainment venue.

"Third Eye Blind is the band that can open Sojka Pavilion the way it should be," Barry DeSain '04 said.

The band's visit to the University, occurring during the beginning leg of its summer tour, will provide fans with a sneak preview of the band's new album, "Out of the Vein," scheduled for release on April 29.

Third Eye Blind has released two other albums. Their multiplatinum self-titled 1997 album included the hits "Semi-Charmed Life," "Jumper" and "How's it Going to Be." The band's second album, "Blue," released in 1999, included the hits "Deep Inside of You" and "Never Let you Go."

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Khanh Le '03 has been a loyal fan of the band since hearing its first albums, and is anticipating the release of "Out of the Vein" and the upcoming concert.

"I listened to Third Eye Blind a lot in high school. I really enjoyed their first two albums and I'm really excited about seeing them at the University," Le said.

According to Ratcliffe, the Concert Committee chose Third Eye Blind based on the results of a student survey.

"We sent out a campus survey last semester and Third Eye Blind was way at the top," Ratcliffe said.

The Concert Committee planned the event with several other on-campus events in mind. The concert will correspond with Siblings Weekend, Black Arts Weekend and Phi Kappa Psi's "Battle of the Bands."

"It is a really big weekend on campus, so we are very excited," Ratcliffe said.

Both Ratcliffe and Conrad are anticipating an enthusiastic student response to the concert and feel that the band will appeal to the music tastes of students.

"Third Eye Blind is by far the most overall talented and quality band Bucknell has seen in many years," DeSain said.

Tickets can be purchased for floor seating or for stand seating and will be available to the University community for $25 beginning March 17 at the LC and Weis Center box offices. Tickets will be will go on sale to the public on March 24 for $35. Cash, check, credit cards or BU ID can be used for payment.

Courtesy of Reuters

Third Eye Blind band members Tony Fredianelli and Stephan Jenkins perform at Tiger Jam IV. The band will perform at the University on April 4. Tickets go on sale to students on March 17.

Forum gives possible implications of war

By Michael Dudzinski
Staff Writer

The Iraq forum on Feb. 13 provided the Bucknell community with an opportunity to discuss, amid a variety of perspectives, the implications of another war against Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Moderator Stephen Stamos, professor of international relations, opened with an excerpt of Sen. Robert Byrd's, D-W.Va., speech to Congress, cautioning engagement in a war in which the public has been given little information.

What is the real motive for replacing Saddam? The three panelists eloquently addressed an abundance of underlying causes.

One of the fundamental objectives for replacing Saddam is "a strategy of global proportions," according to Hilbourne Watson, professor of international relations.

Noting the trend of withering national borders and capitalism based upon global interdependence, Watson argued democratizing Iraq would remedy the "weak global economic situation." Iraq is second to Saudi Arabia in terms of the world's largest oil reserves, and the United States considers that to be far too powerful a weapon for a dictator who has grown increasingly wary of the U.S. since the Iran-Contra scandal.

Tansa Massoud, associate professor of political science, said that regime change was unacceptable before 9-11, yet it has become the hallmark of President George W. Bush's unilateral and pre-emptive doctrine. Although regime change would serve as a "quick fix," containment can still be achieved through a rigorous approach and would ensure stability in the Middle East region. Although it has been argued that sanctions (through containment) were responsible for Iraq's humanitarian problems during the 1990s, Massoud suggested that the sanctions stigma actually stemmed from administrative ineffectiveness. He added that containment would work if there were a joint commitment among the U.N. Security Council members to "keep the no-fly zones, come up with a new inspections regime, implement a military presence in the region and strengthen sanctions."

Massoud's discussion suggests that pressure on Iraq may very well consist of ulterior motives that the Bush administration is unwilling to reveal. After all, "why is Bush targeting Iraq as a case in the War on Terror when Iraq does not support terrorists?"

Watson said that this war would likely exceed the $232 billion mark, and postwar stability still remains questionable. Given that "weapons of mass destruction are an excuse from the Bush administration to achieve further ends," Watson said, "Iraq has much greater global implications than Iraq alone."

Professor of Management, William Gruver, agreed with Watson that the price of this war is significant because it will be "our children," who foot the bill for a cause that has been withheld from the American people.

Watson argued that a democratic government in Iraq would only serve to fit the oil interests of the United States.

"The removal of Saddam is about restructuring the world to the interests of the United States, and is something to worry about," Watson said, suggesting that globalization has slowly undermined national borders.

Gruver questioned the legitimacy of action in Iraq with a personal account of war.

"Lyndon Johnson's inappropriate use of the military has taken very many friends from me," Gruver said.

He also said, referring to the Vietnam War outcome, "The answer of who will win lies in whose harmony will last longer; Iraq's or the United States?"

Gruver said this is one situation where he is having trouble justifying military action. Rather than market war as an appropriate means of pre-emption, he would *like to see the United States engage in a peace agreement between the Israelis and the Palestinians.*

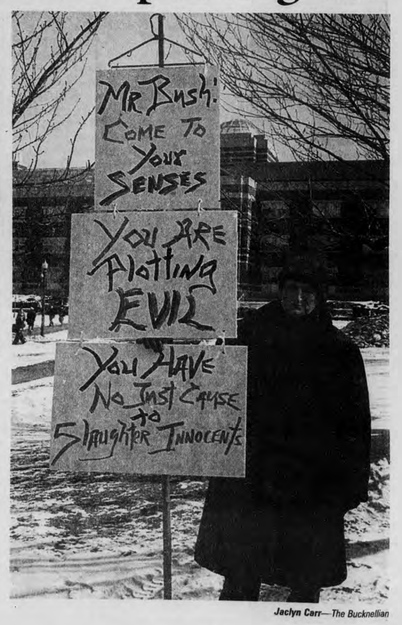
Gruver said that such a measure "would serve as a model to other nations and an opportunity for the United States to implement a more appropriate strategy in today's world."

There is much information in need of assessment before any decision resulting in war with Iraq can be made. The initiative taken by the University community to consider such implications of another war serves as an ideal model to the rest of America and its allies.

Peace Vigil participants protest threats of impending war

WAR IS HATE IS EASY
TERRORISM with GOVERNMENT FUNDING
LOVE takes COURAGE
FIND ALTERNATIVES TO WAR
DO NOT WAGE WAR on the CHILDREN OF IRAQ

Jaclyn Carr—*The Bucknellian*



Jaclyn Carr—*The Bucknellian*

Students, faculty and staff lined the pathways of the Uphill LC to join a community peace vigil last Friday afternoon (above). Protesters carried signs that do not support President George W. Bush's potential plans to go to war with Iraq (right).

By Jeff Day
Staff Writer

Students, faculty and staff lined the pathways of the uphill LC Friday to join in a community peace vigil. Participants held posters and distributed information about the effects of a war on Iraq.

"Most people were there because they do not believe we should currently be going to war with Iraq. We were also trying to increase student awareness of our views and the corresponding reasons with the flyers we were handing out," Daniel Morel '03 said.

According to Morel, the vigil was the idea of faculty and staff who wished to express their views on a possible war on Iraq. The Bucknellians for Peace were asked to help with advertising and organization of the event.

"It sought to encourage more open discussion of the current international situation," Associate Professor of Psychology Kimberly Daubman said.

Jon Hoyle, president of Bucknellians for Peace, said this vigil was a much greater success than others the group has organized in the past.

"There were a larger number of people involved with it, so it was more difficult to ignore us," Hoyle said.

Hoyle estimated between 75-100 people supported the vigil.

"Our vigil at Bucknell on [last] Friday is just one of many small and large demonstrations occurring locally, nationally and across the world. I think all of the actions taken as a whole are making it harder for the U.S. and the U.K. to go forward with their plans to invade Iraq with massive firepower," Daubman said.

According to Morel, there are ripple effects to actions that create awareness.

"For the sake of increasing student awareness on campus, yes, this vigil was a success," Morel said.

It may help to increase understanding and continue to shape opinion concerning the war.

Demonstrators held signs with slogans including "Dare to Wage Peace," "Negotiation not Annihilation," "Choose Peace Over Violence" and "By What Example Will We Lead?"

Bucknellians for Peace plans to continue periodically hanging up flyers around campus and in the LC mall.

According to Hoyle, there has been discussion about organizing a weekly vigil on campus if war is declared.

News

World Briefs

Compiled by Elisabeth Salemme
Courtesy of MSNBC.COM

Hundreds killed in Iranian jet crash

Everyone aboard an Iranian military transport that crashed in Southern Iran on Wednesday was killed, state-run Tehran television reported. Conflicting reports from news agencies have placed the death toll between 270 and more than 300 people. The plane was on a domestic route from Zahedan to Kerman, both in Southern Iran.

Ridge unveils anti-terrorism tips

CINCINNATI—Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge on Wednesday unveiled a national campaign to advise families on what they can do to protect themselves against terrorism, urging vigilance because terrorists "seek to turn our neighborhoods into battlefields."

First conviction in Sept. 11 plot

HAMBURG, Germany—In the first conviction related to the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks against the United States, a German court on Wednesday found a Moroccan student guilty of being an accessory to more than 3,000 murders for helping Mohamed Atta and two other suicide pilots in the plot. Mounir el Motassadeq, 28, was sentenced to the maximum 15 years in prison.

Gephardt declares candidacy

ST. LOUIS—Rep. Dick Gephardt, D-Mo., on Wednesday launched his bid for the Democratic presidential nomination, saying, "The fight for working families is in my bones." Surrounded by friends and family in the gymnasium at his former elementary school, Gephardt invoked his blue-collar roots. He said "My dad was a milk truck driver—a proud member of the Teamsters union." He attacked President George W. Bush's tax-cutting policies, scoffing, "Never has so much been done in so little time to help so few."

Parents plead for new organs after transplant mix-up

DURHAM, N.C—The desperate parents of a 17-year-old girl pleaded for anyone to consider donating organs needed to save their daughter after one of the country's top medical centers botched her heart-lung transplant. Jesica Santillan was in critical condition Wednesday at Duke University Hospital, where doctors mistakenly gave her organs that didn't match her type O-positive blood.

Drugs all stimulate brain similarily

Whether you smoke a cigarette or use cocaine, neurons in a certain part of the brain are stimulated in the same way, which suggests there may be a universal approach to treat addiction, researchers at Stanford University said Wednesday.

Shuttle's front landing gear found

Space shuttle Columbia's nose landing gear has been found largely intact in the woods near Toledo Bend Reservoir, NASA said Wednesday. Navy Capt. Chris Murray said residents found the gear Tuesday and notified divers who were searching the East Texas lake for shuttle debris.

U.S. announces plan to arm pilots

Feb. 19—Commercial pilots who want to carry guns in the cockpit would have to undergo psychological and background checks before being selected for a five-day training program under a plan announced Wednesday by the Transportation Security Administration.

U.S., Britain forging new resolution

Faced with overwhelming opposition to military action against Iraq, Britain and the United States on Wednesday struggled to craft a new resolution on disarming Iraq that would win support in the U.N. Security Council. But even the close allies were not in agreement on the timing or substance of a new resolution. Meanwhile, Washington's talks with Turkey stalled over the size of an economic aid package to compensate Ankara for allowing U.S. forces to use bases there in the event of an Iraq war.

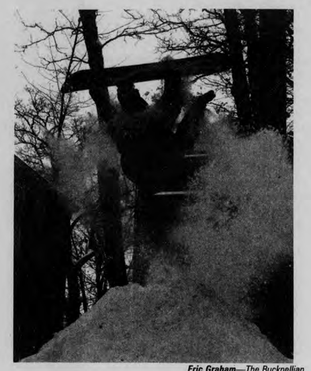
U.S. trade deficit hit record in 2002

WASHINGTON—The United States recorded a $435.2 billion trade deficit for 2002, the largest imbalance in history, as the weak global economy set back American exports while imports of autos and other consumer goods were hitting all-time highs.

Ky. plant blast injures 26 workers

CORBIN, Ky—Authorities shut down an interstate highway and evacuated residents in southern Kentucky on Thursday after an explosion and fire at a factory injured at least 26 workers — 11 of them critically.

Steve Young—The Bucknellian



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Above: Students play in the snow on Monday in front of Smith Hall. Students were also skiing and sled riding down the hill by the Gateways. Pennsylvania was declared in a state of emergency and classes were cancelled for the first time in 17 years. due to the snow.

Calendar of Events

Feb. 21 FRI

Patriot League Swimming & Diving Championships
Kinney Natatorium
10:30 a.m.

Ethan Casey Brown Bag Lunch
Walls Board Room (LC #213)
Noon

Office of Service Learning Film: "No Justice, No Peace"
LC Forum
Noon

Hilltop Film Series: "The Heart is a Lonely Hunter"
Vaughan Lit. Auditorium
4:30 & 8 p.m.

SAMS Dance
Bison
5 p.m.

Shabbat Service and Dinner
Berelson Center
5:30 p.m.

Susquehanna Valley Mall Shuttle
Downhill LC
6 p.m.

Nicolas Kendall
Weis Center
8 p.m.

Freestyle Contest & Notion Records
Uptown
9:30 p.m.

Open Mic Night
7th Street Café
11 p.m.

Feb. 22 SAT

Patriot League Swimming & Diving Championships
Kinney Natatorium
10:30 a.m.

Wal-Mart Shuttle
Downhill LC
3 & 6 p.m

Susquehanna Valley Mall Shuttle
Downhill LC
3 & 6 p.m.

Catholic Mass
Rooke Chapel
5:30 p.m.

Middle East Association Dinner
Larison Dining Hall
6 p.m.

"Girl Fight"
Gallery Theatre
8 p.m.

Band: SR-71
Uptown
9:30 p.m.

"Austin Powers in Goldmember"
Vaughan Lit. Auditorium
10:30 p.m.

"About a Boy"
LC Forum
10:30 p.m.

BU After Dark
Gerhard Fieldhouse
11 p.m.

Feb. 23 SUN

Quaker Services
Willard Smith Library
9:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Interdenominational Worship Service
Rooke Chapel
11 a.m.

Episcopal Eucharist Service
Rooke Meditation Chapel
Noon

President's Roundtable
Center Room (LC #256)
3 p.m.

Catholic Mass
Rooke Chapel
4 p.m.

Senior Recital: Kathy O'Heir
Weis Music Building Recital Hall
7:30 p.m.

Poetry Reading: Roth Resident Reading
Bucknell Hall
8 p.m.

Sunday Night Prayer
LC #302
9 p.m.

Catholic Mass
Larison Dining Hall
10 p.m.

Feb. 24 MON

Qigong Classes
Vedder Living Room
Noon

Zen Meditation
Rooke Meditation Chapel
4 p.m.

Business Etiquette Workshop
Taylor Hall Lounge
6:15 p.m.

Sushi-Making
Terrace Room
7 p.m.

Buzz Spector
Samek Art Gallery
Artist, Object, Installation
Feb. 2 to March 2

Yoga Classes
Walls Board Room (LC #213)
8 p.m.

2003 Hours to Graduation
Bison
11 p.m.

Feb. 25 TUE

American Chemical Society Seminar
Rooke Chemistry 101 & 102
Noon

Speaker: Eric Liu
Gallery Theatre
7 p.m.

Focus Semester: Greta Austin
Willard Smith Library
7 p.m.

SAAB Movie Night
LC Forum
7 p.m.

Rape Forum
Vaughan Lit. Auditorium
7 p.m.

Lecture/Performance: Geoffrey Goldberg
Bucknell Hall
7:30 p.m.

SIRENS Series
Walls Board Room (LC #213)
7:30 p.m.

Dana Backman Talk
Olin Science 268
7:30 p.m.

Habitat for Humanity Spring Break Information Meeting
Scullery (LC #233)
8:30 p.m.

Feb. 26 WED

Qigong Classes
Walls Board Room (LC #213)
8 a.m.

"Going the Distance" Series
Walls Board Room (LC #213)
11 a.m.

Brown Bag Forum
LC #302
Noon

Merck Lecture
Buttery Room
12, 5, 6 & 7:30 p.m.

Robins-Mowry Dinner/Reception
Buttery Room
5:30 & 8:30 p.m.

RAD Classes
Hunt Hall Living Room
6 p.m.

Black History Presentation
LC Forum
7 p.m.

Comedian: Eliot Chang
Bison
9 p.m.

"My Big Fat Greek Wedding"
Vaughan Lit. Auditorium
10:30 p.m.

Feb. 27 THU

Colloquium Series: Dr. Scott Hofer
O'Leary Center 232
4 p.m.

Off Campus Study Information
Taylor Hall 208
4 p.m.

"Ceddo"
Third World Film Series
Coleman 151
4 & 7 p.m.

Internships 101
Every Tuesday (Noon) and Wednesday (3:30 p.m.)
CDC

Lecture: Imam Yayha-Hendi
Gallery Theatre
7:30 p.m.

"the well"
Walls Board Room (LC #213)
8:30 p.m.

Income Tax Workshop for Undergraduates
Buttery Room
9 p.m.

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News

A night gone wrong

by Michelle Dombeck

Tareq Abdulghani, 20, was attending classes a few months ago at the University. Now, he is at home in Ohio, appealing a University judicial decision on Nov. 24, 2002, that found him guilty of raping Vicki Swinnerton '05 and expelled him from the University.

Christina Abdulghani, Tareq's mother, sent home a letter on Jan. 28 to the parents of all male students at the University. In the letter, she claims that her son is innocent and was not provided with sufficient evidence on which to build a defense. Her letter, which claims that the University's judicial system has many flaws, has caused fear and anger in many parents and students.

One night, two stories

Tareq and Vicki only knew each other vaguely from a class. When they saw each other at a registered Sigma Chi Fraternity party on Oct. 12, 2002, they started chatting and eventually danced together.

"At the party I met this girl—she called out my name as I walked by her. I had only really known her face from class so she told me her name….We chatted for a little bit about class and then we parted. Later on that same evening she … left the guy she was dancing with and came over to me. She started dancing with me and we were making out on the dance floor," Tareq said.

Vicki said she had been drinking, but not very much. Tareq denied either of them had been drinking.

"While we were dancing, he pulled a beer out of his pocket and said 'You need another beer,' and handed it to me. Overall, I had 2.5-3 beers over the night, which was over a few hours. I have a high tolerance, so that wasn't a problem," Vicki said.

"She wasn't acting drunk, however, and at trial she stated that she was not drunk. I also had not been drinking," Tareq said.

After dancing, the two left and headed for Bucknell West.

"We probably danced for over an hour and then noticed that it was getting late. We walked outside the back of Sig Chi and were talking. During this time I learned that she also lived in the Mods. I told her I was heading home and asked if she wanted to walk back together. She told me that she always went home with her roommate. She told me that when we found her we could all walk home together, the three of us. I helped her find her roommate and we left," Tareq said.

"My friend said that she was ready to go and I looked at him and I said, 'I have to leave.' Then he said 'No, Vicki, you don't have to go.' And I said, 'Yeah, I do,' and he looked at his friends and said, 'This always happens to me.' I didn't hear that at the time—I heard him mumble something, but my friend heard him. Then he said, 'I'll walk you girls back because I live in the Mods, too,'" Vicki said.

The two lived on different ends of Bucknell West, so when the time came for them to part, Vicki did not go back to her Mod.

"We got to the 'Y' at the Bucknell entrance, and he had his arm around my shoulders. We were walking and he started pulling me towards the highway, and my friend and I were starting to go towards the bridge because we live closer to the underpass than the main road. We said, 'Our Mod is this way,' and he said, 'But my Mod is this way.' We didn't want to walk alone so we went along with it," Vicki said.

According to Vicki, he asked her to go back to his Mod. Tareq disagrees.

"We got to the bushes through the shortcut and we were standing by the bushes where we would go to our Mods and he would go to his. He said, 'Hey, do you just want to come hang out for a while?' I didn't see a problem with it because we had class together, so I said, 'OK, that's fine.' My friend said, 'Vicki, why don't you come back with me?' He said, "No, Vicki's going to come hang out for a while. She'll be back.' I told my friend not to worry about it and that I was only going to be there for a few minutes. I intended on going in and hanging out for five minutes and then leaving," Vicki said.

"We walked back to the Mods and when we got to the entrance of the Mods we stopped. Her Mod was in a different direction from mine. I told her I was going home and she decided by herself—and I stress that—she wanted to go with me and not with her roommate. She said goodbye to her roommate and walked back with me," Tareq said.

Once inside, Tareq claimed that he introduced her to his roommates, who were watching something on television. Vicki said that he did not introduce her to them.

Tareq stressed that everything

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that went on in his room was consensual, but Vicki said it was not. Tareq declined to go into detail about what exactly happened, but Vicki said that he was very forceful.

"He kept kissing me and then right away he just went for my pants. I grabbed his hands and looked him in the eye and said, 'No, I have a rule—my pants stay on.' I was very direct about it and he said, 'OK.' He started kissing me again and a few minutes later he just kept trying, and every time he tried I said, 'No, my pants stay on.' I kept rebuttoning and rezipping them … he was being very forceful—he wasn't speaking or looking at me in the eye. At that point I was scared and I didn't know what to do….He pulled my pants off and pinned me down—he put his hand on my shoulder, pinned me down and pulled his pants down—that's when he raped me," Vicki said.

Tareq said that his window was open and his roommates were outside in the lounge area the whole time. Afterward, he said she gave no indication, to either him or his roommates, that she was afraid.

Vicki said that after she left his Mod, she simply acted as if things were normal and nothing had happened.

"My friends asked if I was OK, and I said 'Yeah, I'm fine.' I didn't want to believe that anything had happened. I wanted to push that as far away as I could. I went back to my Mod and I was making jokes, trying to shrug it off because I didn't want to believe that it had just happened," Vicki said.

Telling a secret

Vicki said that she kept the rape secret for about three weeks.

"I didn't want to believe that it had happened—I didn't want to say the words. I held it all inside. I overcompensated with jokes, trying to act normal. I couldn't concentrate or do anything. I tried to tell my roommates so many times, but I couldn't find the words," Vicki said.

When Vicki finally told her friends, it was very difficult for her.

"One night I came home and I was upset and saying how I hated men, especially him because he assaulted me. I had mentioned to my friends that he was rough and not very considerate, but I didn't tell them any more than that," Vicki said. "My roommate asked me the next day what I meant about that, and I sat down to tell her and I danced around what had really happened. As soon as I said he raped me, I broke down in tears. That's the worst thing ever to have to say. I just cried. I just talked … and we just all cried."

After talking to someone from the Women's Resource Center, going to Psychological Services and talking with Associate Dean of Students Kari Conrad, Vicki decided to press University charges.

The hearing process

When Tareq was notified of the charge on Nov. 6, 2002, he received the charge of Level One Sexual Assault (as defined on page 43 of the Student Handbook), the name of the accuser and the date. He had no other information on which he could prepare a defense.

Vicki said that he did not receive her incident statement because he did not provide one.

"I submitted a statement of what had happened that evening, and he could have received that if he had submitted one himself," Vicki said. "Conrad would have gotten each of them and exchanged, but he chose not to submit a statement, so he never got mine. She had told him that, but he apparently decided not to."

Conrad said that statements are swapped so that both parties have the same information at the same time.

Tareq and his mother disagree with this policy. They claim the Student Handbook does not state that the accused only receive a statement if they submit one.

The Student Handbook is not entirely clear on this matter. On page 19 of the Student Handbook, it states, "A statement from the victim must accompany the charge indicating the basis for making a charge."

"Conrad just said that it was her interpretation of the handbook that it's an exchange of statements," Christina said.

Without any statements, Tareq said it was almost impossible to prepare a defense.

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> *—Mary Snyder, interim director of the Women's Resource Center*

"If they give you nothing, how can you mount a defense? How am I supposed to prepare questions and a response if I don't know what the other person's going to say?" Tareq said. "There was lots of stuff that was impossible to prepare for. You're expected to prove your innocence. The only thing the board would say is, 'Well, why would she lie?' You're guilty unless you can prove against her!"

Witnesses may be added up until 24 hours before the hearing. Conrad said this is to protect both parties, in case a witness comes up at the end and either party would like to add that person for whatever reason.

Tareq and his mother feel that there are several problems with this witness system. They claim that not only is 24 hours not enough time to prepare for a witness, witnesses may also submit statements without actually being present. If this happens, there is no chance for either party to question the witness.

According to Conrad, witnesses are allowed to submit statements or taped testimony very infrequently.

"That hasn't happened in a long time. The language is still [in the handbook], but we ask that if someone is going to have a witness, that they be there. Witnesses are almost always there," Conrad said.

Conrad was unsure of what would happen if either party wanted to question the testimony of a witness who was not present, saying she would consult the University's general counsel if a question were to arise.

In the Student Handbook it states that students are permitted to have one adviser from the University community who is not a lawyer. Christina said that in the past, the University did allow students legal counsel but stopped because lawyers "stop the University from circumventing rules."

Dean of Students Richard Ferraro said that the University has never allowed lawyers in these proceedings.

The Abdulghanis also feel that the hearing board may be biased.

"We can only question impartiality within 24 hours of receiving the charge, but you [aren't allowed to] remove people on the basis of political or personal bias. Unlike a court jury, the Community Judicial Board is made up of people who volunteer for the assignment. Although these people may be impartial, they may also have ideological reasons for volunteering," Christina said.

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> *—Tareq Abdulghani*

Conrad said that members of the board are told to remove themselves if they know either party, in order to prevent bias.

The members of the hearing board also receive training, which, according to the Abdulghanis, is unfair.

"You don't train jurors in the state legal system, but you train these people. Training people for something like a sexual assault hearing board may predispose them toward a certain viewpoint," Christina said.

The University's judicial system is unlike the legal system, where people are innocent unless proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt. Like many of its peer institutions, the University employs a preponderance of evidence system. To be found guilty, the evidence must support "the position that the alleged violation more likely than not occurred in the way charged," as stated on page 30 of the Student Handbook.

Appealing

After the hearing, the board decided that the evidence indicated Tareq was responsible. His sentence was expulsion.

Tareq and his mother claim that, in addition to not knowing enough prior to the trial and not being allowed to have a lawyer present in the hearing, the administration has not been fair in the appeals process.

According to Tareq, the first appeal was unfairly denied.

"At the first appeal, they wouldn't allow me to even talk about the polygraph [which I had taken that indicated I was innocent]. They gave no reason for excluding it. They didn't listen to my offer to pay for her to take a polygraph or for her to have psychological tests to verify her statements," Tareq said. "It was at this hearing that the head of the original hearing board made the statement that 'declaring an event happened' is enough to call for a hearing and no other evidence is needed. This contradicts pages 19, 20 and 25 [of the Student Handbook]. They denied the appeal 5-0."

Once his first appeal was denied, the next appeal was to Ferraro.

"Ferraro tried to deny his appeal and pushed him to transfer, saying he was doing Tareq a favor and helping him get on with his life," Christina said. "He was very patronizing."

Ferraro said that the sentence of expulsion does not go on a student's transcript.

"A person who is separated from the University can still apply to 2,500 other universities and colleges. It is Bucknell's policy not to post notices of supsension or expulsion on the transcript--in contrast to what many other schools do. Bucknell regards these matters as private—since our conduct system is fundamentally an educationally based system, not a penal system," Ferraro said

The Abdulghanis also allege that Ferraro denied Tareq his right to come to campus for an appeal, alleging that Ferraro "didn't think [they] wanted to drive all the way from Ohio."

"Tareq wasn't given the chance to waive his right and come to Bucknell and appeal. Dean Ferraro just said 'No' after reading our letter," Christina said.

Tareq said Ferraro attempted to deny his appeal to University President Steffen Rogers.

"My mother said to Dean Ferraro that we were prepared to follow the procedures through to the final appeal to the president, if necessary. Dean Ferraro tried to dismiss this and said that there really wasn't any appeal to the president. In my letter [to Ferraro] of Dec. 31, I reminded Dean Ferraro of his violation of procedure by not allowing me an in-person hearing. I wrote asking him to rescind his decision, and added, 'In the alternative, please consider this an appeal to the president of the University under that same section of the disciplinary procedures, [referring to Part X] 'Appeal to the Dean of Students,'" Tareq said.

Ferraro said that even if an appeal goes through to the president, guilt cannot be removed.

"According to our system, the president cannot set aside the judgment of the hearing and appeals boards, but he can set aside the penalty. He can say you're guilty, but you will not be required to leave permanently. It's kind of like a governor's clemency," Ferraro said.

On the Abdulghani's Web site (http://www.studentrights.us/), they claim that because Ferraro overstepped his bounds, he had to step aside and allow Vice President for Student Affairs Charles Pollock '70 take over this appeal, which is normally handled by the dean of students.

"Dean Ferraro vacated his earlier [appeal] denial, and said Vice President [of Student Affairs Charles] Pollock would hear the new appeal. In his letter of Jan. 20, 2003, he wrote, 'Please understand that an appeal with Vice President Pollock represents the final appeal, whether the decision is positive or negative.' On Jan. 28, 2003, I wrote back reminding him again that the handbook allows an appeal to the president in cases of expulsion," Tareq said.

Tareq's appeal to Pollock was last Friday. The Abdulghanis are still awaiting the decision.

Ferraro did not comment on Tareq's case, stating that Bucknell has a policy of "not commenting on specific cases out of respect for personal privacy."

An angry letter

When Tareq was expelled, his mother began a campaign to publicize her son's situation. In a letter sent home to the all the parents of male University students, Christina claims that the University has no desire to find out the truth of the situation.

"I believe Bucknell does not care to find out what really happened," Christina wrote. "They want to protect a system that probably gets them points at any politically correct convention they attend. They are far more concerned with what is comfortable than with what is true."

In her letter, one piece of evidence Christina said the University has ignored is Tareq's polygraph tests, the results of which, she claims, show he is innocent.

"After the first hearing, Tareq requested an appeal hearing….He submitted the results of the polygraph test he had taken … all in the interest of reaching the truth….All of this information was dismissed," Christinia wrote.

Conrad said polygraph tests are not admissible because they are not found to be reliable.

Although the Abdulghanis admit that polygraph tests are not 100 percent accurate, they claim that with the University's preponderance of evidence system, it is ample evidence to support their cause.

"When I brought up the polygraph test in the appeal, they asked why I hadn't taken one and used that in the first hearing. How could I have taken a polygraph test when I didn't know all the accusations?" Tareq said. "They also said that they just don't take polygraphs. Where does it say that in the handbook?"

In addition to questioning the University's judicial policies, the letter has had other effects. One of them is making students and parents afraid.

On the Abdulghani's Web site, many unidentified parents are very upset at Tareq's situation.

"Your son's situation and Bucknell's response is disturbing. I hope that you and he will continue to fight and make people aware of the situation….Although I do not care for our 'litigation-happy' society, there are times when legal action is warranted. This situation seems to be one of those times. I hope that you are able to pursue this to the fullest extent of the law," one parent said.

Mary Snyder, interim director of the Women's Resource Center, said that she has heard of male students who are now afraid that they will get expelled for any minor offenses.

"You cannot get expelled for slapping someone on the butt. You can't even make a charge based on that, and I know it's going around campus," Snyder said. "There was actually a student who was really scared. I think that we need to dispel a lot of this."

Female students are also afraid now.

"Even though there's a concern for false accusations, we really want women to come forward," Snyder said. "I don't want women to not come forward just because they're afraid that they won't be believed."

Vicki said that she could understand why female students might be afraid now.

"If I had read that letter before I had told anyone, I probably wouldn't have told anyone. I was scared to come out and press charges as it was, but I wouldn't have done it if I had saw that letter first," Vicki said. "It's scary that people aren't going to believe you and you're going to get accused of all this stuff. It made it seem like girls at Bucknell are rapecriers and the men should be scared at women at Bucknell."

Vicki stressed that now she wants people to know that she is the female from the letter.

"The [parents who received the letter] don't know the situation—they're only hearing her biased side of it. It really makes Bucknell look bad. And it especially makes me look bad. That's why I want people to know it's me," Vicki said. "Why would anyone make this up? To go through, and to have gone through, what I'm going through isn't something I'd wish on my worst enemy. Who would do this for fun? It's ridiculous. I want people to know my name and who I am, and that I'm not the kind of person who would just do this. He brutally raped me."

Vicki declined to comment on if she planned to press civil or criminal charges.

Shedding Light on ...

insight into the JUDICIAL SYSTEM

by Elisabeth Salemme

Concerns about the sexual assault judicial policy at the University have recently been raised. A compilation of information from the Student Handbook, administrators and students provides a clearer understanding of the process at the Univeristy.

The victim of alleged sexual assault is defined by the Student Handbook as the aggrieved party and the alleged perpetrator is defined by the Student Handbook as the respondent.

Options for the aggrieved party

When sexual assault is committed at the University, and the aggrieved party has sought help at the variety of counseling and health resources on campus, there are three possible courses of action he or she can take.

According to the Student Handbook, the first option is mediation, which is voluntary for both parties, and is arranged by the Judicial Administrator for Sexual Assault (JASA) and conducted by a staff member who both parties agree on. Associate Dean of Students Kari Conrad serves as JASA at the University.

The role of the JASA, appointed by the dean of students, is to oversee the adjudication process along with other University officials. According to the Student Handbook, the JASA's responsibilities include to "meet with the respondent and aggrieved party, arrange for mediation or binding arbitration or a hearing, collect statements from the respondent, aggrieved party and witnesses; [be] present at the hearing; [and] advise the HBSA on matters of hearing procedures, question and precedent…."

Mediation allows the aggrieved party to meet with the respondent "to discuss the incident, to express his/her feelings regarding the incident, and to indicate the impact of the incident on him/her," according to the Student Handbook. After mediation, the aggrieved party may still file charges with the University judicial system. Information used or obtained during mediation may not be used in the University proceeding.

The second option for the aggrieved party is to press University judicial charges. When an aggrieved party files a charge of sexual assault, the respondent and the aggrieved party may agree to hold a judicial hearing on the matter. This process is confidential, is arranged by the JASA and is facilitated by a University staff member.

The University Community Judicial Board, composed of students and staff, selects members to be part of the Hearing Board on Sexual Assault (HBSA). The board is responsible for adjudicating all charges of sexual assault brought to its attention. The board determines whether or not the respondent is held responsible, and the board determines the punishment, which can include suspension or expulsion.

The third option for aggrieved parties, according to the Student Handbook, is to make external criminal charges. The aggrieved party may meet with the local district attorney to explore filing criminal charges. The University will not release the name of the aggrieved party unless he or she provides written permission.

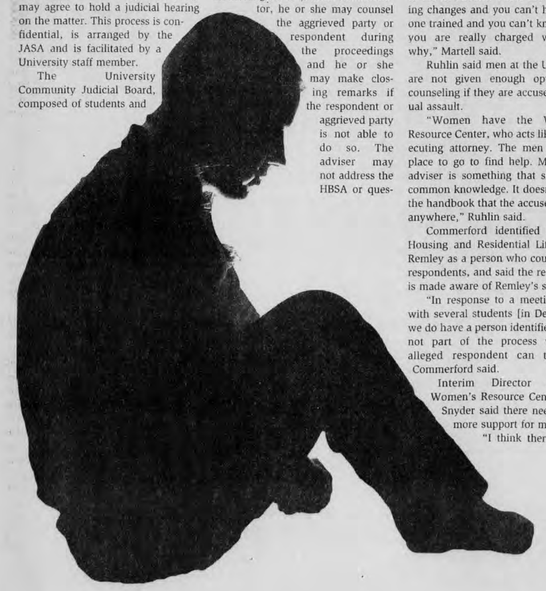
A new HBSA, drawn from members of the University Community Judicial Board, is appointed annually by the dean of students. The board is composed of two students, two faculty members and one administrator. Interim replacements may be appointed by the JASA if a member is unable to fulfill his or her duties. One member of the HSBA is appointed by the dean of students to be the chair of the board.

Meredith Field '04 is a member of the HBSA and said she does not think the selection process for HBSA is fair.

"I think we need to have a better method for choosing who becomes a part of the sexual assault board. It is hard to get on the regular board (Community Judicial Board), but once you are on that, all you have to do is say you want to be on the HBSA," Field said. "If you do agree to be on HBSA, you have to go through training, but the training here is really lacking. The process is about four hours long and you do it all in one sitting. It needs to be much more comprehensive."

Options for the respondent

According to the Student Handbook, both the respondent and aggrieved party have the right to seek the aid from an adviser from within the University community during a hearing. The role of the adviser is to help the respondent and aggrieved party prepare for the hearing and to explain the process. He or she is permitted to accompany the respondent or aggrieved party to interviews with an investigator or judicial administrator, he or she may counsel the aggrieved party or respondent during the proceedings and he or she may make closing remarks if the respondent or aggrieved party is not able to do so. The adviser may not address the HBSA or question any of the parties.



According to the Student Handbook, "Members of the University community who are practicing lawyers are ineligible to serve as an adviser to either the respondent or aggrieved party."

According to Assistant Dean of Students Gerald Commerford, "The University process in any sort of hearing does not permit a lawyer. This is an educational process, it's not a criminal process. Both the respondent and the aggrieved party are provided with the opportunity to have assistance from an adviser who is within the Universijy community."

Conrad said the respondent may seek legal advice from any attorney, either within or outside the University community.

"The only thing that can't happen is that the attorney cannot be present with a jury hearing, so many of our folks seek the advice of legal counsel to help them prepare for the hearing, to give them advice on whatever issue they want. So in no way, shape or form does our process dissuade them from doing that," Conrad said.

Conrad and Commerford said the reason the University does not allow either party to have a lawyer present during the hearing, is because it is not a criminal proceeding.

"We are not a courtroom. Our proceedings are very, very different than a courtroom's. We would have to get … everything that the legal system has and we are just not set up to do that. That is not to deny either party the opportunity to seek legal advice," Conrad said.

Conrad also said the difference between a criminal procedure and the procedure at the University is that "the worst possible outcome in our system is a separation from an institution."

Field suggested a neutral lawyer be present at the hearing to answer any questions members of the HBSA may have.

"A neutral lawyer, present during all the hearings, would help the board figure out what it can and cannot use….The only people we have to look to now to ask questions are the chair of the board and certain deans," Field said.

According to the Association for Student Judicial Affairs, which published a study in 2000 entitled "National Baseline Study on Campus Sexual Assault: Adjudication of Sexual Assault," 60 percent of institutions of higher learning allow the accused to bring an attorney to the hearing, while the same right is granted to 54 percent of victims.

Jay Martell '04 and Jim Ruhlin '04 are friends with Tareq Abdulghani, who was charged with sexual assault and was expelled from the University. They believe that there are problems with the University's judicial system for cases of sexual assault.

"The fact that you are not allowed to have anyone trained [as the adviser for the respondent] is a detriment to the defendant. These are life altering changes and you can't have anyone trained and you can't know what you are really charged with and why," Martell said.

Ruhlin said men at the University are not given enough options for counseling if they are accused of sexual assault.

"Women have the Women's Resource Center, who acts like a prosecuting attorney. The men have no place to go to find help. Maybe the adviser is something that should be common knowledge. It doesn't say in the handbook that the accused can go anywhere," Ruhlin said.

Commerford identified Dean of Housing and Residential Life Daniel Remley as a person who counsels the respondents, and said the respondent is made aware of Remley's services.

"In response to a meeting I had with several students [in December], we do have a person identified who is not part of the process who the alleged respondent can talk to," Commerford said.

Interim Director of the Women's Resource Center Mary Snyder said there needs to be more support for men.

"I think there should be someone that [men] can get in touch with or that would know the ins and outs of the way the process works. We are in the process of working on that. I do think that support is necessary," Snyder said.

Procedures before the hearing is held

After the aggrieved party has filed charges individually or jointly with a University representative, it is the role of the JASA to determine if there is sufficient evidence for a hearing to be held.

Conrad said the respondent is notified of the code of conduct that has been violated, as well at the date and the time at which the violation allegedly occurred.

"I have not seen that [just providing the date and time of the offense] has been a detriment to anyone, but certainly the University can look into requiring some specific level of specificity," Conrad said.

Conrad said that at the University, both the aggrieved party and the respondent may provide written statements for all parties involved to read.

"Both parties are afforded the opportunity to write a longer narrative, but sometimes what happens if that one party is not willing to do it, then the other party won't do it either," Conrad said. "So, for example, it could be offered to a respondent … if the respondent is willing to put down what [the respondent] believed happened on that night, the aggrieved party would be willing to put down in writing her perspective of what happened that evening. What aggrieved parties have not been willing to do is to put that in writing before the respondent does it so that that case is built upon."

The hearing will typically occur within 10 days of the presentation of the charges. An extension of three days can be granted by request of either party, and in certain circumstances, a longer delay can be granted by the dean of students by the request of either party.

"You have 10 days to prepare for something that will affect the rest of your life. You leave school right away if you are convicted. You go from being a regular student to being treated like a criminal," Ruhlin said.

Procedure for the hearing

At the University, the respondent, aggrieved party and HBSA have the right to present evidence and to present witnesses who are deemed relevant to the charges. Character witnesses are limited to two per party. Witnesses must be identified at least one day prior to the hearing and the chair of the HBSA can limit the number of witnesses if it seems repetitious. The one-day notice for witnesses can be waived if all parties agree to let the witness testify. Witnesses who are unable to appear at the time of the hearing may present a written statement or a tape of their testimonies.

Questioning is done by the HBSA, and is typically oral. Any participant may request for the questioning to be done in part or entirely through writing.

The HBSA adjudicates an alleged violation of the Conduct Standard on Sexual Assault. If any other alleged violation or confirmed violation occurred at the same time as the alleged sexual assault violation, that violation will be adjudicated concurrently by the board.

"Prior student violations do come into play quite significantly when a decision of responsibility is reached. The prior record is never opened up or introduced unless a decision of responsibility has been reached by the board. Only at that point during the sanctioning … is that file ever shared," Conrad said.

According to the Student Handbook, "The outcome of the hearing [is] rendered only on the basis of evidence relevant to the charge(s) which was presented at the hearing and not on irrelevant or external information or opinions about the background, personality or reputation of those involved."

Conrad said that irrelevant information often arises during hearings, and it is the responsibility of the HBSA to determine what information is pertinent and what is not.

"It is my obligation to make sure that witnesses that are allowed to testify are relevant witnesses, and I do that through constant advice from our legal counsel. He gives me advice as to whether that testimony would be relevant or not. During the actual hearing there is lots of relevant information that might come up … and it is up to the chair of the board to first indicate whether that's relevant or not," Conrad said. "Anybody can challenge that as well. Any board member, any respondent, any aggrieved party can challenge relevance issues at any point in time. If any relevance issues are ever challenged, then the whole board convenes and makes a decision about relevance."

According to the Student Handbook, "The basis for determining responsibility for a violation of the Conduct Standard on Sexual Assault by the HBSA is a preponderance of evidence that supports the position that the alleged violation more likely than not occurred in the way charged. There must be a vote in the affirmative by at least three of five HBSA members to reach a finding of responsibility for each charge."

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> —***Meredith Field** '05, HBSA member*

"It is easier to convict in our system than in a criminal or civil case….I think that you would not be getting a whole lot of people coming forward if it were under a different standard of proof. I cannot give you any solid evidence to that fact, but one of the main reasons why our standard of proof is lower is because the worst possible outcome in our system is a separation from an institution," Conrad said.

It takes a vote of 3-to-2 to determine if the respondent is held responsible. Once a verdict of responsibility has been reached, the board votes again on the punishment. The only way a student can be expelled is if the second vote is unanimous for expulsion. If the vote for expulsion results in a 4-to-1 majority, the student will be suspended. If the vote for expulsion results in a 3-to-2 majority or less, then the board votes on a variety of other punishments listed in the Student Handbook.

Martell and Ruhlin said they have a problem with the burden of proof as being on a "preponderance of evidence" basis.

"At Bucknell it is a 51-49 [majority], whereas in real court, it is more like 75-25 or 85-15. In real court, you have to have real evidence going for you, not just he said/she said," Ruhlin said.

"Preponderance of evidence gets away from pursuing the truth," Martell said. "There doesn't need to be real discussion because all you need is a 51-49 [majority decision]."

According to the Association for Student Judicial Affairs, preponderance of evidence is the standard used by just over half of the boards adjudicating sexual assault cases on campuses.

"The one difference between the University standard in any case as opposed to a criminal case is that they operate on the beyond a reasonable doubt, and the University standard is what is more likely to have occurred than not. Once again, we are in an educational environment," Commerford said.

Conrad said the process of determining a verdict of responsibility is not easy.

"It's not just as simple as he said/she said. I can't recall a hearing that has lasted under five hours. So if you think about that, there's lots of information that's presented to the board, and at the end of the day, they have a standard of proof that they must use to determine whether that is more likely to have occurred or not," Conrad said.

Field does not think the process is fair.

"There is a lack of due process in the system. I recognize that this is a private institution and that it is governed by its own policies but due process is a basic constitutional right that people aren't always afforded here," Field said.

Conrad, Commerford and Snyder agreed that the process at the University is fair.

"I have been involved with two hearings, and I think it is a fair system. And I consider myself a fair person; I have a daughter and two sons and I do not think I could support a process that isn't fair," Snyder said.

Conrad said that the system is not gender-biased.

"It is really important to me that the process be a fair one for both parties. That is probably the most important thing in my role as JASA to make sure that the process is a fair one to both parties," Conrad said. "And we take the adjudication of the alleged violation really seriously. I have both sons and daughters and I don't want any process or anything to be unfair to either gender."

Commerford emphasized the importance of the fairness of the University's system.

"[The system is] absolutely fair. We've had our board on sexual assault for I would imagine 15 years, and it stands by itself … and I know I try and Dean Conrad tries to make things as clear and specific as possibly can be, and it's very, very important to both of us as members of this community and professionals in this field that it be done according to every procedure in the [Student Handbook]," Commerford said.

Sexual assault policies at other institutions

According the Student Handbook of Colgate University, when a person is accused of sexual assault, the disciplinary officer sends a letter in writing to the respondent stating "a specific description of the possible violation."

At Bucknell, the information Abdulghani was provided with was the date of the alleged assault, the name of the victim and that he was charged with level one sexual assault.

For the 2002-2003 school year, Harvard University adopted a new procedure for peer-on-peer misconduct, including sexual assault. Under the new procedure, a preliminary investigation is conducted to determine whether the complaint has the potential to be resolved through a hearing.

The first step for the procedure at Harvard is for the aggrieved party to submit to the university a detailed written statement that summarizes his or her complaint against the respondent, along with a descriptive list of all sources of information including people, correspondence, records and actions taken. After the statement is given, an initial investigation is opened.

The respondent is then informed of the allegations and is asked to prepare a written statement, as well as a list of sources supporting the information he or she has provided.

At Bates College in Maine, it states specifically in the Student Handbook that both the accused and accusing student may seek personal support from any member of the Bates community both before and during the hearing. This support person is separate from the student's hearing adviser. The support person may attend the student's pre-hearing and may speak with the student during the actual hearing, but may not ask questions or give testimony during the hearing. The Health Center will also provide support to both parties.

The Bates Student Handbook also explains the role of Judicial Educators during the adjudication process.

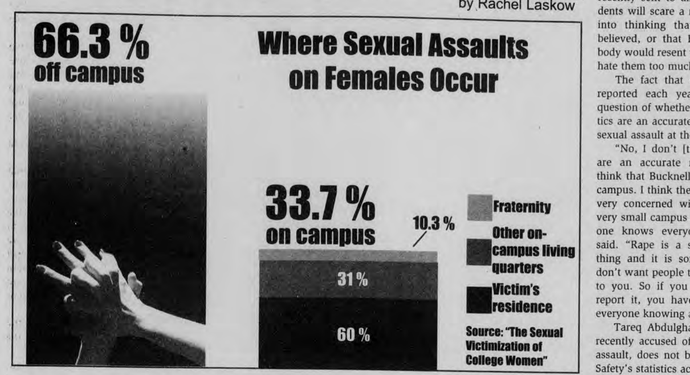
According to the Bates handbook, "The Judicial Educators serve as resource persons, not currently associated with the SCC or the Dean of Students Office, who are available to explain the disciplinary procedures of the college….The Judicial Educators are available to the students even before an investigation is begun by the Deans."

… Sexual Assault at Bucknell

An inside look at statistics

"If there is a sexual assault on campus, we want that matter to be dealt with honestly and justly."
—Dean Ferraro

by Rachel Laskow



Between Nov. 1, 2002 and Nov. 15, 2002 there were three reported rape incidents at the University that went to trial. According to Dean of Students Richard Ferraro, there were several other cases. It is important to keep in mind that students often do not report sexual assaults to University officials, and instead just keep it to themselves or tell a confidante. This article examines how University statistics and relate to nationwide ones.

The stats

According to Ferraro, each quarter he meets with members from Public Safety, the Office of Housing and Residential Life, Psychological Services, Student Health Services, as well as others to discuss instances of sexual assault at the University. These statistics are reported each quarter in Notes and Notices.

Public Safety's Web site has an annual compilation of these statistics in a format required by the Clery Act and compatible with the FBI national reporting format. The Clery Act requires that the University keep a public record of all on-campus sexual assaults that were reported to Public Safety. Once verified as true, sexual assaults must be listed in Public Safety's daily and annual reports, as a result of The Student Right-To-Know and Campus Security Act of 1990.

Although Director of Public Safety Vincent DeCerchio said the University complies with the act, only 36.5 percent of schools reported crime statistics in a manner fully consistent with the Clery Act, according to the 2002 "Campus Sexual Assault: How America's Institutions of Higher Education Respond."

The University's statistics are also sent to the Pennsylvania State Police for its annual report. The state police send the statistics to the FBI for inclusion in its annual national statistics report.

Sexual assault statistics are published in Public Safety's daily police crime and safety logs, as well as *The Bucknellian*'s Public Safety Log. Hard copies of the information are also available.

"We do not learn about some sexual offenses until the quarterly sexual assault reporting group meeting when we review those cases reported confidentially to staff to determine their validity," DeCerchio said. "After these meetings, the Dean of Students Office reports these in a publication and we add them to our log and annual statistics."

Despite the fact that sexual assault is a concern at the University, some students feel that the information is not as readily available as it could be.

"I think sexual assault is a problem, but I don't really know a lot about it. [The University] doesn't publicize it a lot," Tim Spann '03 said.

Although the information is not as accessible as some would like, Ferraro is insistent that the University does not want to cover up rape.

"If there is a sexual assault on campus, we want that matter to be dealt with honestly and justly," Ferraro said.

Many students were not aware of the number of sexual assaults that occur at the University each year and were surprised when they heard about Public Safety's statistics.

"I think sexual assault is more common at Bucknell than people think. I would think a lot more have occurred," Emily Resnick '03 said.

Sexual assault still proves to be a problem at the University, even though few cases are reported.

"If one women gets raped on campus, that's enough for us to be concerned," Interim Director of the Women's Resource Center Mary Snyder said.

Ferraro also feels that people should focus less on the statistics and worry more about the problem.

"On a certain level, it is really not terribly meaningful if the number of college women that has been assaulted by graduation is 25 percent (the one in four statistic that is often cited) or a lower percentage such as 20 percent or 10 percent. We really need to eradicate sexual assault, whether it is slightly more or less prevalent, because it has such an awful effect on people's lives," Ferraro said.

Unreported cases

A study conducted by National Institute of Justice and Bureau of Justice Statistics, U.S. Department of Justice, "The Sexual Victimization of College Women," shows that less than 5 percent of completed or attempted rapes against college women were reported to law enforcement. In two-thirds of the incidents, the victim did tell another person, usually a friend, not family or school officials.

Sexual assault survivor Vicki Swinnerton '05 said that she first told her friends about her rape, rather than law enforcement.

"I did the same thing and I did it partly because I waited to tell anyone. I didn't know if I had enough evidence to press criminal charges. I mean, I have the truth on my side, but the law enforcement officials and juries, etc. don't know me. They have no idea who to believe," Swinnerton said. "Also, it is hard enough to tell anyone, let alone complete strangers. I told my best friends first. I didn't want to tell my parents because he had already hurt me and I didn't want them to hurt because of him and what he did as well. It was one of the hardest things I have ever had to tell them."

Ferraro said that there is always an element of uncertainty regarding the percentage of sexual assaults that are reported.

"It is absolutely clear that sexual assault is underreported and that almost has to be the case since such a very personal and traumatic matters are frequently involved. But it's hard to know how much they are underreported," Ferraro said.

Marc Lewis '06, who is part of the One in Four program, also said that sexual assaults at the University are often not reported.

"I have heard of at least one event already this year, and I am not in a particular position where people would come to me about it," Lewis said. "I would think that the letter recently sent to all of the male students will scare a number of victims into thinking that they won't be believed, or that Bucknell's student body would resent them and doubt or hate them too much."

The fact that so few cases are reported each year brings up the question of whether or not the statistics are an accurate representation of sexual assault at the University.

"No, I don't [think the statistics are an accurate representation]. I think that Bucknell is such a private campus. I think the students here are very concerned with image. It is a very small campus and almost everyone knows everyone," Swinnerton said. "Rape is a scary and serious thing and it is something that you don't want people to know happened to you. So if you press charges or report it, you have to worry about everyone knowing and judging you."

Tareq Abdulghani, 20, who was recently accused of level one sexual assault, does not believe that Public Safety's statistics accurately represent what happens in the University's judicial system.

"I know a student whose charge of forcible rape occurred in 2001. I don't know that many people, but if it happened to one person I know during that year, it's possible that it happened to some that I don't know," Abdulghani said. "The problem as I can see it is that Bucknell leaves out the case or doesn't report them to Public Safety. Therefore, they are not in the official crime statistics which must be made available."

Other stats

Between Aug. 15, 2002 and Nov. 15, 2002 there were two reported rape incidents at Bucknell that went to trial.

A 2000 study reports the victimization rate was 27.7 rapes per 1,000 female college students.
—*The Sexual Victimization of College Women*

Females as victims

34 percent of the men in a sample of 204 university students found that they were verbally coerced, physically restrained, intimidated or physically harmed in some way to perform an act that can be defined as sexual assault.
—*Archives of Sexual Behavior*

Males as victims

Where sexual assaults occur

Public Safety reports that there were two reported nonforcible sex offenses at the University in 2001. Administrative Lieutenant James Middleton said these cases are verifiable. Both occurred at campus residential facilities. According to DeCerchio, nonforcible sex offenses are sex with a legally underaged person with or without his or her consent. There was also one forcible sex offense that occurred on public property.

"The Sexual Victimization of College Women" shows that of victims of completed rape, 33.7 percent were victimized on campus and 66.3 percent off campus. The report also shows that for completed rapes, nearly 60 percent that took place on campus occurred in the victim's residence, 31 percent occurred in other living quarters on campus and 10.3 percent occurred at a fraternity.

Despite the University's statistic of reported sex offenses, Swinnerton agrees with the national statistic.

"I think that it may be because there are always people out and about on campus and there is more chance of getting caught. I think that it is true

Males are also victims

The majority of victims who report sexual assaults are females, but males are also victims of sexual assault. Since he has been at the University, Assistant Dean of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs Lewis Marrara has not heard of any cases of males being sexually assaulted here, but he has seen it at other schools, such as Virginia Tech. Marrara is currently working on his dissertation of male survivors of sexual assault.

According to "Archives of Sexual Behavior," a study of 204 university students found that 34 percent of the men in the survey were verbally coerced, physically restrained, intimidated or physically harmed in some way to perform an act that can be defined as sexual assault.

Despite the fact that males are victims of sexual assault, there are not as many resources on campus for them.

"If I were a 20-year-old male and sexually assaulted, I would be hesitant to go to a women's center," Marrara said.

Marrara said when he was in college, males would not have come forward if they were sexually assaulted.

One in four

Perhaps the most well-known sexual assault statistic at the University is the one in four statistic, which originates from a 1994 national study. The University started the One in Four program as a response to women's sexual victimization. According to a national survey of over 6,000 college students, one in four women reported that they had experienced a rape or an attempted rape since the age of 14.

Bonnie Fisher, an author of "The Sexual Victimization of College Women," reminds people to keep in mind that the one in four statistic is a lifetime estimate, where her study deals with a school year.

At Bucknell, and other universities around the country, the One in Four program helps people understand sexual assault, how it hurts people and how they can help someone who discloses an incident sexual assault to them.

"What we started finding out was that people really wanted to know how to help a sexual assault survivor. What we ask at the beginning of every program now is, 'How many have had your lives touched by sexual assault, someone close to you or a family member,' and over half of the group will raise their hands," Snyder said.

According to campssafety.org, Lehigh University had zero reported incidents of forcible rape in 2001. Bloomsburg University had one reported incident.

Although Bucknell's and other universities' numbers appear to be low, the 2000 report "The Sexual Victimization of College Women" shows that the victimization rate was 27.7 rapes per 1,000 female college students. The study also shows that some women were victimized more than once, making the rate of incidents 35.3 per 1,000 female students. A campus that has 10,000 women could potentially have more than 350 rape incidents in a given academic year.

Varying data and false reports

One reason sexual assault statistics vary is because of where the data is collected.

"You can't always extrapolate from the Midwest or a college in the Midwest and use that in our college or area. I think that's very illuminating because without mentioning anything to do with all this, there are statistics quoted that are taken and used for here, but they don't necessarily represent the population here," Snyder said.

Some people also believe that sexual assault statistics are inaccurate because false reports are filed. In a recent letter from Christina Abdulghani regarding her son Tareq's accusation of sexual assault, she wrote, "In spite of studies that show that 50 percent of accusations of rape made on college campuses are false, there is no system to support the accused in such a situation."

According to a 1997 Columbia Journalism Review article, FBI statistics since 1991 have shown that the annual rate for false reporting of forcible sexual assault across the country has been a consistent 8 percent (through 1995). The author also notes that that number is four times higher than the average of false reporting rates of other crimes tracked by the FBI in its Uniform Crime Report.

Marrara does not think people lie about being sexually assaulted.

"When someone is sexually assaulted, it's true. Why would you want to create something like that in your head?" Marrara said.

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The Bucknellian Editorial

University ignorant to needs of students

Throughout the past few weeks, sexual assault at the University has been brought to the forefront and has been the topic of much discussion and debate. This dialogue stemmed from a letter sent home to the parents of all male students by Christina Abdulghani, mother of expelled student Tareq Abdulghani, cautioning parents to warn their sons about the injustices in the University judicial system.

The letter has since incited fear in both male and female students at the University and exposed several weaknesses in the organization and specificity of the judicial process.

Now, men may not only fear that they will be the victims of a false sexual assault accusation, but the victims of a biased judicial board as well.

The letter also has effectively accused University women of arbitrarily charging men of committing sexual assault. Currently, more sexual assaults occur on campus than are reported. With the stigma that accusing someone of sexual assault may result in the survivor's accountability being questioned, more cases may tragically remain unreported.

Even the statistics of reported sexual assaults are somewhat of a mystery, both to obtain and understand. It took an experienced *Bucknellian* reporter two weeks to uncover sexual assault statistics for the University.

When the reporter finally did obtain these statistics, they were inconsistent and difficult to decipher. While the University may not purposely be making these numbers hard to research and comprehend, the difficulty encountered when trying to obtain such statistics is indicative of the overall lack of organization in which they are reported.

Considering that sexual assault statistics are grossly underestimated, how are students expected to have an accurate view of their security?

Yes, statistics are available on Public Safety's Web site, but students might question whether they are comprehensive reflections of the University community.

In addition, how are students expected to understand the judicial process that has been established to protect that security?

Very few students even keep their Student Handbooks, which outlines the judicial process, not to mention bother to carefully read it.

To further complicate the overall lack of knowledge regarding the judicial process, the sexual assault section of the Student Handbook is so ambiguous and unordered that a student trying to gain an understanding of his or her rights would be presented with a difficult task.

The focus of the support system is also biased in favor of the victim. For the victim, there are several sections that outline his or her judicial options and detail places to receive support.

For the accused, there are no such sections. In fact, until December 2002, there was not even a University advocate for the accused.

Several University men addressed the Bucknell Student Government two weeks ago requesting that changes be made to sexual assault proceedings. They requested that men be provided with a support system similar to the the women's resource center where they would all feel comfortable going, whether they are the victim of a sexual assault or the accused.

When a sexual assault occurs on campus, the comfort level of all students and the security of the entire community is jeopardized. Students should not feel that they live in an inhospitable environment that will cast judgment on them if they report a sexual assault or are accused of one.

Students have a right to know about sexual assault on campus and a right to know their options when a sexual assault occurs, and ignorance is never an option. By failing to fulfill its obligation to educate students about the statistics, judicial procedure and advisory options available in sexual assault cases, the University is exhibiting and advocating an attitude of ignorance and indifference to the needs of students.

Letters to the editor

Heiter Community Center thanks SAE

To the Editor:

Speaking as the President of the Board of the Donald Heiter Community Center, I wish to express to the members of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon (SAE) Fraternity of Bucknell University deep and heartfelt appreciation for a job not only well done, but well done with enthusiasm and style. The fifth annual Chocolate Lover' Fantasy Festival, held at the Street of Shops on Feb. 1, was a great success.

The efforts of the young men of SAE helped raise more than $6,000 in support of the event. They worked without stint from 10 a.m. to well past midnight in all aspects of setup, support, serving and cleanup for this fundraiser event. They provide a superb example of the many positive efforts by University students in support of the Lewisburg community, and they deserve our sincere praise and gratitude.

Sincerely,
Jane Amacher

Professor's statement at forum offends student

To the Editor:

I am writing to voice my disgust over Professor Hilbourne Watson's characterization of Secretary of State Colin Powell as a "slave" to his "master" President Bush during the recent campus forum on Iraq (2/13). When Secretary Powell presented the evidence against Iraq before the United Nations, he did so in good conscience. What would he have to gain as Bush's "slave"?

Several opinion polls prior to the 2000 election positioned Powell as a powerful presidential candidate, should he have chosen to run. He already had the opportunity to run for president (really the only position above his own) if he wished, so why would he docilely do Bush's bidding?

Watson's words are racist, pure and simple. Would he have used the same characterization if a black secretary of state working in the Clinton Administration were to present the same evidence? I think not.

Disagreeing with the actions of a public figure is one thing, but then lowering the dialogue to racial epithets is quite another. Diversity of thought needs to be respected just as much as diversity of racial and cultural background. Professor Watson's comments were irresponsible, and not at the standard required of a Bucknell faculty member.

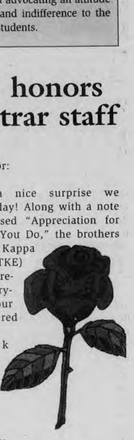
I hope that the presenters in forthcoming forums are more carefully chosen.

Sincerely,
Brian Bialas '04

TKE honors registrar staff

To the Editor:

What a nice surprise we received today! Along with a note that expressed "Appreciation for Everything You Do," the brothers of Tau Kappa Epsilon (TKE) Fraternity presented everyone in our office with red carnations.



Thank you TKE for thinking of us. It made our day!

Sincerely,
Gretchen Fegley
Registrar's Office Assistant

University fines extract more student money

By Tom Elliott
Senior Writer

So, a mother goes downstairs into her son's room and observes that he is legally drinking, but in a manner which she disfavors—perhaps a game of quarters. She then reprimands him. She informs him that he is no longer allowed to move from the house next year (even though he is 21), he must move into the better room he was promised for next year, he must attend counseling, write an essay to his father, relinquish his driving privileges, perform 20 hours of community service and she is going to tell his mean uncle about this. He thinks the worst is over, but then she demands he pay her $200. Lastly, if he does it again, he's kicked out.

This probably wouldn't be considered the functioning of a normal family. But it is the functioning of what University President Steffen Rogers likes to call, "the Bucknell Family." If you like paying fines, then it's a good thing you're enrolled here.

I sent an e-mail to my fraternity and some other friends, asking if they knew some egregious examples of ways in which the administration taps into our wallets—and while we all know our school robs us blind at every opportunity it gets, I wasn't prepared for the huge quantity of responses I received. People were clearly upset; several unprintable comments were made in reference to our school.

The judicial system received many complaints. Most said that it seemed unnecessary to punish students in a variety of ways, for small things, only to slap a fat fine on at the end. Also, many protested what they viewed as "double jeopardy." When students get in trouble downtown, they deal with the Lewisburg authorities and pay their due. Incomprehensibly, the administration then seeks to profit off the student's misfortune.

"When I was caught downtown with an open container, Bucknell gave me two more points, and fined me $150 as well. It wasn't even on their property," Sean Murphy '03 wrote. "I only had to pay Lewisburg $100."

"My brother went abroad to Gallway, Ireland," Rob Defina '04 wrote. "It only cost $7,000 for the semester. Bucknell forced him to pay an extra $5,000 or they wouldn't accept his credits. The $5,000 my parents were forced to pay received no service in return."

You would think it would be relatively cheap to go to school in the middle of nowhere, live in a small dorm room and eat in a cafeteria. But surprisingly, it seems universally to be the case that flying off to a foreign country, renting an apartment and taking classes overseas costs about half of what it does to go here. Unfortunately, the administration sees to it that no money is saved by students or their parents.

Parking was an issue that generated much attention. There is a huge empty lot behind Fraternity Road that is left empty day in and day out. Unfortunately, students are not permitted to park there.

Citing a lack of available spaces, students protested what they saw as ridiculously high-priced parking tickets. After just one ticket, students can begin incurring $100 tickets for subsequent violations.

Not one city I have ever visited in the entire world has even come close to have parking tickets this high—and this coming from a place where students can only afford $1 beers. Apparently, the University often rakes in upwards of $100,000 a year in parking fines. And we aren't even that big of a school!

Housing was another situation that created distress.

"This year, Hunt and Vedder Halls were renovated," Zerai Hagos '03 wrote. "Instead of allowing more students to live off-campus to accommodate this, they allowed even less." The "Mods" were, surprisingly, originally designed as doubles, but then turned into rooms for five. Singles were turned into doubles. And empty houses remained downtown.

The Greek system also provides a good revenue source for our administration. It is estimated that the school receives close to $100,000 a year through fining various fraternities and sororities.

There was also much anger over meal plans. Last semester, when Greek pledges were supposed to have their meal plans turned over to their respective houses, the administration repeatedly refused to do this. Aside from altering pledge programs, the inaction left almost every fraternity with a financial burden.

The C-Store, it was observed, also charges about 20 percent more on products than do stores in the surrounding area. Each meal credit sells for $7.05, and can then be redeemed for $2.50 during breakfast and $3 and change during lunch. A standard sandwich and beverage costs more than the meal credit allotment.

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"I, as well as every other freshman here, pay for 19 meals a week. Not only do I not eat that many meals in the cafeteria each week, but they are only good for certain windows of time after which they simply disappear," Nate Sartell '06 wrote. "Also, the Bison is a big-time rip-off. Our meal credit is supposedly worth over $7 for dinner in the caf, but only $4.45 for dinner in the Bison. It's nice how a lot of things in the Bison cost over $4.45 so they get our meal credit plus a few cents extra each time."

And yet, there were more.

"Last semester I only needed one credit to graduate," Adam Levine '02 wrote. "By living off-campus and paying for the one credit, I would have paid about $1,500, but they instead forced me to take at least three credits so they could get the $15,000 from me."

"Fines for damages to residence halls I did not commit? How petty is that, asking for an extra $23.44 on top of $30,000? Please, unless I started a fire, take it out of tuition," Matt Del Giudice '03 wrote.

"I was supposed to give Bucknell a meningitis form before enrollment, but I had already given them my medical information, which included the shot. I handed in the new form a day late; they charged me $25," Defina wrote.

"I don't see why they expect us to donate after this highway robbery," Adam Zivich '03 wrote.

There were actually several other things people were upset about, but lack of space prohibits me from addressing them.

What's most bothering is that many simply cannot afford attending school here. For the last three years, I have tried unsuccessfully to get a job on campus. When I've asked whether I could repay my debts to the school through more positive and constructive methods—such as community service, manual labor, driving a safe ride taxi, etc.—I've been met with the same response each time: "No, we want the money."

Perhaps most ironic, is that our education's price tag has just jumped to an astronomical rate of over $35,000, $28,764 of which is for tuition. With the exception of hard science, management and art majors, I would say the rest of us arts and science folk are experiencing a monumental rip-off.

If I were to put a price tag on the education I have received here, it wouldn't even approach the almost eighth of a million it actually costs.

And with the recent study the Bucknell University Conservatives Club published in the current edition of The Counterweight—which confirms a blatant liberal leaning of our faculty—it's truly upsetting that I have only had one professor in four years who wasn't a leftist.

$35,262.00? And they wonder why the student body is so homogenous.

Opinions

Would "women-only spaces" be productive?

By Phil Martoma
Senior Writer

In our country it is usually unpopular to defend any form of mandatory exclusivity. With regards to many historically oppressed minorities, it was very popular to challenge many old traditions of exclusivity because the people of the United States desire to be an inclusive community. This community judges people based on their individual contributions, rather than any particular external qualities they possess. Thus, when the issue of a women-only space is brought to our attention, many people naturally react with a sentiment of immediate animosity, as if such a suggestion were to somehow recreate the very challenges based on gender that the women's liberation movement sought to end.

However, when we analyze the nature of what is actually occurring, we find a different trend arising. We cannot analyze the value of a women-only space without first discussing the power relations that already exist in society and how they shape the manner with which an individual relates to the rest of their society. I personally believe, and this comes mostly from personal observations, that women are not as empowered as are men with regards to many aspects of life.

One such way in which women are not as empowered is with regard to the inequality in time they spend talking in the classroom. Since we are in a University setting, I feel I should focus on this particular issue. Last year, after reading about the disproportionate amount of time that female students spend talking to their professors in the classroom, I decided to do an experiment of sorts. I sat quietly and did not talk in a particular class and observed how often the students would make a comment, and tally only those comments that were longer than two or three word responses. My class was made up of seven men and three women, excluding myself, and I tallied them on three occasions throughout that semester. I found that the women made three comments, while the males made about 30. I realized then that many of the trends brought up by the articles I read seemed to be supported by these observations. I noticed that many times the women spoke, it was only when solicited by the professor, and for whatever reason, these particular students did not feel as comfortable speaking up in class as did their male counterparts.

One such conclusion many people might turn to would be segregating the sexes, although, this is not what I am suggesting. Instead, if for whatever reason, females are not as empowered as men with regards to voicing their opinions, or other aspects of our lives, then there is nothing wrong with trying to create "women-only spaces," from which they can shelter themselves from the forces that are disadvantaging them.

By Josh Fisher
Opinions Editor

War is illogical. Weapons of mass destruction are harmful. Violence is shameful, and so is sexual assault. Yet each is a manifestation of our power structure—our politics, government, corporations, economics and social life are indeed dominated by humans of the male persuasion.

It is therefore easy to jump to the conclusion that men are inherently inclined to this sort of behavior, without exception, worldwide. But with such a jump you would plummet into the deep logical pitfalls of second-wave feminism, popularized in the 1970s, a dualistic ideology that is both problematic and self-defeating. This perpetuation of the dualism between men and women is indeed the perpetuation of the very same problematic and hierarchical power relationships that a feminist wishes to dismantle.

The concept of "women-only spaces" establishes similar boundaries based on the gender phenotype. Advocates argue for certain spaces or events to be deemed "women only," and some were further displeased by the addition of a male monologue to the recent (and fantastic) production of "The Vagina Monologues" (bravo to Valerie Lam '04 and V-Day Bucknell).

As a longtime devout and outspoken feminist, I am confused by such arguments because indeed one must posit a distinction between the male and female in relation to misogyny and feminism as unique subsets of values. Those characteristics or attitudes that allow sexual assault, rape or sexism to occur are not inherited from biological gender, but instead socialized power hierarchies in a society, often based on gender.

The dualistic interpretation of gender identity and "women-only spaces" is therefore self-defeating and essentialist. To argue that a place belongs to one gender and not the other is the same sort of argument right-wing ideologues such as Jesse Helms have consistently set forth. Do women belong in the kitchen? Of course not. The kitchen is no more a "female" place than it is a "male" place. Excluding men who may even be devout feminists is counterproductive and counterintuitive—it is not biology that allows for such horrible tragedies like sexual assault, but a socialized attitude.

Empowerment of the female gender as we interpret it must come by combating the attitudes that allow for women to be thought of on a lower order of existence.

I am arguing against "women-only spaces" in favor of a broader definition and interpretation of the cause of sexual violence and sexism. I am arguing instead for "feminist-only spaces," including many anatomically male who combat the attitudes that facilitate female disempowerment.

"Women-only spaces" build walls, not bridges. The concept perpetuates the notion of an underlying antagonism between the genders, which is indeed the root of the problem in and of itself. The solution, instead, is to tear down the social barriers of the hierarchy in order to forge a new, egalitarian sets of values and relationships.

The renaissance of male chivalry

What men can do to prevent sexual assault and to support victims on campus

By Peter Hackeman
Opinions Editor

Unlike cereal from the caf or the last exam of the semester, responsibility is not something college students like to take. College is the last few years before we begin our responsibility-filled adult lives—60- and 70-hour workweeks, HMOs, 401Ks, mortgages and children can wait. We are young enough to enjoy today while knowing our talents and drive will ensure our success tomorrow.

When it comes to sexual assault, we need to take responsibility now. While sexual assault victimizes both genders, and without comparing the gravity of assaults against men to those against women, the vast majority of sexual assaults on this campus are perpetrated by men against women. This fact reflects poorly on all men on this campus. Every assault on a woman does more damage to our community and to the victim than many of us realize.

What makes this situation so unfortunate is that most men would never think of assaulting a woman. While there's nothing embarrassing with just worrying about our own actions and ourselves, we can and should do more. I'm hoping to reach some of those responsible men and share with them some things we can do to make our campus safer and more compassionate.

We shouldn't just take responsibility for our own actions; we should take pride in our school, our dorms, our houses, our gender. That means stopping sexual assault from happening whenever we see signs that it may be about to occur.

We all know the difference between a couple of people out to have a good time one weekend evening and a girl too intoxicated to walk, stand or talk being sexually assaulted. And that's what it's called in such a case; she's not just being taken advantage of, she's being assaulted. Guys, imagine the girl under assault was your sister, your girlfriend or your daughter. Then how would you feel? Would you do something to stop it? Do some brother, some guy, some father who you don't know a favor and intervene.

I'm not trying to claim that all or even most sexual assaults occur to drunk girls at weekend parties. This is simply one obvious example of a situation that almost all of us can relate to and that any of us could do something about. Unfortunately, some sexual assaults occur in ways that can't be prevented by vigilant members of the community. In these cases, we should do more to provide comfort, counseling and other necessary resources to the victims of sexual assault.

There are many groups on campus that devote time, energy and money to supporting women's issues. They should be commended for their efforts. One such group has met with controversy over the way it goes about raising money for this cause.

"The Vagina Monologues," a play put on by V-Day Bucknell, has become a firestorm of controversy. Detractors claim that the play is vulgar and doesn't address sexual assault directly. They claim that the play promotes a man-hating point of view by only portraying men in negative lights. Unfortunately for them, most of these critics have never read Eve Ensler's book or seen the play. Their opinions are based on other people's interpretations and gossip.

While I, and the vast majority of people who actually saw the play, have a very different opinion of it, the critics could do one of a couple of things to gain credibility in this discussion. These critics could try to read the book or even see the play once before posing as experts on its message. If they can't bring themselves to do that, then they should at least make a donation of $6 to V-Day Bucknell or directly to Susquehanna Valley Women in Transition. Next year, they could buy a ticket to the performance and then refuse to go. This way they are both helping the cause, one that I doubt anyone could be against, and also protesting the manner of fundraising.

In fact, if these critics wanted to impress everyone, they could spend months preparing a play or some other function of their liking. Have a play about former President Ronald Reagan, Barry Goldwater or about some wrongs they want to see righted in the world; put on a play that gives voice to victims of high taxes and government handouts. Do something proactive to help prevent sexual assault, like becoming a member of the One in Four group. We are all smart and energetic enough to do more than just complain.

It's up to the men on this campus who are concerned enough about this problem to do something about it. While, as men, many of us will never be able to sympathize with women who are sexually assaulted, we can do more to empathize and to help them deal with the traumatic experience.

The bottom line here is that sexual assault is a horribly traumatic crime that we can all help prevent. It's an offense against our society and our community when we decide to ignore this crime. Further, it's indefensible that more of us don't do more to provide assistance to the victims of this assault.

The unfortunate truth is that most of us won't fully comprehend these truths until someone we are close to is sexually assaulted. We may only realize the depth of this problem when it's too late to prevent this atrocity from happening to our sisters, daughters or best friends. Demand that other men join you in making a difference for a woman you might not know. Be chivalrous and look out for women you don't know, because someone cares about them, too.

Protesters fail to grasp reason for Iraqi war

By Aaron Hanlon
Senior Writer

The antiwar eccentrics strewn over college campuses and Workers' World Party "peace" protests are giving the non-partisan notion of pacifism a bad name. Donning Che Guevara banners and carrying signs with such moronic messages as "No War For Oil" and "Bush Is Hitler," these radical ideologues seem more interested in condemning America than fighting for peace.

War is not easy to support. The idea that disputes can, or in some cases seemingly must, be resolved by violence can be awfully tough to swallow for both pacifists and warhawks alike. This is the case because there are plenty of valid, logical reasons to oppose war of any kind. The Judeo-Christian ethos in its broadest and most secular sense teaches us not to kill or inflict harm on our neighbors. War inevitably leads to death and destruction. And to what end? None of us can even be certain that our good intentions in fighting a war as a "necessary evil" will come to fruition. To approach a potential war situation without healthy skepticism for the very idea of war would be irrational at best and inhuman at worst. That being said, there are frankly few arguments more easily made than opposition to war. In spite of this, many of those opposed to war in Iraq have bypassed the most valid and convincing reasons for opposition in favor of anti-American cheap shots that are no less blasphemous and idiotic than they are false and misleading.

The so-called "Bush's War" in Iraq is not a neo-imperialist crusade resulting from the whim of a neo-fascist dictator. With a majority of Americans and American policymakers in the most legitimate and time-tested democratic republic in the history of the world in support of the war in Iraq, we are hardly being blindfolded and led down the path of treachery that Hitler blazed years ago. Many honest Americans have honest desires to protect our country. The arrogant assumption that we are all being duped into war by Herr Bush and his neo-fascist propagandists is far-fetched and outright insulting to the average American. Let us not forget that, excluding the USA Patriot Act, the most egregious human rights violations are being committed not by the Bush administration and the United States, but by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's brutal regime; the same brutal regime that is responsible for torture and murder en masse. Yet, rather than opposing war for the purpose of achieving peace, many are overlooking the atrocities of Hussein's dictatorship to slander our president. It is arguable whether or not there could ever be another Hitler; another human being with such a combination of evil, insanity and manipulative ability. To assert that Bush is the next Hitler, while in the company of the reprehensible, Hussein is disgusting.

The suggestion that America is leaning toward war in Iraq for oil interests is equally unfounded and imbecile. Were America to come close to conquering Hussein's regime, common knowledge indicates that he would likely set his oil fields afire. Even after America spends billions of dollars to put out fires and make repairs, the payoff is far from certain. We have yet to reap the supposed economic benefits of liberating Kuwait in the early 1990s. This is the case because many of the regimes in the Middle East, liberated or not, depend on oil revenues. Many, like Kuwait, simply cannot afford to break with OPEC in order to show us gratitude. Conquering Iraq and setting up a democratic government there is not necessarily going to guarantee economic favors. In addition to this, America is in no way dependent upon the Middle East and OPEC for oil. According to the American Petroleum Institute, the United States gets only 13 percent of its oil from the Middle East, and an almost negligible 3 percent from Iraq. Are we going to fight a $50 billion war over 3 percent of our oil imports? Clearly, the suggestion that America is fighting a war for oil interests is unfounded and flat-out illogical. If anyone is viewing war in Iraq from an economic standpoint, it is surely our pseudo-allies in France and Germany, both of whom have been the beneficiaries of remunerative oil contracts with Iraq while simultaneously questioning America's motives.

There is certainly nothing ignoble about opposing war. Even in our most desperate times war is an unattractive option, and in some cases arguably an unattractive necessity. But criticism of war in Iraq, now our country's most demanding policy issue, should be well-thought-out and rooted in fact and logic. The ridiculous claims that we are considering risking human lives in Iraq for economic or undemocratic reasons suggests something deeper than pacifism. Those who perpetuate this anti-American propaganda are lucid examples, perhaps unwittingly, of the sort of hatred that is far more culpable for dividing the world than an impending American war against a brutal dictator in Iraq.

Letter distorts University women

By Katie Parker
Senior Writer

To all Bucknell male students: Women are not rape-criers.

A recent letter sent to the parents of all male students at the University by Christina Abdulghani would have you believe so. Ms. Abdulghani sent this letter in defense of her son, Tareq, after he was expelled from the University, having been found responsible for charges of sexual assault brought against him by a female student. Although you can certainly understand Ms. Abdulghani's desire to protect her son from what she feels to be an unfair and biased judicial process, you must question whether or not this letter was the way to do so. In the letter, Ms. Abdulghani states, "I want to make it clear that I am not writing this letter as an action against the women at Bucknell." I disagree, and further make the claim that even if Ms. Abdulghani did not mean for this letter to be an action against female students of the University, it is exactly that. This letter has done irreparable harm to the women of this campus, especially those who have been or will be the victims of sexual assault.

First of all, Ms. Abdulghani does not name the female student whom she is accusing of pressing false charges in this letter. Although certainly this is to the benefit of the woman who had to face these ungrounded accusations from the parent of her perpetrator, this namelessness allows these charges to extend to all the women of the University. In the eyes of our community (aside from the few members who are privy to information released in the trial), any female student on this campus could have been the woman who pressed these charges. Although Ms. Abdulghani states several times in her letter that she is mostly concerned with the inherent flaws in the University's judicial system, she also presses the point several times that the charges brought against her son are absolutely false. The implication is, of course, that the female student has lied. Her lack of specifics insinuates that any female student in the campus community could have been capable of the false accusations that led to her son's expulsion.

Her Web site takes this matter further. A link off of her Web site asks the question, "What are these girls thinking?" Clicking on the link leads to an article entitled "The Girl Who Cried Wolf." I suppose Ms. Abdulghani felt that on her Web site, she could get away with overtly and directly calling girls who report questionable sexual assaults "liars." Ideally, all sexual assaults would be clear-cut, but Ms. Abdulghani seems to think that if the accuser does not provide a videotaped confession along with semen samples and fingerprints, she's obviously lying. Not an action against women, indeed. False accusations of rape are a serious matter. They are terrifying, not only for the person being accused, but for any member of a community who supports a safe, comfortable, receptive environment where sexual assault victims feel secure enough to bring charges against their perpetrators. Sexual assault is a particularly problematic crime—it can look consensual, the physical evidence can be minimal and the survivor may not even remember her assault. These extenuating circumstances create a Catch-22 for the legal system (and for the University's judicial board). This controversial trend towards judicial lenience makes it less intimidating and more convincing to report an assault. It also opens up the possibility of false convictions based on minimal emphasis of physical evidence.

We want a community that will provide a safe environment for women. Ms. Abdulghani's letter constructs a community that is distrustful of women, and even biased against them. Although she aligns herself with feminism (both "literally and figuratively"), her letter nullifies and discounts several important steps that have raised sexual assault awareness (and thus increased awareness of women's rights issues) on this campus. She makes the claim that the University wants to "protect a system that probably gets them points at any politically correct conference they attend," reducing a judicial system, based upon a recognition of an increased risk of sexual assault on college campuses, to a strategic ploy by the University to present itself in a more PC-friendly light. She also argues that "declaring an event happened more than three weeks later cannot be the rule for assuming sexual assault." Ms. Abdulghani, despite the wealth of sexual assault knowledge she says she has taught her daughter, obviously has never heard of rape trauma syndrome, in which the survivor may feel disoriented, afraid and even hide the fact that she has been assaulted for a long period of time. This is not to mention Ms. Abdulghani's choice to include well-disputed statistics or her thoughtless endorsement of polygraph results in this case. For those of you who think the polygraph should be admitted, think about this—if Tareq doesn't think he raped this student, then obviously he will pass a polygraph. Do we want our community to be made up of people whose attitudes are so skewed towards women that they don't even know if they've committed rape? Ignorance should not be a valid defense in this case.

Ms. Abdulghani said in her letter that "Bucknell is far more concerned with what is comfortable than with what is true." What is "comfortable"? Is "comfortable" telling a roomful of strangers that you were held down by a man and forced to engage in a sexual act? Is "comfortable" knowing that your story has been spread to every parent of a male student on this campus? Is "comfortable" being called a liar, being accused of crying rape, being accused of needing attention? Is "comfortable" being another woman, now scared to come forward because of what may be sent home about her? No, Ms. Abdulghani, we are not more concerned with what is "comfortable." We are concerned with providing an environment where women feel safe reporting any assault they encounter, without having to worry about attacks from people like you.

BUSINESS & POLITICS

People across the globe protest war with Iraq

Courtesy of Reuters

Antiwar protesters gathered last Saturday in Hyde Park in London, in the biggest demonstration in British history, against a U.S.-led war against Iraq. Hundreds of thousands of protesters in London joined millions of protesters across the globe in the largest antiwar protests since the Vietnam War.

By Gretchen Schrock
Business & Politics Editor

Protesters gathered in New York City and scores of other cities across the United States, Europe and Asia on Saturday to peacefully demonstrate against the Bush administration's planned military invasion of Iraq.

The New York Times reported that the crowds in New York represented a "broad new antiwar movement," which condemned U.S. President George W. Bush's eagerness for war, while denying any form of sympathy for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and his dictatorial government. They also criticized Bush's so-called obsession with his father's Persian Gulf War in 1991 and its failure to overthrow Hussein.

Vice President Dick Cheney, Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld and Secretary of State Colin Powell were also targets for denunciation.

Many demonstrators agreed that Hussein should not be permitted to possess weapons of mass destruction, but that preemptive military strikes were immoral and would harm the domestic economy. They would also deepen already-noticeable divisions between the United States and the Arab world and further undermine fragile American alliances in Europe and Asia.

"We see the war against Iraq as unjust. We don't believe Bush's rhetoric. I think he's not acting in the best interest of the American people. We're risking the lives of hundreds of American soldiers and an untold number of lives in the Middle East, and a war will not solve the problem of terrorism. It disgusts me. I can't accept that," said Angela Tsang, 21, a Barnard College student who was part of the Columbia University Antiwar Coalition, in Amsterdam, Brussels, Barcelona, Rome, Melbourne, Cape Town, Johannesburg, Auckland, Seoul, Tokyo and Manila. Many of the demonstrators insisted that the United States' interest in Iraq centers not on disarming Hussein, but on its need for oil.

"Bush will never admit it, but I know this war is about the oil because you look in the paper and you read about North Korea conducting nuclear testing, and Bush doesn't seem too worried bout that," said William Bazot, a 36-year-old Parisian holding his infant boy, who wore a cardboard sign declaring "No to the War," *The New York Times* reported.

As protests unfolded in more than 350 cities around the world, few violent incidents were reported, according to *The New York Times*. The police in Athens released tear gas and fought with demonstrators who threw rocks and gasoline bombs. No serious injuries were recorded.

The New York Times reported that organizers labeled this demonstration the "largest and most diverse peace protest since the Vietnam War." It was "the culmination of a global campaign that has been building for weeks in opposition to the growing threat of war, with thousands marching, rallying, signing petitions, raising money, publishing articles and using the Internet to enlist a diverse coalition of citizens and celebrities," including Nobel Peace Prize winner Archbishop Desmond Tutu of South Africa, folk singer Pete Seeger and actors Danny Glover, Susan Sarandon and Harry Belafonte.

People from varying political, social and economic backgrounds participated in the protests—college students, middle-aged couples, families with small children, veterans of the civil rights and antiwar movement of the 1960s and groups representing labor, environmental, religious, business and civic organizations.

According to CNN.com, film director Rob Reiner said in Los Angeles, "This is the greatest support we could ever give to our troops because what we are trying to do is protect them from going into harm's way needlessly. There is no God-awful reason to go to war at this moment. There is no reason to rush into this war, and what we are trying to do is protect our troops from sending them into harm's way."

The White House responded to the demands of the demonstrators by asserting that Bush is still hoping for a peaceful disarmament of the Iraqi government and views force only as a last resort, according to CNN.com.

Millions march for peace

By Tim Hinkle
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❖ Commentary

An estimated 13 million people around the world gathered to voice their opposition to the war on Iraq last Saturday. In Rome, London, Seoul, Tel Aviv, New York, Los Angeles and over 600 cities spanning every continent, huge marches demonstrated growing resistance to U.S. President George W. Bush and British Prime Minister Tony Blair coalition's desire to test the unprecedented doctrine of preemptive war. The marches, organized largely via the Internet, unified a diverse array of groups with a common desire for a more peaceful world.

I was in New York City to participate in the rally at Dag Hammerskjold Plaza. As someone who believes that America's current foreign policy is leading the world farther from peace, not towards it, I have been against the war on Iraq from day one. But it was not until I saw the hundreds of thousands of like-minded people crowding into the streets of Manhattan that I first believed war might not be inevitable. The energy was thick with hope as people carried banners of all types, beat drums and engaged in creative direct action. Many carried signs reading slogans such as, "War orphans make the best terrorists," and "How many lives per gallon does your car get?"

When New York City deployed thousands of police to engage in complicated and often violent crowd control, keeping many from the actual staging area, people chanted "Whose streets? Our streets," refusing to let their spirits be dampened. After making it through the maze of streets that the NYPD had closed off and seeing Archbishop Desmond Tutu and others speak for peace, I joined an impromptu march to Central Park with a group of street performers from Vermont who had made hundreds of puppets representing the innocent and faceless people that will die as a result of a U.S.-led war on Iraq.

Despite the growing opposition to the war, American politicians remain essentially silent, maintaining their rubber-stamp mentality for Bush's pro-war agenda. On Feb. 12, Senator Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., said in a speech before the U.S. Senate, "This Chamber is, for the most part, silent—ominously, dreadfully silent. There is no debate, no discussion, no attempt to lay out for the nation the pros and cons of this particular war. There is nothing."

While our leaders have been silent, the people have not. More marches are being planned all over the country and the world. A convergence on the White House has been announced for March 1.

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I met people on the train into New York that were collecting money to send Reverend Fredrick Boyle of Randolph, N.J., and hundreds of others to Baghdad to act as human shields. Such utter devotion to the human family gives me hope that the people of the world can convince Bush to end his drive to war. Human society stands on the precipice of a war that could very well lead to terrible and unimaginable consequences. We must make every possible step towards peace. Bush has done the opposite, arguing and preparing for war from the beginning.

It is time for the people of the world to demand peace with one collective voice. We must not let our leaders convince us with meager evidence and propaganda that war is necessary. Peace is the answer our society seeks, whether we know it or not. But going to war with Iraq will not achieve peace—only more fear, hatred and violence. So if you are a human of conscience who cares for this planet and the future of its inhabitants, say "No" to war on Iraq.

Retailers blanketed with snowfall

By Jim Leahy
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It started falling Sunday afternoon while the Bison were finishing off the Midshipmen in Sojka Pavilion on ESPN2. It continued through the night and left us with a thick blanket of fluffy, white snow, which was enough to allow students a rare day off from classes at the University. Around the Northeast, people were staying home instead of doing just what businesses need—shopping at the President's Day sales.

Department stores and other retailers up and down the East Coast spent the past several weeks advertising their sales in newspapers and on television. The crippling snowfalls that were seen across the region forced most stores to remain closed on Monday, with public officials asking motorists to stay off the roads.

The chairman of Boscov's, Albert Boscov, said Monday on MSNBC.com that he was contemplating running his sale on Saturday due to a lost day of sales throughout his mid-Atlantic base. Saturday is George Washington's actual birthday and this would make the sale even more of a President's Day sale.

"In comparison to Christmas, it's not a big deal," Boscov said.

Wal-Mart was forced to close many of its stores in nine states along the East Coast. Tim Williams, a spokesman for the company, told MSNBC.com that the revenue could be made up fairly quickly if the store is stocked when it reopens following the weather closing.

"The key thing is to be ready when they do come," Williams said. "You only sell what's on your shelves."

"A storm at this time is the worst thing that could happen to retailers," said C. Britt Beemer, chairman of America's Research Group, according to MSNBC.com. "It is a big loss to sales. Whether a store is open or not, consumers are not going to risk injury to go out shopping."

The region around Washington, D.C., was hardest hit and retailers there will feel the effects of the storm the most. The city received more than two feet of snow and its roads were closed in most places.

The Washington Post reported the widespread closings in the area. Hecht's was offering more than 60 percent off its winter merchandise that was still available on store shelves. An automobile dealership, Landmark Honda, "was looking to meet or beat the 25 to 30 cars it normally sells on President's Day, one of the biggest sales days of the year." In addition, US Airways saw its plans for a strong weekend of travel grounded, along with many of its planes, in the Northeast.

All this snow is just adding to the headaches being felt generally by retailers and businesses. The massive uncertainty gripping the nation regarding the possibility of war in Iraq, problems with North Korea, a rift with NATO and the European Union and the continuing fear over a possible attack by al-Qaida are all creating a terrible environment for business. Consumers are not spending the same amount of money they used to simply because they do not know what is going to happen.

Frank Badillo, a senior economist with Retail Forward, told CNN that a coming war could bring a sustained period of weakness to the retail market.

"When you look back to [the last Iraq war in] 1991, when the shooting started it definitely caused a weak period to become even weaker. Once the tide turned very quickly in favor of the United States, there was a big bounce-back in consumer confidence, but it turned out to be very fleeting because the underlying fundamentals weren't strong enough to carry a rebound," Badillo said.

"If things go well and these [war] issues resolve by midyear, there's a chance for a modest rebound developing in the second half of the year," Badillo said. This is due to the fundamentals looking much stronger this time.

Courtesy of Reuters

A cross-country skier passes through Times Square in New York City. Forecasters predicted 18-22 inches of snow from a storm that rocked the Northeast and forced many already stressed businesses to close.

Some businesses are laughing at this snow all the way to the bank. The rock salt business is booming as many cities are spending more on snow control this year than in most. Plow operators are also making more money. In addition, ski-mountain operators in most areas of the Northeast are having their best winter in years.

Deep snowdrifts may not seem like a major concern to businesses, especially in the face of turmoil around the world and fears of terrorism at home. The snow is serious business and it will have noticeable effects on the economy.

MacGyver named to Department of Homeland Security?

"We are in a code orange. Homeland Security said ... that everyone should have a roll of duct tape and plastic sheeting to protect your house in event of terrorist attacks. Who came up with this idea? MacGyver?"

—Jay Leno, http://politicalhumor.about.com

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Women snap three-game losing streak

With the win over the Midshipmen, the Bison improve to 10-12 overall and 5-5 in the Patriot League

By Joe Schweitzer
Staff Writer

The Bucknell women's basketball squad used an outstanding team effort to defeat Navy 73-60 on Feb. 16. The 10-12 Bison snapped a three-game losing streak and improved to 5-5 in league play, moving into sole possession of 4th place in the conference.

The Orange and Blue returned to Sojka Pavilion for the first time in two weeks and were greeted by a regional ESPN2 audience, a rowdy home crowd and many members of last year's championship team. The Bison felt the love and responded with one of their best team efforts of the season as they turned back the clocks to their championship play of last season.

"It was great having them [seniors from last year's team] back here," All-Patriot League candidate Desire Almind '04 said. "We really wanted to show them that the tradition was still alive and well this season."

The Lady Bison erased all doubts in the opening minutes by displaying an impressive zone defense that confused and frustrated Navy. Molly Creamer '03 set the tone for the game by using her overlooked playmaking ability. The nation's leading scorer only attempted one shot in the first 10 minutes of play, but dazzled the crowd and Navy defenders with outstanding behind-the-back dribbling and crisp passes that set up her teammates for easy scores. Creamer threw a skip pass to an open Kate Franks '03, who knocked down a three-pointer to ignite a key surge. The Orange and Blue run included a Creamer dish to Lindsey Geosits '06 for an open trey and four points from Almind to send the Bison to a 22-12 lead with under 10 minutes in the half.

Eric Graham—*The Bucknellian*

Molly Creamer '03 gets jostled around in a sea of players during last Sunday's game against Navy, which was televised regionally and nationally on ESPN2. Creamer and the Bison put on an impressive show for the cameras, defeating Patriot League foe Navy 73-60 at Sojka Pavilion.

Almind and Geosits each went to the bench after being whistled for their second personal fouls and Navy took advantage by closing within one, 22-21. Almind returned and impacted the game immediately by snatching her eighth rebound and making a pass to Jennie Ruth '06 for a layup. Creamer then caught fire and scored 5 of her 10 first half points in a one-minute span to give Bucknell a 34-29 halftime edge. The Bison were focused and playing hard with neither trait being a coincidence.

"Molly and Kate had a meeting with the team this week to talk about the need for the squad to raise their level of play," Head Coach Kathy Fedorjaka said. "I had been trying to preach to everyone that we needed to step up, too, but Molly is a quiet kid, so when she talks people take notice and listen."

Navy started the second half trying to slow down the pace of the game as they pounded the ball inside, taking advantage of the youthful Bison interior and pulling within four, 38-34. Creamer again ignited another Bucknell run with her passing, finding Franks, who drained another from downtown. Navy responded by netting two

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Accident injures softball players

By Pat Evans
Sports Editor

Sources reported to *The Bucknellian* that softball players Brandi Porter '03 and Ashley Samecky '06 were rushed to the hospital after the track and field team's 700-pound throwing cage fell on them. They were reportedly attempting to move the cage when it fell on them, breaking Porter's femur and severely injuring her face, and breaking Samecky's lumbar vertebrae.

Director of Athletics and Recreation John Hardt was contacted but was not available for comment.

Head Softball Coach Janelle Breneman said she was instructed by the University administration not to comment.

The Bucknellian will continue to follow this story.

Bison defeat Navy

By Dave Cohen
Senior Writer

The men's basketball team snapped a three-game losing streak with a 59-41 victory over the Naval Academy at Sojka Pavilion on Feb. 14.

Chris Niesz '05 helped the Bison avenge a previous loss to the Midshipmen this year with a career-high of 18 points. He hit 6 out of 11 from beyond the arc, one attempt shy of a school record. Niesz got the Bison on the scoreboard at the start of the

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Lacrosse looks for win at UNC

Bison travel to Chapel Hill to take on 9th ranked North Carolina

By Pat Evans
Sports Editor

The men's lacrosse team's quest to hold the Patriot League crown for a fourth straight year begins this Saturday when the 24th-ranked Bison travel to Chapel Hill where they will take on 9th-ranked North Carolina. The Bison will look to avenge last year's 12-3 loss against the Tar Heels.

This year seems as good as any for the Herd to knock off North Carolina and gain the national respect that they believe they deserve. The Bison return all but one starter this spring and are led by eight seniors who have all had significant experience throughout their careers.

"We're the same team as last year except we've got one more year of experience," co-captain goalie Justin Sussman '03 said. "We've got a fire in our belly and want to start our season off with a bang."

The Bison will be helped by sorely-missed midfielder John Terracciano '03 and attack Wes Fetchet '04, who were both out with knee injuries last season. Terracciano tallied eight goals and eight assists his junior year and Fetchet was the Patriot League's Rookie of the Year his first season.

Also fueling the offense will be Dennis Geraghty '03, co-captain Andrew Sanders '03 and Chris Cara '05, all of whom had outstanding 2002 campaigns. Geraghty's second straight 30-goal season earned him a spot on the Patriot League first team and his second consecutive selection on the preseason All-America team. Sanders tallied 13 goals and 16 assists last year and Cara shattered the University first-year student scoring record while ranking 5th nationally in goals and 6th in assists.

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> *—Justin Sussman '03*

The offense hopes it can do better than last year's somewhat dismal performance and start the season off on a higher note.

"We've got a lot of returning guys," Cara said. "Last year we really didn't play up to our expectations, but this year I really think we've got more experience and we're ready to come out and play."

While the Bison are optimistic about their chances this weekend, the team recognizes that North Carolina isn't going to roll over for anybody on their own field. The Tar Heels have a highly powerful offense that returns its top five scorers, while boasting four preseason All-America selections.

"They're a lot like us in terms of who they've got coming back," Head Coach Sid Jamieson said. "It's great to open up against a team like this; we always want to play against the best guys."

The Bison got some experience playing against competition of national quality this preseason when they faced off against Towson, which is ranked 13th in the country. Although the teams don't keep a running score in the preseason, the Bison feel that they did more than hold their own against the Tigers.

"It was six to six with the starters in," Jamieson said. "We always scrimmage the best teams to prepare for our tough regular season schedule and we were happy with how we performed."

The Herd hopes it can achieve what it did two years ago on North Carolina's

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Bucknell crew medals in every event

Bison rowers compete in 7th annual Erg Armageddon

By Sarah Pettit
Writer

In what varsity openweight Jennifer Prunoske '05 called a "great a team showing," Bucknell crew demonstrated its strength against Susquehanna and Binghamton universities on Feb. 15 in Bucknell's 7th annual Erg Armageddon held in Davis Gym. The Bucknell men's and women's crew teams medaled in every event in which they competed.

Erg Armageddon, a unique event where participants row on computer monitored rowing machines instead of boats, provides a rare opportunity for rowers to compete as individuals rather than in groups of four or eight.

"It is always a good experience knowing that you can go out there and worry only about yourself for 2,000 meters," varsity men's lightweight Aaron Bates '03 said. "Erg Armageddon is the best place for us to get our PRs [personal records] and vie for medals as individuals."

The Bucknell women's varsity openweights Prunoske, Julie Engel '03 and Rebecca Newman '04 displayed the depth of their team by sweeping all three medals in the 2,000 competition with what varsity women's coach Steve Kish said were "individually very good performances." Prunoske not only took the gold in this event, she also finished 1st in the women's varsity 500 dash. While she has only been rowing for two years, Prunoske currently holds two Bucknell records.

The women were not the only Bison to achieve a medal sweep. With times well under 7 minutes, the Bucknell

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Winter wonderland

Six members of the Bucknell men's ski team are competing at the United States Collegiate Ski Association Regional Meet this weekend at Seven Springs Mountain. If the Bison skiers can clinch any of the top four positions they can qualify for the USCSA National Meet at Northstar in Lake Tahoe, Calif.

Sports

Bison track and field cruises into Patriot League Championships

Women look to win second Championship in a row and fifth crown in past six years; men set out to dethrone Army

By Evan Honeyfield
Staff Writer

Bucknell's track and field team saw its last tune-up meet last Saturday at the Bucknell Winter Classic before this weekend's Patriot League Track and Field Indoor Championships at Colgate.

"We went into the meet to answer a few questions regarding the Patriot League lineup and to give some people some experience," Head Coach Kevin Donner said.

The throwers took full advantage by using the meet as a big confidence booster. Liz Pendelton '05 won the weight throw, Laura Schafer '04 took the shot put, Adam Kaufmen '03 won the men's weight throw and Dan Frake '06 won the men's shot with a personal best.

"I am extremely excited to throw at leagues," Frake said after his win. "I want to contribute to our already-strong team. I want to score points, even if it is only one. That is one more point towards a conference championship."

Adam Jacob '03 looks to contribute big after his vault of 15-3 Feb. 14, which qualified him for the IC4A meet. Noel Powell '04 jumped over 24 feet in the long jump for the first time since his NCAA qualifying jump in January. Powell currently stands 16th on the national list, but is hoping to move up the list this weekend.

On the track, the most exciting event of the day was the men's 4x400-meter relay. Bucknell's team of Micah Wright '04, Chris Edwards '04, Eric Furst '03, and Brian Klotz '03 claimed the win. Edwards was tripped, but managed to get back up, keeping the Bison in the race. With the Bison trailing, Klotz stepped it up to anchor the win. The men's team erupted into senior Richard Alexander's rendition of "Who's House? Our House!" and "To Whom are You With? Bucknell!"

For the Lady Bison, the 200 sprinters Charity Brady '03, Tolu Fayanjuola '04, Kiley MacDonald '05, Rehana Lanewala '05 and Edwina Bourn '03 put on a show. Theresa Dennis '03 moved down to the mile and ran a nice race. She came back later to rabbit the 1,000, helping Nicki Piper '03 qualify for ECACs. Dennis is looking to win her first league title in the 5k and then place high in the 3k to help the women defend their title.

"We are so ready for this. We just need to continue doing what we are doing, improving consistently," Dennis said.

Donner realizes the team will face tough competition within the Patriot League.

"Our women are looking to win, with Navy being our biggest obstacle," Donner said. "Army looks good as well. The men look to be a dark horse with Army being the favorite. Lafayette seems to be running great and the American distance runners can do some damage to both Army and us."

Lou Palma '03 said that with a little bit of luck, the team can win.

"If the sprinters throw down on Lafayette and Army, if we can weather the storm that is American and if Army's throwers have a bad day, we could realistically sneak a win in there," Palma said.

Palma has gone so far as to grow a beard not only to impress the alumni with his "throwback style," but more importantly to use it as a rallying point for the team.

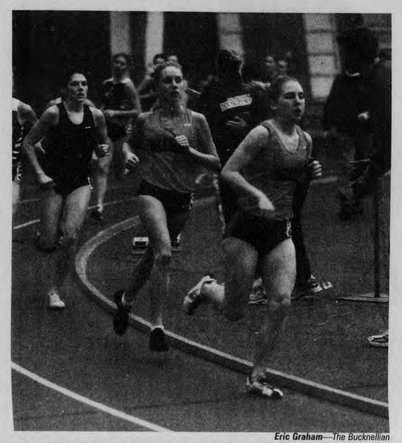
"I like to think of it as a representation of all the hard work the team has been doing since the beginning of Christmas break in preparation for this meet," Palma said. "It's symbolic and I think it means a lot to the guys."

Going into his first league meet, Frake seems ready to rally for a win.

"I like our chances at leagues. Our seniors' leadership, dedication and effort shows me that we can win not as individuals but as a team," Frake said.

Donner is also optimistic about the team's spirit.

"Confidence is huge and our athletes need to believe in themselves," Donner said.



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Jamie Gow '06 and Rachel Tutmaher '06 pace each other during an earlier meet at Gerhard Fieldhouse. The Lady Bison are hoping to win their second consecutive Patriot League Championship this weekend.

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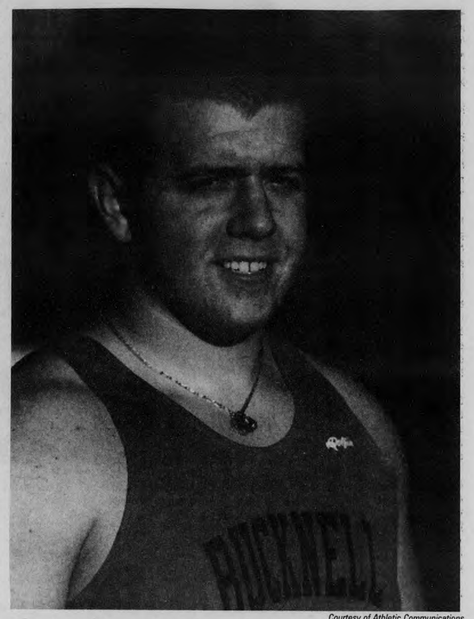

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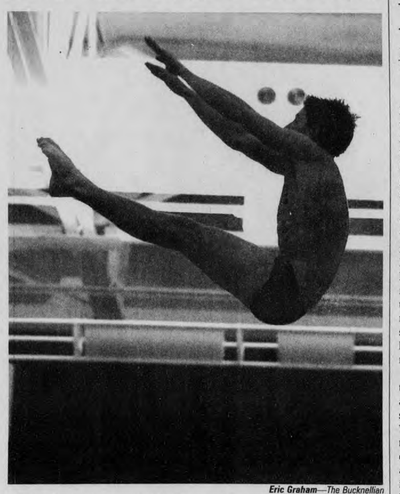
Dan Frake '06 in his team photo. Frake won the men's shot put with a personal best.

Men head into Patriots



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A Bison diver executes a dive during an earlier meet. The men's swimming and diving team will vie for a Patriot League title this weekend.

By Lauren O'connor
Staff Writer

Starting Thursday, February 20th, the men's swimming and diving team will be competing for the Patriot League title at home in the Kinney Natatorium. Other schools vying for the championship include American, Army, Colgate, Holy Cross and Lafayette. Lehigh is the defending champion.

The team hopes to better last years fourth place finish. They can accomplish this goal by utilizing its depth and talent. It also has the advantage of swimming in its new home pool.

The Bison has had the past two weekends off and has been able to focus on the meet in practice. Also, many of the men have shaved their heads.

The trials portion of the meet begins at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. The diving will begin at 12:30 p.m. Finals will begin at 6:00 p.m., with two heats of each event being swum.

The meet will end Saturday, February 22nd. After the completion of finals that night, team, individual and coaches awards will be given out.

Less means more as women prepare for Patriot League Championships

By Stephen Schwanhausser
Staff Writer

In the final week of preparation for the Patriot League Championships, the Bucknell women's swimming and diving team is rebuilding and gaining confidence. The meet started this Thursday and runs through Saturday night. In a trials and finals set up, the top 16 competitors return in the evening after the morning's competition. Points are scored 1st through 16th, with the winner earning 20 and the 16th place contender gaining 1. There are two heats—the consolation final includes swimmers seeded 9th through 16th, and the final heat contains 1st through 8th. Once in these heats, swimmers cannot move up or down, meaning that no matter what, any individual in the final heat can score no lower than 8th, and no one in the consolation can move higher than 9th, regardless of time.

"It is essential to make it back for a night swim to score points. Without a strong morning swim you can't come back at all. It is also really important to make it back into finals," Co-captain Becky Dolan Even '03 said. "If you swim terribly at night if you made it into finals in the morning you will at least get 8th. We are hoping to have everyone make it back this year, and a majority in finals."

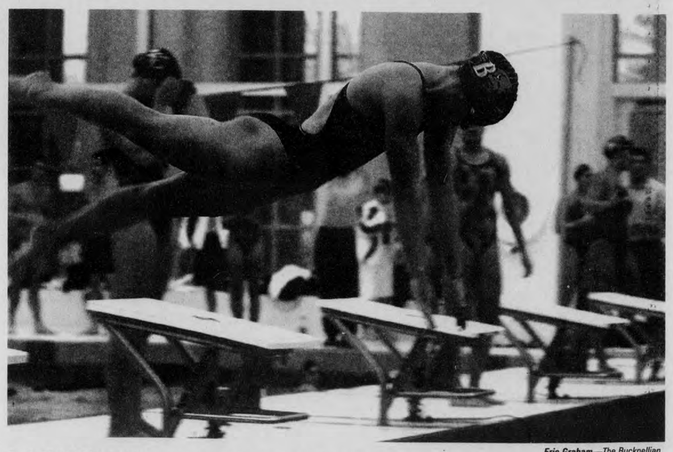
The swim season is long and focused. Every meet and day of training points to one meet a long way down the road, the Patriot League Championships. To advance beyond this meet means making it to a national level meet, a stretch for anyone on the squad. Consequently, this championship likely is the Bison's final meet, the one competition they have prepared for all year. Swimmers will begin taper, a three to five week period of increased rest, before the meet to prepare their bodies for competition. The taper is ended by shaving and putting on "fastskin" suits made of special material to help them finish first. Taper is individualized for each group, stroke and even for each person. This final week of preparation has contained a drastic decrease in training for all athletes.

"This last week we have really dropped off [in training]. As opposed to long two hour practices, we are barely in the water for a full hour and everything is race focused," Jamie Flick '05 said. "I am really starting to feel great in the water, and my confidence benefits as well. I am really excited."

With championships at Bucknell, enthusiasm is at a high. Tickets are being sold in advance due to expected crowds of nearly 1,000 people. With eight teams in competition, the Kinney Natatorium will be filled to capacity with athletes and fans. Especially with this week's weather, it is a huge benefit to the team to stay at home.

"The home pool advantage really gives us an edge. We have first choice of seating and our own locker rooms," Head Coach Jerry Foley said. "The crowd will have a tremendous impact and I think we are really ready. Short and sweet—it's gonna be a Bison weekend."

Fans are encouraged to come out and cheer on the team as it for a Patriot League title.



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Jamie Flick '05 leaps into the pool during an earlier meet at Kinney Natatorium. Flick and the Bison are hoping to cap off their extremely successful campaign with a win in this weekend's Patriot League Championships at Bucknell.

Sports Ops

Cecily Cairns Classic Corner

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Sports Editor

A great ride: Longden had it all

It can be said that all great jockeys must be blessed with good timing, keen judgment and maybe a little luck. Johnny Longden, who passed away on Feb. 14, exactly 96 years to the day he was born, had all of the above. He had a way not only of being in the right place at the right time, but of doing the right thing once he got there.

Longden's good fortune started years before he ever took to the back of a Thoroughbred. In 1912, a 5-year-old Johnny, his three sisters and his mother boarded a train from their home in Wakefield, England to Southampton, where they were to board a ship and embark on a journey to North America, where their father worked in the coalmines.

The train ran late, and the family reached the port only moments before the ship's gangplank was raised. They would have made it on board had little Johnny not momentarily disappeared, scampering off into the crowd. By the time his mother located her AWOL child, their window of opportunity to scramble onto the boat had expired.

Longden couldn't recall what caused him to stall his family's departure, but between that distraction and the tardy train, the course of sports history—horse racing history, specifically—was forever altered.

Of course no one could have known that at the time, as he and his family stood forlornly on the docks of Southampton and watch their vessel—a marvelous and massive product of mankind's genius called "Titanic"—drift away on its maiden voyage, without them.

Longden's brush with fate would end up as one of many anecdotes that can be shared about the Hall of Fame jockey, whose horsemanship skills began on the streets of a small prairie town in Alberta, Canada, where young Johnny learned to race horses "Roman-style"—balancing on the backs of two horses as they galloped side by side.

Longden left the racing world with plenty of memories.

There was the time that Santa Anita racetrack honored Longden's 72nd birthday with a furlong—an eighth of a mile—of lemon cake. The cake, covered with pink icing, stretched halfway down the homestretch, and at the time qualified as the Guinness Book of World Record's longest cake.

There was the time in 1969, when the retired-jockey-turned-trainer watched his trainee, Majestic Prince, storm to a victory in the Kentucky Derby, making Longden the only man in history to ride one Kentucky Derby winner and train another.

There was a day in March of 1966, a few days after the 59-year-old legend had announced that he would retire from riding, when he headed to the post for the last race of his career. His last mount would be a horse named George Royal—a longshot who had only won two of his last 12 races, and true to his odds, was floundering 15 lengths behind the leaders in the middle of the race.

As a crowd of 60,792 racing fans watched in awe, "The Pumper,"—a nickname given to Longden for his ability to coax a horse forward with his hands rather than the whip—rallied George Royal down the straightaway in a hand ride to catch Plaque by a nose at the wire.

It was his 32,413rd ride and his 6,032nd 1st place finish, which stood as a record for career victories until Willie Shoemaker broke it in 1970.

There were plenty of great races on his resume, aboard champions like Busher, T.V. Lark, Swaps, Your Host and Noor.

He once guided Rushaway to a victory in the 1936 Illinois Derby, and piloted the same horse to a win in the Latonia Derby the following day.

But perhaps the single most impactful gesture that Longden made for the sport was a small piece of advice that he offered to an owner named John D. Hertz.

Hertz owned a rambunctious, scrawny colt named Count Fleet, a horse so difficult to handle that Hertz figured it wouldn't be worth it to sacrifice anyone's safety or time and decided to sell the son of Kentucky Derby winner Reigh Count.

Longden, never one to back down from a challenge, discouraged Hertz's sale of Count Fleet, insisting that the colt was abound with talent.

"He doesn't scare me," Longden said. "I'll win lots of races with him."

And that's exactly what Count Fleet and Longden did. They won 10 races in 1942, and then all six of the colt's starts in 1943, a campaign that included victories in the Wood Memorial, Kentucky Derby, Preakness Stakes, Withers Stakes and a devastating, Triple Crown capping, 25-length domination in the Belmont Stakes.

Longden's intuitions saved Hertz from throwing away one of the best horses ever to set foot on a race track, and his polished yet daring skills combined with Count Fleet's tremendous speed and turn of foot to produce an almost undefeatable team.

The jockey loved to reminisce about his Triple Crown winner, whom he never once struck with the whip, reminding anyone willing to listen that no one ever got to see the best of Count Fleet—only Longden knew how good this horse really was.

Count Fleet died in 1973 at the age of 33, which translates to 90-something in horse years, an unusual age for such a hard-charging athlete.

Thirty years later, his partner in crime, the only man who truly knew what the horse was capable of, finally joined him, dying in his sleep at his home in California.

Like his most famous mount, Longden lived to an unusual age for an athlete who had subjected himself to decades of wear and tear. No one will ever know the 4-foot-11-inch hero's secret to longevity, which he had both on the track and in life. It seems he just always made the right choices.

He realized that Count Fleet was a good idea, which is more than can be said for most horsemen involved with the cranky colt. He knew, in 1969, that racing Majestic Prince in the Belmont was a bad idea, even though no one else would listen; the horse lost, was injured and never raced again. He knew how to guide a longshot to victory without even tapping it with the stick—he didn't force horses to win, he made them want to win.

Hell, maybe he even knew, at the age of 5, that a big ship called "Titanic" was a bad idea.

Smart guy. It's no wonder he lived to be 96.

Scott Kloss
Senior Writer

What's your fantasy outlook?

Sunny, with a chance of trophy, thank you! So, select Kobe Bryant or Jason Kidd? Stack my team with running backs early or play it by the book? Assign five points for a hockey goal or three? Show that "twerp" who "talks the talk" but doesn't "walk the walk" just who is the real sports genius? Oh, yes, this is how we live. The Secret Society of Sports Fanatics. "We" go to the brink of stepping between the lines or purchasing a franchise and spending "goooooggles" of money.

It's that time of year again—school snow closings, warm thoughts of spring break plans and fantasy sports in full swing. Each year, around this time, I find myself chuckling like a child on Christmas morning. So many presents to open, so many possibilities ... Hey, that's not my size. Fantasy Sports—a sportsman's dream.

Early on, say 8 years old, kids who inherit a sports desire play to experience the game. Take, for example, basketball: good or bad, the fun of being with and having the opportunity to play regardless of skill level (which at this stage is but a blur) is enough. In our teen years, Jesse, that kid who seems to be wearing high heels to the games, but really is going through a Yao Ming growth spurt, begins to gain all the attention. Sure he is big, but his outside game is phenomena for his age, too. No fair. You begin to ride the bench some and wonder if dreams of the beach house in the Caribbean with beautiful people surrounding you might not come true after all. You see, as we grow older some athletes make it to the top of their profession; yet most don't. And for those that don't, the passion persists to continue to have an effect on the game, a feeling that, yes, I am in the action.

Like a surly white light, fantasy sports were invented and have now matured in the moneymaking, bragging rights, talk of the sports world. With fantasy basketball, hockey, baseball, football, auto racing and golf, there's a sport for everyone to enjoy and participate in. Picture this, you holding your very own draft with all the current players in your particular sport with nine of your hardcore sports friends! Having an online database assign point values correlating to each statistics (i.e. points, assists, rebounds) and calculating standings each and every day. It's like stealing your very own ESPN anchorman and doing a Vulcan mind meld. Major computer scientists to work, designing the virtual playground of today's has beens and never will bes.

Web site engines such as yahoo.com and cnnsi.com are putting their

Personally, I am currently commissioning a Bucknell fantasy hockey league on yahoo.com. It all started a few months back with a couple guys discussing who knew more about hockey. Since we have matured from our Neanderthal ways, we took it to the next level of battlefields—cyber, fantasy style. What we encountered were choices. 1). Head to Head—nightly playing a new team in your league and deciding a winner each day. 2) Rotisserie Style—giving the team that has the most steals 10 points, the second highest steals amount getting nine points and further on down the line. 3) Standard—assigning points for each category and combining them all for a monster total score!

Now being "the Commish" allowed me to select what statistical categories our league would gather and what point values to assign for each statistic. Thank heavens for Professor of Mathematics Michael Frey's statistics for engineers class! Once the dirty work was finished, the next order of business consisted of planning for draft day—the single biggest day of fantasy sports. You can prerank your players and let the computer automate the draft, or you can sweat it out in the trenches and endure a sometimes two-hour long stare-off as you piece together your title team. Once the smoke clears from your "war rooms," it is then time to assess what you have or in some cases overlooked. What to do? Well, being the manager of your very own team, trades and free agent pick-ups are your arsenal of choice. What happens next is surely something even the butler from "Joe Millionaire," wouldn't see coming. Following your team each day or weekly; you either bask in your genius or quickly count down the days until the next major sport arrives.

What amazes me even now is the analysis and coverage fantasy sports are attaining. Years back when I first stumbled upon this portal to sports heaven, no credible sports writer would touch fantasy sports with a 10-foot pole (even with gloves on). But now the likes of prominent writers such as Rick Reilly, Chris Berman, Peter Gammons and more all chime in on a regular basis giving expect opinions on "sleepers" in a draft or who to cut.

What better way for a senior sports writer for *The Bucknellian* to, shall I say "force" himself, to keep tabs on the all happenings than to join a couple of these fantasy leagues! I promise, it won't be The Decker Effect!

Me like sportz

Aaron DeRosa
Senior Editor

Sport, not-a-sport

I think it's about high time I followed the greats and engaged in a little game of "sport, not-a-sport." As you'll notice, I've challenged some heavy hitters here, so sit back, relax and enjoy the dive.

Sport—football

Two 300-pound men run with all the strength and speed they can muster until they collide with each other: It's like playing chicken, except without cars. Afterwards, they pat each other on the asses. Only a sport could bring together homoeroticism into a Neanderthal competition reminiscent of the ancient Greeks.

Not a sport—baseball

Baseball is less about actual athletics or strategy than accounting and business management. I'll trade you two internal auditors and a payroll manager to be named later for $50,000.

Also, I'm tired of players complaining about the Yankees' payroll. I don't see YOU turning down your multimillion dollar contract. If it wasn't for you greedy bastards asking for so much damn money, there wouldn't be a problem in the first place. Until you start putting the players union in check, I don't want to hear you complain about the financial problems inherent in baseball ... leave that to the media, thank you very much.

Sport—basketball

Only a sport could have their playoffs last two months and EXPAND the first round. That takes balls.

Not a sport—high school basketball

Not a sport, merely a free-range farm where LeBron James can roam around without drugs, jerseys and cars. He is hormone-free (a chaste teen-ager), antibiotic free (he is easily susceptible to the common cold) and is treated better than your average, commercially-bred black teen-ager from Akron, Ohio.

Sport—cheerleading

It's entertaining, requires practice, planning, intensity, amazing physical exertion and talent. Don't let the fact that there are no individual cheerleading superstars dupe you into thinking there's no skill involved. Also, I've yet to find a movie about athletics more entertaining than "Bring It On," though a close second is "Eddie," where Whoopie Goldberg becomes the head coach of the New York Knicks and hilarity ensues.

Not a sport—boxing

Boxing is just dancing with fists, and it's not even entertaining like kung fu. And whatever integrity boxing had as a "hobby" was lost when Tonya Harding squared off against Paula Jones in "Celebrity Boxing." As Mike Tyson said so eloquently on ESPN.com, "What a splendid web we spin." What web is that Mike? Abuse? Ignorance? Cowardice? You are the Michael Jackson of the athletic community, just sit back and enjoy the welfare checks, we'll do the rest.

Not a sport—wrestling

Well it used to be ... thank you very much, Bucknell.

Sport—cock fighting

Where else but in a sport could I lose so much money on something other than call girls in as little as five minutes? Insane. Word to the wise, don't pick the one with the fire-red gullet because it may LOOK like he's in heat, but that's just what your bookie wants you to think.

Not a sport—golf

No offense to golfers. They've come a long way, especially under the wing of Tiger Woods, but until they start doing something with the mini carts, I can't respect them. They're sitting on a gold mine. Let them race.

What would be more exciting than seeing Tiger and Phil Mickelson racing down the fairway of the 11th at Augusta, trying to run each other into the dogwoods before Tiger finally goes kamikaze, pulls hard left into Phil's cart, jumps out of the moving vehicle as Phil loses control and crashes into the lake? Tiger gets a stroke deducted for the beauty with which he executed the roll once he evacuated the vehicle, and Phil gets penalized a point for falling in the water trap. It's that simple.

Sport—computer video game athletic simulations (i.e. "Madden," "NBA Live")

Just because you sit on your couch, munching puffed Cheez Doodles, chugging Mountain Dew Code Red at 4 in the morning, neglecting personal hygiene, living creatures and the appalling stench emanating from your unwashed body as something out of an epileptic flashback makes you briefly ponder what you're doing in your parents' living room at 29 just before the live-action cut scene fades into the main menu and your bloodshot, arid eyeballs look to each individual oxygen atom, hoping that just one may possess a loose hydrogen like a molecular oasis, doesn't mean that you're not playing a sport. I forgot what my point was, but it's a sport. Now I have to get back to the 14th year of my franchise. Jordan finally retired, but not until 2011.

February—the month when sports fans get off the couch

By Mark Walker
Staff Writer

February is to the sports fan, what summer is to the college student.

February is the one month of the year where diehard sports fans get up from the groove in the couch that they spent the previous 11 months creating. In February, sports fans actually have time to acknowledge and pay attention to their families. They also break out of their "sports bubble" and realize that there are greater issues going on in the world. February is truly as close as a sports fan can get to an off-season.

Many different factors contribute to making February the dullest month for the sports fan. First and foremost, February is the only month of the year in which neither of America's two biggest sports, baseball and football, are played professionally. The sports fan's off-season begins following the Super Bowl, as fans reluctantly say goodbye to the NFL for the next seven months. After football, most sports fans eagerly anticipate the start of the major-league baseball season and the end of their off-season. Baseball games do not get underway until the very end of March, with spring training games beginning in early March.

In February, sports fans can only get their fix of professional level competition from the NHL and NBA. Both of these leagues are in the greatest lull of their seasons. The original excitement of the start of the NHL and NBA seasons has long since worn off, and the excitement of the playoffs is still two months away. Therefore, February can be a painful month of minimal excitement regular season games, while anticipating the start of postseason play.

Probably the greatest excitement for a sports fan in February comes from basketball at the collegiate level. February hosts many exciting college basketball rivalries, as conference play heats up. For college basketball fans, February still pales in comparison to March, when the excitement of conference tournaments and, of course, March Madness take place. This causes college basketball fans to be eager to end February and to get on to the truly big games.

But wait, how could February be considered the worst sports month of the year when it plays host to the Daytona 500, the start of the Nascar season? I am sure that there is some excitement to Nascar that I do not appreciate, just as some people do not find the excitement in major-league baseball. In my book, Nascar is as much of a sport as is the Westminster Dog Show, another exhilarating "sporting" event in February. I just cannot consider car racing on the same level as baseball, football, hockey and basketball.

I simply do not get excited over watching people drive a car around a big oval track hundreds of times. Even worse, I cannot consider Nascar a sport when, for many people, the most exciting aspect of it is getting to see a spectacular accident, which often results in serious injuries or even fatalities. If you ask me, there is little difference between watching Nascar and setting up a chair alongside Route 15 and watching the traffic speed on by.

Sports fans, you can make it through this month. Pitchers and catchers have just reported, meaning that baseball's opening day is just around the corner. Conference tournaments and March Madness are rapidly approaching, and the NHL and NBA playoffs will soon be upon us!

Try to make the most of this month. Take your significant other to a movie. Visit your parents. Watch the news. And, if you absolutely need your fix of sports, pop in a highlights tape of your favorite team until the calendar turns to March!

Statistics

NAVY vs. BUCKNELL
2/14/03 9:00 p.m. at Lewisburg, Pa. (Sojka Pavilion)
VISITORS: Navy 6-17, 2-8

	TOT-FG	3-PT		REBOUNDS									
## Player Name	FG-FGA	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	OF	DE	TOT	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
23 Ebong, Francis.....f	1-7	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	3	2	0	4	0	3	14
30 Long, Scott.....f	2-4	1-1	1-4	1	3	4	3	6	0	4	0	0	16
54 Moore, Mitch.....c	1-3	0-0	3-4	0	4	4	2	5	1	1	0	1	31
05 Hooper, David.....g	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	16
13 Mathews, Taj.....g	4-7	2-4	0-0	1	4	5	4	10	1	1	0	0	23
03 Fernandez, Jason....	1-1	1-1	0-0	0	1	1	2	3	0	1	0	0	15
10 Otori, Kwame.....	0-1	0-0	1-2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	6
12 Jeanpierre, Jason...	3-8	0-3	0-0	1	2	3	0	6	3	2	1	1	19
22 McCreary, Quintrell.	1-3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	2	0	2	0	1	10
24 Charles, Jeff.....	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	5
32 Fannin, Matt.....	0-1	0-0	2-2	0	2	2	0	2	0	0	1	0	15
33 Cummings, Marcell.	1-2	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	1	6
40 Bania, Paul.....	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	2	2	0	2	1	0	0	1	7
42 Onyekanne, Chika....	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
45 Lane, Adam.....	0-3	0-1	0-0	0	4	4	0	0	0	1	0	1	13
Totals.....	15-42	4-11	7-12	6	23	29	18	41	8	20	1	10	200

TOTAL FG% 1st Half: 9-23 .391 2nd Half: 6-19 .316 Game: .357 DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG% 1st Half: 2-6 .333 2nd Half: 2-5 .400 Game: .364 REBOUNDS
F Throw % 1st Half: 1-4 .250 2nd Half: 6-8 .750 Game: .583 3

BUCKNELL 11-12, 5-5

	TOT-FG	3-PT		REBOUNDS									
## Player Name	FG-FGA	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	OF	DE	TOT	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
04 Lalugba, Boakai.....f	4-9	0-0	5-10	5	7	12	0	13	2	1	2	0	31
31 Niesz, Chris.....f	6-12	6-11	0-0	0	3	3	0	18	0	2	0	0	25
00 Skornik, Davorin.....c	1-2	0-0	1-2	0	3	3	3	3	0	1	1	0	26
05 Blankenship, Dan....g	2-3	1-1	4-8	0	2	2	4	9	4	5	0	1	35
12 Bettencourt, Kevin...g	1-8	0-3	2-3	0	2	2	1	4	4	6	0	1	35
01 Slater, Ben.....	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	2	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	10
10 Webber, Roland.....	0-2	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	1	10
21 Nanvou, Jack.....	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	5
25 Quinn, Matt.....	3-4	2-3	0-0	1	1	2	1	8	1	2	0	0	34
42 Hardenbergh, Jordan..	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
44 Viaer-McClymont, T..	1-2	0-0	0-0	1	1	2	2	2	1	0	1	0	9
Totals.....	19-43	9-19	12-23	9	23	32	14	59	14	16	3	3	200

TOTAL FG% 1st Half: 8-21 .381 2nd Half: 11-22 .500 Game: .442 DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG% 1st Half: 4-10 .400 2nd Half: 5-9 .556 Game: .476 REBOUNDS
F Throw % 1st Half: 4-8 .500 2nd Half: 8-15 .533 Game: .522

NAVY vs. BUCKNELL
2/16/03 2:00 p.m. at Lewisburg, Pa. (Sojka Pavilion)

VISITORS: NAVY 14-9, 4-6

	TOT-FG	3-PT		REBOUNDS									
## Player Name	FG-FGA	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	OF	DE	TOT	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
32 Luchsinger, Alison....f	4-9	3-6	0-0	1	3	4	2	11	3	1	0	0	26
45 Roseti, Adrienne.....f	5-9	0-1	0-3	2	4	6	4	10	0	5	1	3	25
40 Maslowski, Kate.....c	2-3	0-0	1-1	1	1	2	1	5	0	1	2	0	15
11 Shimoda, Maile.....g	3-8	2-4	0-0	0	0	0	3	8	2	1	0	0	20
21 Davidson, Courtney..g	4-15	1-8	4-4	1	1	2	0	13	2	2	0	2	30
12 Skrel, Lauren.....	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
20 Flacke, Juliann.....	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2
23 Steinmetz, Lisa.....	0-3	0-1	2-2	0	2	2	0	2	2	0	0	0	15
24 Hayes, Stephanie....	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
25 Davis, Hannah.....	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
30 Pelzek, Ashley.....	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	3
34 Campbell, Abi.....	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2
41 Curtis, Nikki.....	4-6	0-0	3-4	1	4	5	1	11	0	0	0	0	15
44 Herring, Bryanna....	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	3	3	3	0	1	0	0	1	11
Totals.....	22-56	6-21	10-14	7	20	27	15	60	10	14	2	6	200

TOTAL FG% 1st Half: 10-31 .323 2nd Half: 12-25 .480 Game: .393 DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG% 1st Half: 4-12 .333 2nd Half: 2-9 .222 Game: .286 REBOUNDS
F Throw % 1st Half: 5-8 .625 2nd Half: 5-6 .833 Game: .714 1

BUCKNELL 10-12, 5-5

	TOT-FG	3-PT		REBOUNDS									
## Player Name	FG-FGA	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	OF	DE	TOT	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
13 Almind, Desire.....f	6-10	0-0	4-4	2	13	15	4	16	3	4	0	1	30
20 Smith, Chelsea.....f	0-1	0-0	2-2	0	3	3	1	2	3	0	0	0	22
15 Geonitis, Lindsey....g	2-8	2-4	0-0	0	1	1	1	6	1	4	1	1	34
23 Creamer, Molly.....g	8-19	3-9	5-7	1	6	7	2	24	7	6	0	2	40
32 Franks, Kate.....g	5-5	4-4	3-3	0	1	1	1	17	2	3	0	0	32
21 Hertler, Katie.....	1-5	0-1	1-2	2	0	2	0	3	0	0	0	2	10
31 Ketcham, Amy.....	0-0	0-0	1-2	1	5	6	1	1	0	2	0	0	18
33 Ruth, Jennie.....	1-3	0-0	2-2	2	1	3	3	4	0	0	0	0	14
Totals.....	23-51	9-18	18-22	10	30	40	16	73	16	19	1	6	200

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Men's Varsity Openweight	School	2,000-Meter
1. Chris Meharg	Susquehanna	6:11.4
2. Jeff Dasch	Bucknell	6:25.5
3. Aaron Casagrande	Bucknell	6:51.0
Women's Varsity Openweight		**2,000-Meter**
1. Jennifer Prunoske	Bucknell	7:11.7
2. Julie Engel	Bucknell	7:25.6
3. Rebecca Newman	Bucknell	7.26.3
Men's Varsity Lightweight		**2,000-Meter**
1. Aaron Bates	Bucknell	6:36.9
2. Brian Albert	Bucknell	6:49.6
3. Dave Farkas	SUNY Binghamton	6:51.0
Women's Varsity Lightweight		**2,000-Meter**
1. Lauren Ewald	Bucknell	7:39.6
2. Joan Wendler	Bucknell	7:51.5
3. Anna Dmitriez	SUNY Binghamton	7:55.8
Men's Novice Heavyweight		**2,000-Meter**
1. Andy DeBrunner	Susquehanna	6:36.0
2. Garrett Samuels	Bucknell	6:42.0
3. Kevin Powers	Bucknell	6:42.7
Women's Novice Openweight		**2,000-Meter**
1. Ashley White	Bucknell	7:42.2
2. Laura Jagielski	Susquehanna	7:44.2
3. Jasmine Wright	Susquehanna	7.50.8
Varsity Mixed Doubles		**1,000-Meter**
1. Susquehanna		3:18.1
Jen Brunnet	1:48.7	
Chris Meharg	1:30.9	
2. Bucknell		3:18.5
Julie Engel	1:45.8	
Jeff Dasch	1:33.5	
3. Bucknell		3:23.7
Candice Olszewski	1:47.0	
Aaron Casagranda	1:37.2	
Novice Mixed Doubles		**1,000-Meter**
1. Bucknell		3:26.8
Ashley White	1:50.5	
Garrett Samuels	1:37.2	
2. Susquehanna		3:28.9
Laura Jagielski	1:52.4	
Andy DeBrunner	1:37.4	
3. Bucknell		3:29.8
Lisa Kim	1:55.4	
Brent Butler	1:36.1	

Women's Novice Dash		500-Meter
1. Jasmine Wright	Susquehanna	1:41.9
2. Laura Jagielski	Susquehanna	1:46.2
3. Natalie Wiest	Bucknell	1:47.4
Men's Novice Dash		**500-Meter**
1. Andy Debrunner	Susquehanna	1:26.3
2. Steve Ignatosky	Bucknell	1:27.3
3. Mike Orta	Bucknell	1:28.0
Women's Varsity Dash		**500-Meter**
1. Jennifer Prunoske	Bucknell	1:37.5
2. Rebecca Newman	Bucknell	1:41.5
3. Jen Brunnet	Susquehanna	1:42.6

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Men's and Women's Swimming Patriot League Championships
Friday, Feb. 21
All Day

Men's Basketball at Lafayette
Friday, Feb. 21
7:30 p.m.

Women's Waterpolo vs. Harvard Brown Invitational
Saturday, Feb. 22
10:30 a.m.

Men's Baseball at VA Commonwealth
Friday, Feb. 21
7 p.m.

Men's Baseball at VA Commonwealth
Saturday, Feb. 22
1 p.m.

Patriot League Championship Track Meet at Colgate University
Saturday, Feb. 22
All Day

Men's Basketball at Army
Sunday, Feb. 23
3:15 p.m.

Women's Waterpolo vs. Brown Brown Invitational
Sunday, Feb. 23
10:30 a.m.

Women's Basketball at Army
Sunday Feb. 23
1 p.m.

BUCKNELL

Men's and Women's Swimming Patriot League Championships
Saturday, Feb. 22
All Day

Men's Lacrosse at North Carolina Chapel Hill
Saturday, Feb. 22
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Patriot League Championship Track Meet at Colgate University
Sunday, Feb. 23
All Day

Men's Baseball at VA Commonwealth
Sunday, Feb. 23
1 p.m.

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Jungle Book 2 (G) 12, 2, 4, 6:10 & 8:15	**DareDevil (PG-13)** 12:30, 2:45, 5, 7:45 & 10
The Recruit (PG-13) 1, 3:45, 6:45 & 9:20	**Life of David Gayle (R)** 12:45, 4, 7:15 & 10
Kangaroo Jack (PG) 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 6:50 & 9:10	**How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days (PG-13)** 11:30, 2:10, 4:45, 7:30 & 10
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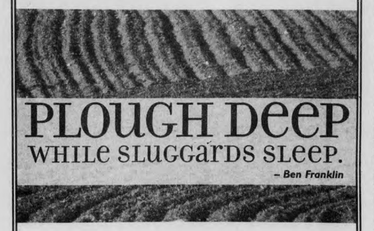

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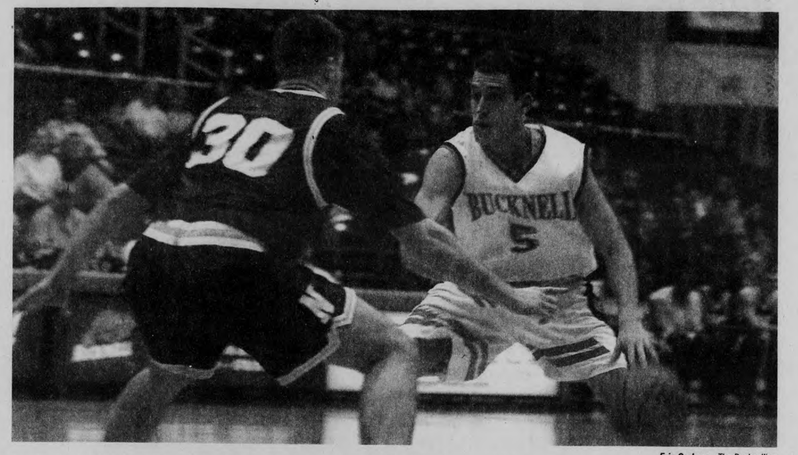
Bison snap three-game losing steak with win over Navy



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Dan Blankenship '03 faces off against a Navy player last Friday. The Bison snapped a three-game losing streak with a 59-41 win over the Midshipmen.

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Head Coach Pat Flannery and several members of the Bison squad look out at the court during last Friday's game. The team will try to turn its victory over Navy into a winning streak this weekend.

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game with a three-pointer.

"I felt good about getting the team on the scoreboard, considering we've been having some trouble this year putting up points," Niesz said. "I was happy about putting up some points for the team and contributing any way I can."

Head Coach Pat Flannery said Niesz has been playing well this season.

"He is a guy that has been in the mix all year for us," Flannery said. "He hasn't always matched up defensively with people, but he is confident and needs to keep shooting the basketball. He has stepped up and played well in a lot of spots."

Boakai Lalugba '03 recorded his 13th double-double of the season with 13 points and 12 rebounds after a six-point and five-rebound output on Feb. 11 at Lehigh. Flannery reflected on Lalugba's play and how imperative it is that the rest of the team perform well in order to open things up for Lalugba inside.

"I think that Boakai has been consistent throughout the year," Flannery said. "There are times when they [opposing teams] take things away from him. That is when we have to make shots. There are times where he can carry us if he is under control and there are times when the team has to step it up."

Lalugba also led an overall formidable team defensive effort with four steals and two blocks. He held Navy's best inside player, Francis Ebong, to 2 points and one rebound. The Orange and Blue held Navy scoreless into the eighth minute of the first half and led 11-0 before the Midshipmen ended the drought.

"We're ranked 3rd in the nation in defense. It was of no surprise to me. We take pride in our defense and in the fact that we can shut teams down like that. We do not accept anything less," Roland Webber '04 said. "It definitely helped our offense, too, because we always feed off of our defensive energy. We knew we had to set the tone early, especially after the way Navy embarrassed us down there in [Annapolis]."

Despite the fact that Bucknell led by as many as 12 points in the first half, the Midshipmen ended the frame on a 13-1 run, which pulled them to 24-21 at the half. The Bison went the final nine minutes of the half without scoring a field goal. Dominating the second half, the Bison scored the first 16 points. The Bison led by as many as 19 points twice in the second half.

Navy fell to 6-17 overall, and 2-8 in the league, and had its lowest scoring output against Bucknell since 1947. The Midshipmen shot 36 percent from the floor, while Bucknell, improving to 11-12 overall and 5-5 in the league, shot 44 percent. The Orange and Blue return to action tonight at Lafayette at 7:30 and Sunday at Army.

Niesz is optimistic about the prospect of a couple victories this weekend.

"We're going into next weekend knowing it's essential to win both games, get ourselves back on track, and put ourselves in a better position for lower seed for the [Patriot League] tourney," Niesz said.

Flannery believes that the mind-set the team has approaching the weekend is similar to the way in which it has been all season long.

"The attitude has been great all year," Flannery said. "We have been very resilient and we are looking forward to this weekend."

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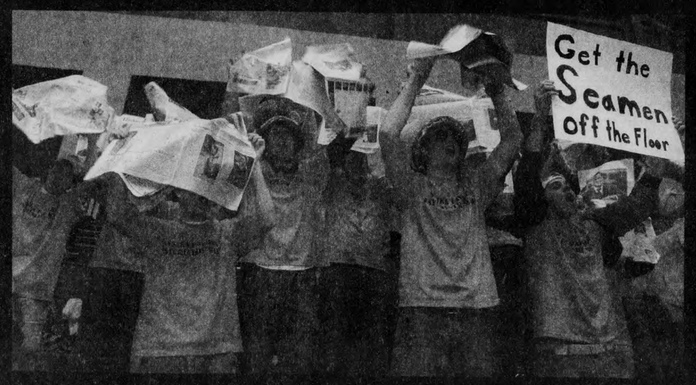

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Sports

Bison rowers set personal records

Adam Wilcox—The Bucknellian

Novice rowers Priscilla Olle '06 (left), Lisa Kim '06 (center) and Courtney Luzzi '06 (right) all competed in the 2,000-meter novice openweight event. Kim took 4th with a time of 8:05.6.

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men's novice lightweights Bill Bacheler '06, Eric Augustyn '06 and Dustin Friedland '06 put the competitors away by claiming title to the gold, silver and bronze in the 2,000K race.

"I went in hoping to get a personal record for the 2K and was able to do so with the help of cheering teammates and as a result of the hard work our team puts in on the ergs," Bacheler said. "In fact, almost every member of the novice squad scored personal bests on the rowing machines, a great accomplishment for us as a team."

The varsity men's lightweights experienced almost as much success as the novice by placing 1st and 2nd in the 2,000. Bates, finishing the 2,000 in 6 minutes, 26.9 seconds, and Brain Albert, with a time of 6:49.6, will set the pace for the varsity lightweight boat come springtime.

Men's Varsity Lightweight	School	2,000-meters
1. Aaron Bates	Bucknell	6:36.9
2. Brian Albert	Bucknell	6:49.6
3. Dave Farkas	SUNY Binghamton	6:51.0
Women's Varsity Lightweight		**2,000-meters**
1. Lauren Ewald	Bucknell	7:39.6
2. Joan Wendler	Bucknell	7:51.5
3. Anna Dmitriez	SUNY Binghamton	7:55.8

The men's and women's teams combined forces in the 1,000 mixed doubles event. Novice pair Ashley White '06 and Garrett Samuels '06 finished 1st in the novice competition, while Engel and Jeff Dasch '03 claimed the silver in the varsity event. Dasch also placed 2nd in the men's varsity openwieght 2,000 event with an impressive time of 6:25.5.

Erg Armageddon provided many rowers their first chance to show their teammates and competitors their strength on the erg. Surprisingly, the newest additions to both the men's and women's teams showcased their ability by medaling in the 2,000 and 500 events. Alexis Will '06, brand new to the team, surprised her teammates and coaches when she tied teammate Amanda Roof '06 for the gold in the women's novice lightweight 2,000k event.

"She's awesome!" Kish said.

Steve Ignatosky '06, in his debut competition, showed his strength and potential by taking 2nd in the men's 500 novice dash with a time of 1:27.3, just one second behind the 1st place finisher.

As coordinator of the event, Kish is already thinking about next year's annual indoor regatta, where he hopes to see a higher level of competition from a more diverse group of participating schools.

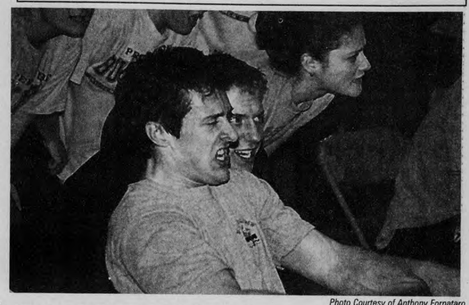
Matt Fornataro '05, president of the men's crew team, is confident about the upcoming spring season after witnessing the team's strength at the Erg Armageddon.

"With many of the novice already pulling under 7 minutes for the 2k, we should be looking forward to a great season this spring," Fornataro said.

Kish is less confident that fast erg times necessarily equate to winning races on the water, for rowing on the water as a team requires many different skills.

"While it is always nice to compete and do well, erg scores don't mean anything when it comes to the spring season," Kish said.

Women's Varsity Openweight	School	2,000-Meters
1. Jennifer Prunoske	Bucknell	7:11.7
2. Julie Engel	Bucknell	7:25.6
3. Rebecca Newman	Bucknell	7.26.3
Men's Varsity Openweight		**2,000-Meters**
1. Chris Meharg	Susquehanna	6:11.4
2. Jeff Dasch	Bucknell	6:25.5
3. Aaron Casagrande	Bucknell	6:51.0



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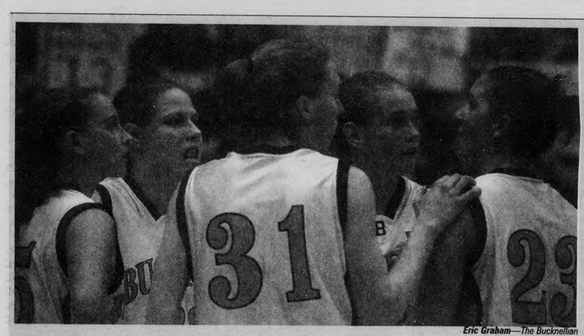
Novice rower Eric Augustyn '06 is cheered on by teammate Steve Ignatosky '06 last Saturday. Ignatosky came in second in the 500 meter dash with a time of 1:27.3.



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Amy Ketchem '05, left, and Molly Creamer '03, right, in a Bison huddle. The Bison's next game is at Lafayette.

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three-pointers in a row en route to an 8-2 run that shrank their deficit to 43-42 with 11 minutes remaining.

Almind intercepted a lazy Navy pass on the next possession and Franks dropped her third long ball of the game followed by a triple by Geosits on the next trip down the floor. Creamer reeled off six points of her own to open up a commanding 13-point advantage, 55-42. Geosits caused consecutive Navy turnovers to lead a stingy Orange and Blue defense. Almind continued to dominate the paint grabbing any rebound in sight to help the Bison rout Navy 73-60.

"I really thought we had a great team victory today," Fedorjaka said. "As I look through the stats, it's good to see some of the younger players adding a couple points or rebounds here and there to take the pressure off the big three [Creamer, Franks, Almind]. This game really reminded me of the team style of basketball we played last year in the championship game."

Co-captain Franks seemed to hobble due to a sore hip, but her shooting showed no ill effects as she shot a perfect 5-5 from the floor, including a 4-4 performance from downtown, to tally 17 points. Creamer continued her strong play and displayed her versatility by adding seven rebounds and seven assists to her 24 points. Once again, Creamer attacked the record books by breaking the school record for field goals attempted in a career. Almind does not even practice anymore and has tape covering her hurting shins, but still battled her way to 16 points and a career-high 15 rebounds.

"It was pretty good, but I missed 10 other box outs," Almind said about her rebounding performance.

The Orange and Blue are back on the road this weekend for their last road trip of the regular season. They will face Lafayette today at 5:30 p.m. and travel to Army for a 1 p.m. tipoff Feb. 23.

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home field by upsetting the Tar Heels. After the win in 2001, the Bison went on to dominate the Patriot League and earn a berth into the NCAA tournament.

"That was a huge win two years ago," Sussman said. "It really helped us out with our mindset the rest of the season in that we believed we were for real."

Courtesy of Athletic Communications

The key to Bucknell's defense is goalie Justin Sussman '03 (above), the 2002 Patriot League Defensive Player of the Year and an honorable mention preseason All-America selection

While this is not a league game, which might normally be more important because the championship is concerned primarily with the teams' records within the League, the Bison still see the importance of a game against a team like North Carolina.

"It would be a real confidence booster and a great way to open up if we could take this one," Cara said. "It's a really big game; I think we'll have a much better season if we can win this opener."

One advantage the Bison do not have this season is that they will be unable to scout the Tar Heels before the game. The past two years the Bison have benefited from being able to see North Carolina play its first game against another opponent before squaring off. The NCAA restricts any scouting of teams during the preseason and since this will be North Carolina's first game of the season, the Bison will have to wait until the game starts to get a feel for what they're up against.

"We have a good idea of what's coming at us," Sussman said. "Personally I know I have to be ready for the best shooters in the country who can shoot 90 mph on the run. I think we'll be prepared for whatever we see."

If the Bison are to succeed this season, they'll certainly have their hands full. The schedule doesn't get much easier after North Carolina, with 5th-ranked Maryland and 16th-ranked Penn State coming soon after, along with league foes 20th-ranked Army and 25th-ranked Hobart.

"It starts here," Sussman said. "We want to show the country, the school and everyone that we're for real and a win over North Carolina would start to do that."

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Working on the campaign trail: Kansas

By Peter Hackeman
Opinions Editor

After Wheeling, W.Va., it all looks the same through Ohio, Indiana and Illinois until Interstate 80 rolls around St. Louis; then it leads into the part of Missouri that looks suspiciously like the first three states, past Kansas City and south into the unmistakable flat, open fields of central Kansas. It took me 22 hours of driving to leave the battlefields of Bull Run and Manassas, Va., for the land of the Lecompton Constitution and bloody Kansas, and I couldn't have felt farther away.

I made my way into downtown Wichita, headed for the campaign headquarters and noticed how slow and empty the streets were, in the largest city in Kansas, at 4 p.m. on a Tuesday afternoon. With the exception of a few trees here and there and the absence of a pigtailed girl in ruby slippers welcoming me, it was pretty much what I expected. Looking back, that was the last time my expectations were anywhere near accurate.

I arrived in Wichita at the end of July to serve as the assistant press secretary for Carlos Nolla's campaign for the U.S. House of Representatives seat of the fourth district in Kansas. Carlos ran for this seat two years earlier in 2000, capturing 40 percent of the vote while having a paid staff of only one person and being outspent by his opponent by almost three to one. This impressive showing was made more so by the fact that Carlos was a Democrat running where there were almost twice as many Republicans as Democrats. In addition, the Republicans outnumbered the Democrats and Independents combined in our district. I was now the eighth staff member to come aboard, we were raising about as much money as our opponent and less than a majority of the district wanted to see the incumbent, our opponent, re-elected. Even though it was over three months from the election, we knew we had a good opportunity to win this race.

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Deputy Campaign Manager Manny McCown (foreground) leads the paraders in a campaign chant. Every weekend until the middle of October, the campaign staff fanned out to at least one parade in the district to meet voters, hand out literature and gain support for candidate Carlos Nolla.

Courtesy of Peter Hackeman

Silson (center) poses with two bikers before a Saturday morning parade. The many voters Hackeman met each day were very diverse, including these motorcyclists who help raise money for children by riding in parades.

That night I moved my belongings from my car into the basement of a townhouse where three of my co-workers were living. The entirety of the room contained a waterbed, heated no less, a treadmill and a Stairmaster—no closet or dresser for my clothes, no mirror or bathroom, and a small one-foot -by-two-feet window. It was more than I expected when I told Sean Rankin, our general consultant, in mid-July that I would live in the basement on someone's couch if I had to, should he hire me. At that point in July, I was barely 20 years old, a rising junior in college who was trying to get hired in a world where everyone else has a college degree and most have experience from previous campaigns. It must have been my zeal and persistence that convinced him to hire me because as luck would have it, I knew much less about winning a campaign than I had thought.

My first day, Campaign Manager Stephanie Mueller, Press Secretary Catherine Couch and I went with Carlos to an editorial board meeting in Arkansas City (pronounced ar-Kansas instead of Ar-kan-saw). The next night, after another editorial board meeting in El Dorado, I went to Sedgwick County Democrat's monthly meeting. Expecting to simply be introduced as a representative of the Nolla campaign, I was instead introduced and asked to make some comments about the campaign. Not yet knowing what Carlos's positions were on some of the issues or even what issues mattered most in this district, I ad-libbed something about this being a great year for Democrats, how we had a great staff and how the people were ready to elect a representative who would look out for them and not the special interests. I thought it was nervous and stale; the audience loved it.

A week later, on Aug. 5, I helped Delia Garcia, the field director, finalize the get-out-the-vote plan for the primary the next day. We easily won the primary and began gearing up for the general election campaign. Days later, though, Delia's mother became seriously ill on vacation and I became the acting field director while Delia went home to take care of her mother and her family's restaurant, Connie's. When it became clear that she wouldn't be able to return full time, I was thrust into the position on a permanent basis. With extensive guidance and help from Stephanie, Sean and our field consultants, we got our program quickly on track.

In our campaign, like most others in the country, there were three main sections—fundraising, communications and field. The field group is responsible for recruiting volunteers, preparing for events like parades, distributing yard signs and bumper stickers and reaching out to constituency groups and voters on a one-on-one basis. One of my housemates, Nat, was already working with the organized labor federations in our area and would soon expand his scope to reach out to all the constituency groups in our district.

The next two months were filled with 14-, 16-, sometimes 18-hour days, which flew by at alarming speed. The mornings were devoted to calling precinct committeepeople, party county chairs, state house candidates and other key contacts in our district to coordinate and communicate as much as possible. The afternoons were spent calling potential volunteers to encourage them to help out and to schedule them to come in. The evenings were spent recruiting more volunteers and managing today's volunteers who were usually on the phones calling voters to answer questions and identify which voters were still undecided about whom they would support. After a few minutes at the local YMCA, I would head back to work to prepare for the next day's activities.

Before we knew it, October began. We had 12 staff members, with Delia back leading our Hispanic voter outreach effort, but we weren't the only ones adding more staff. The Kansas Democratic Coordinated Campaign, a combination organization funded by our campaign, the Sebelius for Governor campaign and the Kansas Democratic House caucus brought in a new district director named Tess. Tess was from Minnesota and had more campaign experience than most anyone else involved in the area. She was originally from Kansas and had a daughter in college at Kansas University. For a woman of her experience, she had as much if not more energy and enthusiasm than the college students working for her. She is an exceptional person who taught me more than I could have imagined about field organizing, politics in general and most of all people.

The campaign kicked into high gear with only a few weeks left. All the yard signs had been given out to supporters and we had so many volunteers in the evenings that we were able to expand the times for calling and install new phone lines. One Saturday, over 100 volunteers gave up the whole day to walk around specific neighborhoods knocking on doors to pass out campaign literature and answer any questions the voters might have. We had volunteers who came in three or four days a week and made phone call after phone call for two or three hours a night.

Unfortunately, our opponent, Rep. Todd Tiahrt, also sensed the building support for Carlos. Tiahrt began raising obscene amounts of money, flying in Republican leaders from the U.S. House and putting the squeeze on his out of state contributors. He spent over $1 million, fully half of it coming from political action committees. We actually raised more money from individual contributors than our opponent did, but it wasn't enough to stem the tide of outside money.

For the last two weeks, Tiahrt seemed to have a commercial on during every half an hour on the network channels in Wichita. But it wasn't just the quantity of commercial time that hurt us; it was the message that Tiahrt was employing. He claimed that Carlos was against extending unemployment benefits; Carlos supported extending the benefits further than Tiahrt did. Tiahrt claimed that Carlos wanted to raise taxes on the middle class; Carlos had for weeks been talking about a middle-class tax cut larger than the one that Tiahrt supported. Unfortunately, in modern politics, when we were only able to afford one commercial explaining Carlos's ideas for every three or four Tiahrt commercials distorting our positions, voters believed our opponent's lies.

Come Election Day, we still thought we could win the race. I arrived home at 4:45 a.m. that morning, showered and was back at work by 5:15 a.m. with more energy than I think I've ever had. We had over 400 volunteers and over 100 paid workers in the district that day, accounting for over 1,500 hours of volunteer time and almost 1,000 hours of paid time. I was responsible for managing the 20 volunteer phone lines in our building and the 12 additional lines elsewhere in Wichita. With help from the members of the Coordinated Campaign, we were constantly preparing new lists of supporters to call and remind to vote, crossing off those who had already voted every three hours.

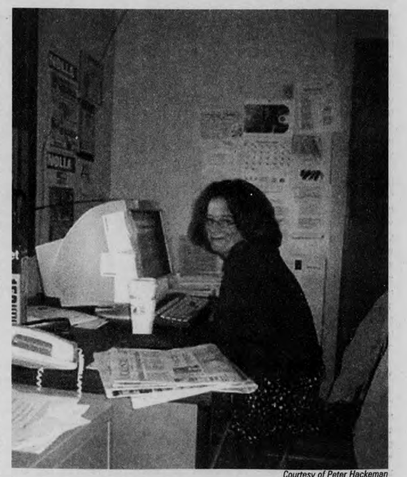
Every two hours the senior staff had a strategy meeting to review the tide of voters in each precinct so that we could refocus our efforts in the streets and on the phones to the areas most in need. One of our college interns kept a 7-foot-by-7-foot board on the wall to track which of our over 40 precincts were currently being targeted and which volunteers were calling where. During the course of Election Day, we made 9,500 calls to potential voters reminding them to make it to the polls.

Five minutes before the polls closed at 7 p.m., we stopped making get-out-the-vote calls. For the first time in four months, there was nothing more we could do to influence the outcome of the election. I walked around thanking the volunteers, many of whom I had worked with for months and would never see again. We made a few final arraignments; I printed off the vote expectations by county, gathered the turnout numbers from the last poll check and drove to the townhouse to shower.

On our way to the election night party, John Silson and I reflected on what a crazy ride the campaign had been. Over the radio, we heard the first couple precinct returns come in, which had Carlos leading. Maybe, we thought, despite of our financial disadvantages in a tough Republican district, we might have pulled off the biggest upset in House races this year.

Unfortunately, as the rest of the results came in, it soon became apparent we would not be so lucky. In the end, Carlos received only 37 percent of the vote and Tiahrt was re-elected to serve a fifth term in Congress. Once results were confirmed, Stephanie took Carlos aside to tell him the news. He went upstairs to his suite, told his family the results, thanked them for all they had gone through during the campaign and then made his way back downstairs to give his concession speech. He entered the ballroom to rousing applause and walked over to the podium. Instead of giving the prepared speech, Carlos spoke to the crowd from his heart. At a point where his dreams of serving the people had been dashed, where his supporters should have been consoling him, Carlos lifted the spirits of all of us in the room that night. By the end, all of the staff had tears in our eyes. We weren't tearing just because we lost that night, or even because a good man, a real family man, had lost, but because we had the opportunity to work for such a good person, one who lived his life by the same priorities on which he ran his campaign.

That same night the race for attorney general of Kansas was won by a reactionary whose only experience as a prosecutor had been as an intern and a triple-amputee, Vietnam veteran from Georgia lost his re-election to the Senate because he was labeled as unpatriotic. Had it not been for Carlos' speech, I know I couldn't have kept the same belief in our political system.



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Press Secretary Catherine Couch composes a press release in her campaign office. Prior to the joining the campaign, Couch worked in television news.

FEATURES

The World Social Forum: Brazil

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Courtesy of Magdalena Nadar

Protesters carry a sign asking for another world that is possible—one without hunger, as a part of the World Social Forum. Junior Magdalena Nadar's visit to Brazil allowed her to see the contradictions between two different worlds, one filled with luxury and another filled with poverty and disease.

By Magdalena Nadar
Contributing Writer

I almost forgot that I was in Porto Alegre, Brazil, after having listened to countless presentations in Spanish, Arabic, Italian, German, French, Hebrew and English at the World Social Forum (WSF) held from Jan. 23-28. The WSF was created three years ago in response to the annual World Economic Forum and has the motto "Another world is possible."

More than 100,000 participants, including delegates of both nonprofit and corporate organizations, observers, professionals and activists, joined together to launch proposals challenging current globalization efforts dominated by neo-liberal and capitalist ideology.

The overwhelming diversity of delegates, representing 156 countries, required the assistance of translators who helped break down the language barriers that might have prevented effective communication.

Fortunately, along with the translation of words emerged the memories, frustrations, revelations and hopes of thousands of faithful individuals across the globe. Conferences, panel discussions, workshops and testimonies created an effective outlet of expression. The event was surprisingly well-organized and equipped with free Internet access, as well as heaps of literature supporting the various causes of international and national social organizations.

But when did words alone do any justice? Words have undoubtedly served as a convenient medium to communicate with one another through e-mails, newsletters, speeches, pamphlets, books, etc., but the forum sought an even more basic form of expression. The WSF urged its participants to search for a stronger communication that would surpass even the elements of language; it emphasized the power of humanity.

We are all too aware of the impoverished, of the malnourished, of the overworked and underpaid, of the persecuted, of the abused, of the diseased, of the starving, and of the dying. We can no longer play the ignorance card. In their speech entitled "How to Stand Up to the Empire," Arundathi Roy, accompanied by Noam Chomsky, said "Secrets are history and history is known…." There are hundreds of independent media Web sites and free alternative publications. There are also thousands of declassified documents and documentaries that inform us of the CIA's accountability for the bloody overthrows of left-wing governments. But you might not be able to recognize these terms as written because they are usually referred to as "fighting for justice," "fighting for freedom" and, of course, "fighting for democracy." Still, we continue our daily lives in denial, a choice we collectively and consciously make as a society.

I have been recently battling with the fact that so many injustices occur every single day that we do not see. How is it that with the existence of so much information technology we can still be left in the dark? I realized that the answer is rooted in the power of choice. We've successfully made the choice to distract ourselves with mindless paperwork, with the melodramatics of fictional characters and fanaticism for sports teams so as to claim "ignorance" when we don't see all that is in front of us, waiting to be discovered. I think the title of director John Smihulah's film more concisely expresses what I am struggling to say; the flourishing hypocrisies of our social, economic and political policies are "Hidden in Plain Sight."

Our government and its corporate interests assure our "protection" from the harsh realities so that we can continue functioning as content and productive consumers. I'm not trying to blame us; we choose to engage in the activities we do because they are familiar to us and because they are what we know and understand.

I propose that we put this comfort aside so that we can explore our own vulnerability on both a national and individual level. As a traveler, I've only recently begun to discover the beauty of finding myself outside of the element that I've been used to for so long.

During my incredible seven months in South America, I've encountered two types of travelers. There are those who have been wandering for months dining on gourmet steaks and making sure not to miss happy hour at the trendy pubs "gringos" frequent. They can't stop referring to how incredibly cheap everything is. One of my hostel mates said to me, "Shopping? How can you resist? Everything is dirt-cheap." According to them, South American energy is always happy, well-lit and carefree, just another way to romanticize the reality of poverty.

Then there are those who have also been traveling for several months, but with a uniquely different perspective of the very same place. Most likely they are financially on the same level as the former group, but what distinguishes them is how they choose to experience South America. They eat at the ambience-void joints and converse with the locals instead of the American clique they met back at the hostel. They accept the often unsettling questions and criticisms posed by the curious South Americans who are trying to comprehend the political beliefs of their neighbors to the north.

My point is, we can travel thousands of miles away from home without ever having really left. I learned that as we live amid two types of travelers, we also live amid two different worlds.

Our world offers the luxuries of drinkable water, healthy meals and warm clothing. No matter what country we choose to visit, our world gives us the privilege of unlimited access.

Then there is a world much darker than ours. I was moved to a great extent having listened to presentations on the lack of potable water the communities of Bolivia face as a result of water privatization companies. I was unsettled to learn of the brutal treatment of Mexican workers as a result of multinational corporation expansionism. I was appalled to learn of the thousands of South Koreans who are discovering health complications due to the chemical leakage of former Cold War U.S. military tanks. I was enraged to learn of the torture tactics taught to Latin soldiers by the School of the America's in Fort Benning, Ga.

There honestly isn't one other element that links these two worlds together better than the power of humanity. I'm referring to the responsibility we have as human beings to act now and acknowledge social inequities. We've always known that the world's filthy rich constitute a substantially smaller percentage than the world's impoverished population. Every day, the world's truths are unraveled before our very eyes.

While we can't feel guilty for our privileges, we can feel doubtful, insecure and even vulnerable. We can question our own actions and allow others to question our perspectives.

We can abandon our comfort zone just for a second, if it means helping us shed light on the terrifying truths that plague our own race. In the end, those who allow themselves to be vulnerable are in fact the stronger ones.

Since I have been in South America, I've been enlightened by the idea of simplicity. Underneath diversions that complicate our lives, it is crystal clear that there is one thing we truly value—the lives of other human beings with whom we have a greater bond than anything else we have, or will soon discover.

If the WSF is too ambitious to believe that we can create another world, then perhaps we ought to just focus on creating one.

Courtesy of Magdalena Nadar

"Speak no evil," "see no evil," "hear no evil" puppets at the World Social Forum (WSF) in Brazil. The WSF's motto is "Another world is possible."

Courtesy of Magdalena Nadar

Nadar (right) and a friend at the opening of the World Social Forum in Brazil. More then 100,000 people from 156 countries attended the event.

One in Four discusses sexual assault

By Alyson Walker
Features Editor

Rape only happens with strangers and to women—and those women ask for it because of the way they dress. These are just a few of the misconceptions about rape that the One in Four program is trying to eliminate from the University community.

One in Four evolved from "Men Talking to Men," a program that shows the story of a police officer who was raped by two men. Mary Snyder, interim director of the Women's Resource Center, and Don Wirick, the sensitive crimes officer for Public Safety, changed the program's focus after receiving interest from many women who wanted to join the men's discussion group. The program shifted to gain interaction from all students.

Jennifer Parker '04 said that the video changed her ideas about the stereotypes of sexual assault.

"I thought the presentation was effective in that it made me think of sexual assault from a different perspective," Parker said. "I think that hearing a man's story of being raped gave myself and the audience an opportunity to really think about sexual assault—how the survivor felt and realize that this serious crime can happen to anybody."

The main focus of the program is how to help sexual assault survivors and to understand the pain that is caused by sexual assaults. It also discusses different forms of communication that may be useful when engaging in intimate encounters. The name is derived from the statistic that one of every four women will either be sexually assaulted or be the attempted victim of assault, according to a study done by Robin Warshaw in 1994.

One in Four held approximately 15 programs last semester, with audiences ranging from different fraternities and sororities to residential halls to athletic teams. At the beginning of each session, the audience members were asked how many of them had been somehow touched by sexual assault—whether they personally were survivors or had a family member or friend who was a survivor. Snyder said that at each program at least half of the participants had been affected.

> *"The program tries to put the audience in the survivors' shoes and then tells how to help them."*
> —***Mary Snyder,*** *interim director of the Women's Resource Center*

Snyder said that the program promotes a greater understanding about how sexual assaults can occur, how a survivor might react and how to help a survivor.

"The greatest asset is that it evokes empathy in the audience for sexual assault survivors and what they go through. The program tries to put the audience in the survivors' shoes and then tells how to help them," Snyder said.

Mark Wenstrom '05 has been an audience member for two One in Four programs.

"I learned about how women view daily life differently from men, especially with the steps they take to prevent rape," Wenstrom said.

By teaching understanding, Snyder hopes that the program also teaches sensitivity while correcting common myths about assault.

"One in Four beats down the misconceptions without being strictly negative. Instead, it shows how to help the survivor. It teaches to get help for yourself and your friend," Snyder said. "It shows healthy ways of being together and promotes a campus of mutual respect. You don't know who has been assaulted or abused, or who might be more sensitive to sexist, and especially racist, jokes."

After a training session in early February, One in Four has a healthy membership of approximately 20 students who hold weekly meetings and are working to create a brochure and a Web site.

The group deals with all different audiences, and this semester they will reach out to local high schools to discuss violence in relationships. One in Four also hopes to work with other area colleges on new programs and perspectives.

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Arts & Entertainment

"Monologues" at University: To V or not to V

BY MELINDA KUMMER
Arts & Entertainment Editor

❖ THEATER REVIEW

Controversy surrounded the University's production of Eve Ensler's "The Vagina Monologues" last Friday and Saturday nights. The introduction of the new monologues written by men, the sexuality presented and graphic descriptions have been both supported and criticized. At the end of the showings, one question begged to be answered—Does "The Vagina Monologues" achieve its goal of raising awareness of violence against women?

This question has been answered in many different ways and the campus remains divided on a conclusive answer. Some would argue the monologues actually defeat their own purpose, while others stress the importance of celebrating the female gender in its struggle against violence. In any event, the production has started a political dialogue about the means of countering and preventing violence.

Some monologues more successfully than others communicated the global problem of violence that women face. "My Vagina was My Village," a monologue featuring Laura Jacque '05 and Laura Holmes '06, specifically delved into the issue of mutilation of women during the war in Bosnia. A deeply moving piece, emotions ran high as the stories of these victims of war were told. The strength and dignity portrayed by these women was nothing short of inspiring, not only to give support to organizations helping violated women, but personally as well.

Another influential monologue was Ensler's own story, "I Was There in the Room," a description of seeing her granddaughter born. A truly deep part of a woman's essence is found in her ability to give birth. The awesome experience of giving another human life is one unique to women and often the least appreciated womanly function. Women have the privilege of being able to give birth—continuing the circle of life—as described in this monologue that concludes the performance.

Other monologues have been nationally criticized for their sexual, even "immoral" focuses. The V-Day College Campaign has addressed many of these issues. "The Little Coochie Snorcher That Could" and "The Woman Who Loved to Make Vaginas Happy" bring issues of statutory rape and prostitution into the quest of women learning to love themselves. "The Coochie Snorcher" monologue is one woman's story of finding herself at 16 when she met a 24-year-old women who introduced her to lesbianism. This monologue has been criticized for condoning statutory rape between women, but V-Day representatives from the University point out the importance of diversity in the vagina stories. The monologue described itself as "politically incorrect" and V-Day stresses that this story is only one way to find female salvation and peace.

"The Woman Who Loved to Make Vaginas Happy" tells the story of a woman who leaves her job as a lawyer to become a prostitute for women. Some women on campus have questioned the empowerment of such a monologue in an age when women are finally being seen as intellectual equals to men. The reduction of an entire woman's essence to her biology seems to ignore her intelligence and spirituality, instead favoring her sexuality.

"Most times, women are reduced to being their vaginas by society. These monologues serve to connect women to their sexuality, and encourage oneness with their physical body," co-director Ibby Cizmar '03 said.

Jen Mellon '04 performed "Reclaiming Cunt," a monologue about changing the meaning of the derogatory term. She said that women are assaulted because they have vaginas.

"If [women] have violence inflicted upon them simply because they are women, then it must be recognized that what makes us women is our vaginas," Mellon said.

V-Day strives to initiate discourse about vaginas and sexual assault.

"How can we talk to women and men about something as sensitive as violence against women and be uncomfortable using the word vagina? Especially considering that much violence against women takes place around that area of their bodies? That's why vaginas are the subject matter," President of V-Day Bucknell Val Lam '03 said.

"I am more than my vagina," Charissa Reimer '05 said after viewing the show.

While the show focuses on the sexuality of women, many women on campus feel that other aspects of womanhood are more crucial to highlight.

The addition of a monologue, at the end of the show, written and performed by men, furthered the theme of creating a violence-free world. Written by Aaron DeRosa '03, David Meilleur '04 and Joseph Trullinger '03, this portion of the production presented three different views from a male perspective on the issue of violence.

"I think it's fantastic that men are committed to ending violence and that they are putting themselves into the political arena onstage," Cizmar said of the male participation.

Emily Rockiki '05 also enjoyed the new piece.

"I thought the new monologue was insightful and well done. I thought it only increased the effectiveness of portraying the problem of violence against women," Rockiki said.

The audience was receptive to adding to "The Vagina Monologues."

"The integration of these men into 'The Vagina Monologues' was without a doubt a step forward for V-Day, in that it showed the importance of support and solidarity regardless of gender," said graduate student Katie Parker, the writer of a women's piece incorporated into the production as a part of the new "Violence-Free World" campaign.

By adding both the women's and men's pieces, Parker said the production shows "that problems like violence against women are not dealt with exclusively by women, but that they are everyone's problem."

During the dialogue period at the end of Saturday night's show, an audience member said she would have rather spent more time appreciating the women's production. The directors, Cizmar and Lee Cromwell '05 also expressed concern for "protecting women's space" onstage. The separation of Ensler's compilation from the University's own monologues was symbolized by the the stage curtain closing.

The difficulty in generalizing the success or failure of "The Vagina Monologues" to meet its goal is apparent. To appreciate some parts while disagreeing with others is a decision individual members of the audience must make for themselves. Since proceeds from the performance went to Susquehanna Valley Women in Transition (SVWIT), some members of the University purchased tickets despite not agreeing with the show's content. In fact, $4,014 from 734 ticket sales alone was donated to SVWIT. As far as success is measured, the monologues were successful in their support of a worthy charity even if a campus is divided about whether the ends justify certain means.

Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian

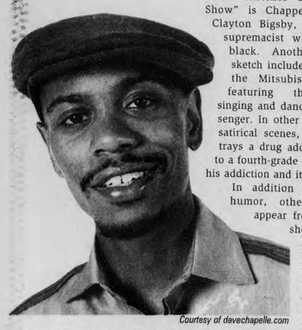
Katie Breitenbach '05 performs "My Angry Vagina" in "The Vagina Monologues." V-Day Bucknell donated a total of $4,014 in performance proceeds alone to Susquehanna Valley Women in Transition.

New "Chappelle's Show" comes to Comedy Central

BY JOSH HERWITT
Staff Writer

❖ TELEVISION REVIEW

Perhaps you have seen him in such films as the college-kid favorite "Half-Baked," "Undercover Brother" or even in "The Nutty Professor," or maybe in television appearances on HBO, "The Late Show with David Letterman" or "Late Night with Conan O'Brien." But if you have not had the opportunity to discover the talented and witty humor of comedian Dave Chappelle, Comedy Central has presented "Chappelle's Show" as one of its premier new television series debuting Jan. 22 at 10:30 p.m. Chappelle will star in 12 30-minute episodes in this new, much-anticipated and confrontational sketch-comedy series.



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Comparable to other current sketch-comedy series such as the renowned "Saturday Night Live" as well as HBO's "The Chris Rock-Show," Chappelle offers a more personal side to sketch comedy with his satires of street life and pop culture lifestyles. Each sketch is introduced by Chappelle in stand-up format in front of a studio audience, and incorporates his perspective on all forms of American culture, conceptualizes them and has viewers bursting into laughter. These ideas are often hilarious but controversial.

One of the most notorious and ironic sketches of "Chappelle's Show" is Chappelle's character Clayton Bigsby, a blind white supremacist who, is actually black. Another memorable sketch includes his parody of the Mitsubishi commercial featuring the obnoxious singing and dancing female passenger. In other outrageous and satirical scenes, Chappelle portrays a drug addict who speaks to a fourth-grade classroom about his addiction and its benefits.

In addition to Chappelle's humor, other guests will appear frequently on his show. Co-created and co-written by Neal Brennan, who also worked with Chappelle on "Half-Baked," the series will feature multiple acts from top music guests in hip-hop and R&B genres including Busta Rhymes, Fat Joe, The Roots, Talib Kweli, GZA, Killer Mike and Slum Village.

The arrival of "Chappelle's Show" should draw attention across the country to Comedy Central and the work of Chappelle and Brennan. I recommend checking it out on Comedy Central on Wednesdays and Fridays at 12:30 a.m., Saturdays at 1:30 a.m. and Sundays at 10:30 p.m.

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Ooh la la—French films in Lewisburg

BY KRISTI JOHNSTON
Senior Writer

For the second year in a row, the Campus Theatre is planning to present a festival of modern French cinema. Starting tonight and running through Feb. 27, the festival hopes to attract the crowds that made last year's event such a success.

Officially titled Le Festival du Cinéma Français 2003, the festival is made possible by the Society for French-American Cultural Services and Educational Aid (FACSEA), a nonprofit agency in New York. This year's funding is double that of last year, allowing the Campus Theatre to present more films.

In addition to the seven film features, the theater will be showing a silent short film each night. These short films include works by French cinematographers such as Georges Melies, Alice Guy, Ferdinand Zecca, Louis Feuillade and the Lumière brothers.

Assistant Professor of English Eric Faden, who owns the Campus Theatre, is looking forward to this year's festival.

"I'm especially excited about Jean Cocteau's 'La Belle et la Bête,'" he said, referring to the film version of "Beauty and the Beast" that preceded Disney's by almost 50 years. "It's a beautiful, beautiful film, fully restored. This is the way the film should be viewed."

While providing entertainment, organizers hope the festival will provide viewers with a unique educational opportunity.

"The festival is a unique opportunity, not only for students, but for everyone in the community to gain a better understanding of the historical and aesthetic influence of French cinema in our visual culture today," Assistant Professor of French Philippe Dubois said in a press release. "The grant from FACSEA, as well as the support from [the University] and various local communities, underlines the area's growing interest in French culture. The festival will help everyone, especially students, make important linguistic and cultural connections outside the typical classroom environment."

Most of the films that will be shown have been made within the last 18 months.

"This [will be] a big cross section of new French cinema," Faden said. "We are trying to show in a week's time what French cinema looks like in 2003."

Tonight's opening of the festival includes a reception at 7 p.m. The theater will be displaying original articles concerning "La Belle et la Bête," including an original script, a copy of Cocteau's set journal and many unique photographs.

Other films to be shown include "Huit Femmes," "Les Rivières Pourpres," "L'Anglaise et le Duc," "L'Emploi du Temps," "Une Affaire du Goût" and "Lumumba."

"We have everything from mainstream, commercial films ... to comedies," Faden said. "We are showing things that are typical of French cinema and things that are atypical of French cinema. I think a lot of people will be surprised."

The festival is sponsored by FACSEA, the Women's and Gender Studies Office, the French Club, the Department of English, the Association for the Arts, the Humanities Institute, the Department of Foreign Language Programs, the Bleu Plate Café, the Lycoming College French Program and the Susquehanna University Department of Modern Languages.

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> ***—Eric Faden,** assistant professor of English*

SR-71 to play at Uptown tomorrow night

BY DAVE ALLEN
Staff Writer

❖ MUSIC REVIEW

SR-71's major label debut in 2000, "Now You See Inside," is a catchy, energetic album loaded from top to bottom with strong vocal harmonies, solid instrumentation and clever lyrics.

From the opening track "Politically Correct," singer/guitarist Mitch Allan exhibits a needling, sarcastic approach with the lyrics: "So you conform with the best of intentions ... After all, that's what this country was founded on/do nothing different, just fall in line."

The lyrics of their biggest radio hit, "Right Now," takes a humorous look at the end of a relationship: "She may not be Miss Right, but she'll do right now."

In addition to the standard rock-band formula of guitars, bass and drums, several tracks also have touches of keyboard and synthesizers, and a few others, such as "Go Away" and "Empty Spaces," are rooted in acoustic guitars.

The three other members of the band all contribute backing vocals on this album, creating interesting sweeps of layered vocal harmonies. These types of vocals are featured on tracks such as "Fame (What She's Wanting)," "Non-Toxic" and "Alive."

Before the recording of their 2002 album, "Tomorrow," the band replaced original drummer Dan Garvin with John Allen. According to the band's Web site (sr-71.net), original bassist Jeff Reid and guitarist Mark Beauchemin left the band in January and have been replaced by two new musicians from the band's hometown of Baltimore.

"The band ... took a crash course in rock and roll hedonism. 'Lots of nights, lots of cities, lots of girls,' says guitarist Mark Beauchemin, describing both the tour and 'Tomorrow.' 'It's all there on the record. You've just gotta read between the lines,'" according to the band's Web site.

The newly revamped SR-71 will take the stage at Uptown tomorrow. Doors will open at 9:30 p.m. and admission is free with BU ID.

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Vision 2010: A plan for the future

Task force white papers released for four of five portions—BSG makes suggestions for improvements on student affairs draft

BY RACHEL LASKOW
Senior Editor

University President Steffen Rogers recently released the task force white papers—drafts available online—for the academic affairs, student affairs, enrollment management and finance and administration portions of Vision 2010. The task force white paper for the final part, University Relations, will come out before spring break.

Vision 2010, which Rogers announced in his inaugural address, describes the University's strategic plans for the next decade.

"We want to make certain that we reaffirm the attributes of Bucknell that have always defined this University and that we address the future, because that future will be considerably different than when our last plan was put in place in 1990," Rogers said.

Rogers originally hoped to present the final document to the Board of Trustees in April, but during a recent meeting of the University Council, the Faculty Council suggested that more time was needed. The University Council and Board of Trustees leaders endorsed the extended schedule.

"I am much more interested in the quality of the document than meeting a deadline. After all, we are planning the future of Bucknell. A few extra months could make a real difference," Rogers said.

At press time, four white papers were out to the campus and governance committees for feedback. Rogers hopes to release the document to the trustees immediately following the Oct. 6 faculty meeting. Formal consideration by the trustees will not occur until their November meeting.

According to Rogers, although closed strategic plans are easier, he chose to have an open strategic plan while creating Vision 2010 because he wants everyone involved in the process.

"Everyone has difficulty with an open strategic plan because it doesn't have nice clean lines. The frustration levels are often higher, but in the end we will come out with a better document because there are a lot bright people on this campus feeling their ideas into the final product. Hopefully, it will be a document in which everyone will have ownership," Rogers said.

Academic Affairs Task Force Report

According to Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs Stephen Bowen, the goal of the academic portion of Vision 2010 is to refine and reaffirm the University's identity and mission, and to set priorities for academic programs that will best help us advance that mission.

International education and civic engagement are two areas on which the University will focus.

According to Bowen, anyone who stands back and looks at how the world has changed over the past 20 years can see how our lives are increasingly interconnected with those of other people across the globe.

"Most of us feel that humanity is on a fast track to the future and that future is going to be a global future, not just a local future," Bowen said.

Rogers also finds international education important.

"We are seeing such a change globally. I would hope that we would want our students to experience something

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Dan Fellon—The Bucknellian

University President Steffen Rogers released the task force white papers parts of 2010. Drafts are available online for student input.

BY ALYSON WALKER
Features Editor

University President Steffen Rogers was ready to plan for the future of student life, as he stated in his inaugural address in fall of 2000. With the assistance of the Student Life and Culture Task Force and Vision 2010 Steering Committee, Rogers released the Student Life and Culture Plan within Vision 2010 to the University community for comments on Feb. 13.

Since that date, student organizations, as well as individual students, have been invited to make comments and criticisms of the document. Bucknell Student Government [BSG] suggested alterations to the existing document.

The plan is designed to integrate academic education and student life. The introduction of the text states, "Our vision for student life and culture at Bucknell has one overarching objective: that every student be deeply involved in his or her own education and personal development."

Vice President of Student Affairs Charles Pollock '70, who serves as the chair of the Student Life and Culture Task Force, said that the task force was looking to create an environment of active learning rather than passive gleaning of facts and data. This goal is expounded on by five issues—educating the whole person, personal engagement, diversity, leadership and setting.

Under each of these issues is a goal for the University and initiatives to help implement and achieve these goals.

To educate the whole person, the University goal is to "more deliberately and effectively help our students to deepen their understanding of themselves along multiple dimensions, including the intellectual, social, emotional, spiritual, physical and occupational." Initiatives to help reach this

> *"Our vision for student life and culture at Bucknell has one overarching objective: that every student be deeply involved in his or her own education and personal development."*
> ***—Student Life and Culture Plan***

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Two softball players injured in gym accident

BY PAT EVANS
Sports Editor

University softball players Brandi Porter '03 and Ashley Sarnecky '06 sustained serious injuries and were rushed to the hospital after the track and field team's 700-pound throwing cage shifted position and fell on top of them while they attempted to move it in on Feb. 15 in Gerhard Fieldhouse.

Porter broke her femur and severely damaged her face. Sarnecky broke the lumbar region of her vertebrae. Both student-athletes are currently at home recovering under the care of their families.

"The University is in the process of completing a thorough review of the circumstances surrounding the accident," Director of Athletics and Recreation John Hardt said. "The purpose of this review is to determine and verify all facts surrounding the incident. Our goal is to help ensure that everything possible is done to prevent any similar occurrence in the future."

What is known is that a number of softball players were helping their coaches move the cage to its appropriate storage area after their scrim-

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Future of Senior Night in jeopardy after incident

BY JACLYN CARR
Staff Writer

The future of Senior Nights is in jeopardy after a student was transported from Big Andy's Bar and Grill in Milton to Evangelical Community Hospital for treatment after an alcohol overdose last Thursday.

> *"Senior Night provides class spirit and camaraderie and if we could make Senior Night a moderate drinking experience, it should be allowed to continue."*
> ***—Laura Day,** senior class president*

Because of this incident, the University General Counsel is reviewing whether or not Senior Night should be continued for the remainder of the academic year.

Before a decision is made, the counsel will determine the liability of the University if a a similar incident occured in the future.

"The state law mandates that it is the responsibility of the establishment owning and operating the liquor license to deny visably intoxicated customers service," said Ron DeOrzio '03. "Big Andy's alone should be held responsible for the alcohol overdose and subsequent hospitalization of the Bucknell student who was served there last Thursday."

Currently, the University only provides funding for transportation and a disc jockey.

"I would say this incident was more

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G. Love named as opening band for Third Eye Blind

Photo Courtesy of G-love.net

The Concert Committee announced that G. Love will perform as the opening act for Third Eye Blind at the spring concert. April's concert will be the first major concert since Busta Rhymes played last spring.

BY JENNIFER JENCHURA
Senior Writer

Bucknell University's Concert Committee recently announced the performance of G. Love before Third Eye Blind takes the stage for the April 4 inaugural concert in Sojka Pavilion.

After seeking approval from Third Eye Blind, G. Love was confirmed over the weekend.

"The concert committee worked hard to make sure the first show in the pavilion was special for Bucknell students," Associate Dean of Students Kari Conrad said. "In the past some students have had the perception that the Concert Committee was trying to appease both the outside community and Bucknell students. Certainly it is nice when we have community support because we rely on them for ticket sales. The main priority, however, has always been to choose a group that Bucknell students like."

Between putting on last semester's Fall Fest, which featured two live bands on campus in an outdoor setting, and saving to put on a big spring concert in Sojka Pavilion, April's concert will mark the first major concert since Busta Rhymes played last spring in the Fieldhouse.

"The Concert Committee has all aspirations to also have a concert this upcoming fall as well. The Sojka Pavilion has a much better venue with better acoustics and seating," said Marty Pfinsgraff '03, co-concert committee chairman.

The Concert Committee began researching opening

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Sorority sponsors rape forum

BY ELISABETH SALEMME
News Editor

The sisters of Delta Delta Delta Sorority sponsored a rape forum intended to educate students about sexual assault at the University.

Dean and Judicial Advocate for Sexual Assault (JASA) Kari Conrad, Dean of Students Richard Ferraro and University Counsel Wayne Bromfield discussed the adjudication process for sexual assault at the University. They spoke about the institutional response to reported sexual assault, the process once the JASA is contacted, the Hearing Board on Sexual Assault (HBSA), the University standard of proof, relevancy issues during the trial and the appeals process. This information can be found in the Student Handbook.

"Most often sexual assault is reported to sexual assault advocates on campus. We have several on campus who will address the situation [and] will explain the sexual assault protocol," Conrad said.

Conrad spoke about the right of both parties to seek a member of the University to act as an adviser who assists either party in the judicial hearing board process.

"I encourage [both parties] to bring their adviser with them to all meetings and the advisers can schedule their own meetings if they have any additional questions," Conrad said.

Bromfield explained the University's preponderance of evidence standard of proof. According

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Morin named Fulbright Scholar

Associate Professor of Geography Karen Morin spent three months lecturing in Russia as a Fulbright Scholar on the symbolism of monuments, gender roles and the American West.

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Iraq Forum

Forum fails to give all perspectives

Student criticizes faculty presentations at Iraq open forum for failing to present both sides of the issue.

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SPORTS

Men's Swimming

Men's and women's swimming win Patriots

Men outdistance Patriot League foes and take home Patriot League trophy for the first time in team history.

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Public Safety Log

Sunday, Feb. 16

VANDALISM—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) broke out a window in the hallway of Trax Hall. The incident is under investigation.

HARASSMENT BY COMMUNICATION—A student reported to Public Safety that she received a harassing phone call in her room at Hunt Hall from an unknown male. The incident is under investigation.

HARASSMENT BY COMMUNICATION—A second student reported to Public Safety that she received a harassing phone call in her room at Hunt Hall from an unknown male. The incident is under investigation.

INFORMATION / PROPERTY DAMAGE—While on routine patrol, Public Safety observed the Bucknell West map/directory sign had been pushed over by unknown person(s). No witnesses or suspects were located in a search of the area.

HARASSMENT BY COMMUNICATION—A student reported to Public Safety that she received a harassing phone call in her room at Tower House from an unknown male. The incident is under investigation.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—Public Safety responded to the Fieldhouse for the report of two students who were injured when the batting cage they were attempting to move fell on them. The females were transported by ambulance to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment and later returned to campus.

THEFT / HARASSMENT BY COMMUNICATION—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed all white board markers and wrote obscene messages on the boards on the third floor of Harris Hall. The incident is under investigation.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed his coat, valued at $100, from the Phi Psi Fraternity. The incident is under investigation.

HARASSMENT BY COMMUNICATION—Three students reported to Public Safety that they received harassing phone calls in their Hunt Hall and Vedder Hall rooms from an unknown male. The incident is under investigation.

Monday, Feb. 17

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—Public Safety responded to Smith Hall for the report of an ill student. Due to the snow emergency, the individual was transported by ambulance to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment and later returned to campus.

ACT 64 / DRUG VIOLATION—Public Safety responded to Larison Hall for the report of the odor of marijuana. One student admitted to having smoked marijuana and turned over a water bong and a small amount of marijuana. Lewisburg Police Department responded. Citations issued for possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

INFORMATION / BROKEN WINDOW—A student reported to Public Safety that an interior door pane in Trax Hall was broken by unknown person(s). No witnesses or suspects were located in a search of the area.

ACT 64 / DRUG VIOLATION—Public Safety responded to Swartz Hall for the report of the odor of marijuana. A student admitted to having a small amount of marijuana and a pipe. One student and his visitor admitted to smoking marijuana in the room. East Buffalo Township Police Department responded. Citations issued for possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Tuesday, Feb. 18

MISSING PROPERTY—An employee reported to Public Safety that a shovel had been removed from her house by unknown person(s). No witnesses or suspects were located in a search of the area.

Wednesday, Feb. 19

VEHICLE ACCIDENT—An employee vehicle struck a University vehicle when the operator attempted to pass another University truck stopped in traffic. There were no injuries and the vehicles sustained minor damage.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF/DISORDERLY CONDUCT—While on routine patrol, Public Safety observed a group throwing snow balls by the Langone Center. Upon investigation, two males were identified as students. A lamp post was found broken outside the Langone Center. University charges will be filed upon further investigation.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—Public Safety responded to Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity for the report of a student with a facial laceration obtained while wrestling with an unknown individual. A Student Health Servies driver transported the student to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment and the individual later returned to campus.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT / UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—While on routine patrol, two males stopped Public Safety on Moore Avenue and requested a ride to Swartz Hall. When Public Safety offered a safe escort, one male made sarcastic comments. Public Safety continued to observe the individuals and one male directed an obscene gesture at the Public Safety. The individuals were then stopped and identified as students. One of the students had an unsteady stance and admitted to consuming alcohol although under the age of 21. He was cited for disorderly conduct and underage consumption.

INDECENT SEXUAL ASSAULT—A student reported to Public Safety that in March 2002, a male student with whom she was dancing at Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity grabbed her hands and forced them inside his pants. Her friends assisted in removing her from the situation. She reported this after reading *The Bucknellian* issue on sexual assaults. East Buffalo Township Police Department responded. The incident is being investigated.

Thursday, Feb. 20

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—Public Safety responded to Moore Avenue Parking lot for the report of an employee who slipped on the ice and was unconscious. The employee was transported by ambulance to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment and later returned to work.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) partially removed his parking decal from his vehicle while parked at the Davis Circle. The incident is under investigation.

Friday, Feb. 21

MISSING PROPERTY—A student reported to Public Safety that she accidentally left her mini disc player in the library and when she went to look for it, she was unable to locate it.

INFORMATION—Public Safety responded to the rear of Smith Hall for the report of male students pouring gasoline on a tree, possibly to ignite it. Public Safety located a gas can buried in the snow. Lewisburg Police Department responded. The gasoline was confiscated and placed in the Hazmat Storage area. Nobody was found at the scene.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—While Public Safety was conducting a party check at Kappa Delta Rho Fraternity, a male student, under the age of 21, was cited for underage possession and consumption of alcohol.

ACT 64 / DISORDERLY CONDUCT—A student reported to Public Safety that two students were causing a disturbance in Swartz Hall. Public Safety apprehended the individuals as they exited the bathroom and started yelling obscenities at Public Safety. The students admitted that earlier in the evening they had taken LSD. East Buffalo Police Department responded. The students were transported by East Buffalo Township Police Department and Lewisburg Police Department to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room. Charges are pending.

DISTURBANCE/DISORDERLY CONDUCT—Public Safety responded to Roberts Hall for the report of four students yelling in the hallway. Officers determined that a male student had accidentally struck the nose of one of the female students while they were at Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity. The female did not wish to take any further action and accepted the apology of the male student.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—A Student Security worker notified Public Safety that unknown person(s) had broken a window above the front doors to Larison Hall. The incident is under investigation.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—An employee reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) had broken a window at Vaughan Literature Library. The incident is under investigation.

THEFT—A male reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) had taken a meat slicer from Sigma Chi Fraternity. The incident is under investigation.

Saturday, Feb. 22

UNDERAGE POSSESSION OF ALCOHOL—Public Safety responded to McDonnell Hall for the report of three males in a lounge possibly drinking alcohol. Public Safety spoke to a student who stated that the males were visitors. She later admitted that they brought the alcohol to campus. There were no visible signs that the students had been drinking but there were several empty alcohol bottles in the room. Citation issued for underage possession of alcohol.

DISTURBANCE/DISORDERLY CONDUCT—Public Safety responded to the front of Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity for the report of a possible fight in progress. The individuals involved had left the area after becoming upset that they were not admitted to the party.

Students and faculty celebrate Engineers Week

By M. Robert Ellis
News Editor

Last week the University's engineering department held its annual Engineers Week in which the different engineering disciplines compete in events and challenges.

National Engineers Week was founded in 1951 by the National Society of Professional Engineers.

According to the engineering week national Web site, National Engineers Week originally included a few scattered government proclamations, dinners and speeches. It has since grown to involve tens of thousands of engineers in a variety of community outreach activities, such as technology and education exhibits at shopping malls, to presentations of student scholarships.

"In the College of Engineering [at Bucknell] we like to hold a 'bragging rights' style competition where students and faculty can engage in fun and creative competitions between departments," Associate Dean of Engineering Karen Marosi said.

This year's Engineers Week included a banner contest, scavenger hunt, video contest, poetry challenge, snow sculpting and a logo competition. The week also had non-competitive events such as a career networking session, an alumni lunch with students and a dinner.

"The engineering department supports the activities of Engineers' Week as a way to celebrate all engineering disciplines, promote friendly competition amongst the five departments, as well as promote a sense of unity within each department as you work and compete in the projects and events throughout the week," said Michelle Beardslee '03, student coordinator of Engineers Week.

"It was such a thrill to socialize with past alum and faculty members outside the classroom. I look forward to doing the same at next year's Engineers Week."
—Justin Schwartz '04

Another goal of the week is to improve networking capabilities by working with the alumni association.

"The college also tries to coincide with the Bucknell Engineering Alumni Association, who are very interested in becoming more active with students and providing them with networking opportunities," Beardslee said.

Many students took the opportunity to associate with past alumni.

"It was such a thrill to socialize with past alum and faculty members outside the classroom. I look forward to doing the same at next year's Engineers Week," Justin Schwartz '04, president of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

The week concluded with the Engineers Week dinner attended by over 270 people.

"This was my first time attending the Engineers Week dinner. I was shocked on the outstanding attendance of the dinner," Swartz said.

At the dinner, Mark H. Ronald '63 was awarded the 2003 Distinguished Engineering Alumni Award. This award is given annually to an engineering alum who has distinguished him or herself through extraordinary commitment to the College of Engineering and the University, exemplary professional achievement or noteworthy contributions to society.

"This is a very prestigious award and it was very special to be able to include the granting of this award with the Engineering Week dinner. Mr. Ronald appreciated being named the recipient of the award and was really impressed with our sense of community and the efforts by the students," Marosi said.

The Golden Hammer Award was presented to the Electrical Engineering Department for being the overall points winner for the week.

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acts at about the same time it pursued the headliner.

"There are a limited number of bands touring this spring. We wanted a band that would compliment Third Eye Blind and appeal to the greatest number of students," Pfinsgraff said. "We also wanted to make sure we had a strong opener for the inaugural concert in Sojka. The combination of G. Love and Third Eye make for an exciting bill that will appeal to the majority of students."

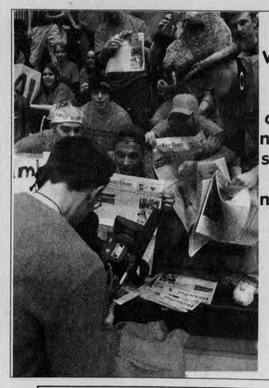
Billed as a "Special Guest" G. Love and Special Sauce is inspired by a variety of music such as jazz, hip-hop and classic rhythm and blues. They became a college favorite after the release of their self-titled debut album in 1994, which sold more then 250,000 copies without significant radio play. The band has toured extensively, playing clubs and colleges across the United States. Last September the band played at Crowbar near Penn State University.

"We are very sensitive to what Bucknell students want. The committee selected G. Love because it appeals to the college crowd," Conrad said.

Best known for bluesy, sing-along hits such as "Baby's Got Sauce," "Cold Beverage" and the Philadelphia Tribute, "I-76." Frontman G. Love, born Garrett Dutton, grew up in Philadelphia, singing on his hometown. Succeeding the band's 1994 debut album, "G. Love & Special Sauce," the band released "Coast to Coast Motel" in 1995, followed by "Yeah, It's That Easy" in 1997. Last March the band put out a greatest hits album, "The Best of G. Love and Special Sauce," after their 2001 release, "The Electric Mile," and "Philadelphonic" released in the summer of 1999.

"From the student surveys G. Love is well-liked at Bucknell so I imagine students will attend the band's performance," Conrad said.

Tickets are $25 for students for either standing or reserved seating and $35 for the general public. Approximately 2,000 tickets each of seating and standing room will go on sale for students March 17 and a week later for the general public. People wishing to purchase reserved seating tickets are encouraged to purchase with friends in order to guarantee seats together. The doors open at 8 p.m. and G. Love is set to take the stage at 9, followed by Third Eye Blind.



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News

World Briefs

Compiled by Elisabeth Salemme
Courtesy of MSNBC.COM

10 killed in Conn. nursing home fire

HARTFORD, Conn.—A fire tore through a Hartford nursing home early Wednesday, killing 10 people and sending 23 to hospitals, authorities said. One person was arrested, and fire officials said the fire was considered suspicious.

Band members called before R.I. grand jury

WARWICK, R.I.—As grief-stricken families prepared for the first wave of funerals Wednesday, members of the band whose pyrotechnics sparked a nightclub inferno returned to Rhode Island to testify before a grand jury that will determine if criminal charges should be filed in connection with the blaze.

Vilifying Islam from the pulpit

JACKSONVILLE, Fla.—Disavowing U.S. President George W. Bush's pleas not to blame mainstream Muslims for terrorism, the Rev. Jerry Vines of Jacksonville's powerhouse First Baptist Church calls the Prophet Muhammad a "demon-plagued pedophile" and preaches that Islam is a religion of hate. The sentiment runs so strongly that few clergymen are willing to confront Vines, NBC's Bob Faw reported from Jacksonville.

Oldest U.S. man, 113, dies in Florida

LAKELAND, Fla.—The oldest man in the United States died Monday from heart failure at the age of 113. John McMorran, who was born June 19, 1889, in a log cabin in Michigan, considered coffee his elixir and quit cigars at age 97. He was the fourth-oldest person in the world.

Saddam vows death before exile

BAGHDAD—Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said he would rather die than leave his country, dismissing recent arguments by U.S. and Arab leaders that he could go into exile to avoid war.

Shuttle probe poses orbital puzzle

Investigators combing through debris from the shuttle Columbia have discovered what is believed to be a penetration of Columbia's left wing from the top, NBC News reported Tuesday. This could suggest that a piece of the shuttle came off during orbital flight, setting the stage for its doom. Also Tuesday, NASA confirmed that it had recovered cockpit videotape taken by the shuttle astronauts, but said it ended several minutes before the accident.

EPA worried as child asthma doubles

WASHINGTON—fewer children are showing high levels of lead in their blood or the effects of secondhand smoke, a government report has found—but childhood asthma rates are doubling. The Environmental Protection Agency report also found that one of every dozen women of childbearing age has blood mercury levels that could hinder brain development in a fetus.

Blair unveils global warming plan

LONDON—British Prime Minister Tony Blair announced ambitious plans Monday to combat global warming, saying the Kyoto treaty to reduce greenhouse gases did not go far enough and criticizing the United States for failing to back it. Blair vowed Britain would seek to reduce its emissions of harmful carbon dioxide by 60 percent by 2050 and said U.S. President George W. Bush was wrong to claim fighting warming will slow economic growth.

Ethnicity plays role in fat syndrome

CHICAGO—A syndrome linked to obesity, diabetes and heart disease is most common among Mexican-American women and least common among black men, a study found.

Pioneer 10 falls silent after 31 years

LOS ANGELES—Pioneer 10, the first spacecraft to venture out of the solar system, has fallen silent after traveling billions of miles from Earth on a mission that has lasted nearly 31 years, NASA said Tuesday.

Glimmer of hope in AIDS drug trial

SAN FRANCISCO—An experimental AIDS vaccine does not appear to protect most whites and Hispanics from the disease but may show promise in protecting blacks and Asians, said VaxGen Inc., the company that makes the vaccine. NBC's Robert Bazell cautioned that the results showing possible protection among some racial groups were highly inconclusive and represented "a very small part of a study that was essentially negative."

Student appears on syndicated version of "The Weakest Link"

Katie Jordan '04 participated in the Greek edition of the popular game show

By Jason Oster
Staff Writer

Katie Jordan '04 had a lot to celebrate the night she found out she was selected to be a contestant on the syndicated version of "The Weakest Link." Originally, she tried out to be on the College Cheerleader Edition, but after passing the preliminary quiz over the phone and filling out her application, she was asked to be on the fraternity and sorority edition.

While other students might have taken road trips or gone home over their fall breaks in October, Katie was flown out to Los Angeles to try out for a spot on the nationally broadcasted show and to represent the University and her sorority.

"The studio paid for my plane tickets and hotel, which was right next to Universal Studios, and it was beautiful," Jordan said. The show flew over 40 students involved in Greek life from schools all over the nation. It was still not definite whether Jordan would be chosen to appear on the well-known game show and have the chance to win up to $100,000.

"I think I first started getting nervous when I had to interview with the producers, who would decide which people they actually wanted to be on the show," Jordan said. "After waiting in this backroom for hours, they finally called the six names of those who would be appearing on this first show, and my name was one of them."

Without any preparation, Jordan was taken from the backroom onto the soundstage where the game show is filmed.

"We picked our order at random, and just my luck, I was first," Jordan said.

Jordan was on a show with five other college students from around the country—Ola, Eric, Will, Lauren and Cliff. Eric and Will came from the South, as did Ola, who was representing Spellman College. Lauren was from the University of Arizona. Receiving the first question, Jordan was asked to name the 1939 film which had Dorothy and the Yellow Brick Road, to which she correctly answered "The Wizard of Oz." The next question was not as much a success for Jordan.

"For anyone who saw the show, they probably laughed at my answer to, 'What star in the Solar System takes 9 minutes to reach Earth?' to which I eventually replied, "Venus." And needless to say I was voted off first. Under the pressure and the quick speed of the game I forgot that the sun is a star, and since they don't allow you to say 'pass' or 'I don't know,' I had to say something," Jordan said.

"Even though I did not win, I'm happy with the way it turned out on TV. I was extremely lucky to be given such an awesome opportunity."
—Katie Jordan '04

For those who do not know how the game works, the players vote off the show the person who they believe is the weakest link. Stastically, the one voted off is not always actually the weakest link. This was unfortunately true in Jordan's case. Although Eric and Cliff did not answer any questions correctly, and were the real weakest links, three of the contestants voted off Katie.

"The only comfort I take is knowing that I actually was not the weakest link for the round—two of the other guys were statistically lower than me," Jordan said.

When most people think of "The Weakest Link," an obnoxious British lady spouting insults comes to mind. George Gray is the host in this syndicated edition. It was Gray who told Jordan, "You are the weakest link … goodbye."

"George Gray is a funny guy in real life. It seems like they only air his corny jokes, but off camera he had us cracking up the entire time," Jordan said. "He made a point to come meet us all and hang out for a little while."

Jordan got to know the other contestants prior to the taping of the show.

"Twenty of us were stuck in this backroom for what seemed like forever," Jordan said. "It was actually kind of funny because I think we all started getting crazy after the fifth or sixth hour and we still didn't know who would be picked for the show. We got to know a lot about each other while we waited and made plans to go out that night."

Jordan enjoyed meeting contestants from different cities and meeting such diverse and interesting people, which was different from her experience in Lewisburg and at the University.

"It was disappointing that we only had one day to spend together, because I would have loved to get to know them all more," Jordan said.

One of the best aspects of appearing on the show for Jordan was that she was able to represent both her sorority and the Universtiy.

"Even though I didn't win, I was still flattered to be picked for the show at all," Jordan said. "I think my sorority's nationals were originally concerned about how it would be edited and how the final product would make me look. And even though I did not win, I'm happy with the way it turned out on TV. I was extremely lucky to be given such an awesome opportunity."

Seniors mark remaining 2003 hours

Tyler Kidder—*The Bucknellian*

The senior class celebrated 2003 hours until graduation with a party on Monday in the Bison. The celebration was organized by the Class of 2003 officers.

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News

Van Wagener '06 receives helpful software

By Meghan Fox
Staff Writer

As a demonstration of love and support for its fellow class member, the Class of 2006 used the proceeds of its Valentine's Dance to purchase voice activated software for David Van Wagener '06, who was paralyzed in a skiing accident over winter break.

The dance, held on Feb. 15, raised enough money to pay off the initial costs, and to purchase the Dragon Naturally Speaking Professional, the voice-activated software conducive to Van Wagener's progress.

"The dance was absolutely a success. Initially we were just going to have a dance because of demand, but we still came out and made a little bit of money, $20, on top of what we donated. Our goal was to buy David the software, and since we did that, and we didn't lose money, that in it of itself is a success. It also says a lot about the class, too," Secretary and Treasurer Joel Buckman '06 said.

> *"My injury is a serious one. But, I am working hard at rehab, I remain optimistic about my longer-term outlook and I am seriously aiming to return to Bucknell in the fall."*
> **—David Van Wagener '06**

The check for Dragon Naturally Speaking Professional was signed last Friday, and the software should be arriving soon to Van Wagener's room in Craig Hospital where he is currently carrying out his rehabilitation.

Since the accident, Van Wagener has been unable to use his fingers and has had to rely upon others to transcribe e-mails. With the new software, David will be able to respond to e-mails on his own.

"The basic idea of it is that David will be able to dictate words and phrases into a microphone, which will be translated into a word document or an e-mail. Basically, he has use of his computer and can function without having to use the fine motor skills of his hands," Buckman said.

Paul Wolujewicz, president of the Class of 2006, explained that the class officers were notified of the accident over break and immediately wanted to help out in every way possible. Many sent cards and care packages, but they hoped to aid Van Wagener in a more substantial way.

"We thought we wanted to do something a little more practical than just getting him stuff like DVDs," Wolujewicz said. "We wanted to get a big project together so that we could give him something worthwhile, and so that he would know we were really heartfelt about this and not just doing it out of an obligation. We wanted to show our support in the way that he deserves it."

In conversations with Van Wagener's father, Assistant Dean of Students Amy Badal learned that the voice-activated software was a necessary investment for Van Wagener's recuperation.

"This was something that his father had mentioned that he needed when we asked what we could do for him. This was one of his suggestions. I presented it to the officers, and the officers loved the idea," Badal said.

"We did it as a measure of support. Part of our job as class officers is to maintain class unity, especially when a tragedy like this occurs. Our goal was just to help out in any way possible and to unite the class around that cause. Any way to be supportive was what we were shooting for," Buckman said.

The Class of 2006 officers continue to send Van Wagener something every week to express continuous hope and support during his recovery.

"Thanks to everyone at Bucknell for your support and prayers over the past several weeks since my accident. The various cards and care packages, posters from the Class of '06 and Buck Wild, Valentine's Dance fundraiser and basketball game dedication all really boost my spirits a lot! And I am excited about the voice-activated software—it will be crucial to my studies and communication since I can currently move my arms pretty well, but not my hands," Van Wagener said.

Although rehabilitation is demanding and physically exhausting, Van Wagener continues to make progress and to maintain a positive attitude.

"My injury is a serious one. But, I am working hard at rehab, I remain optimistic about my longer-term outlook and I am seriously aiming to return to Bucknell in the fall. This, of course, assumes that my general health and my strength continue to progress. It also assumes that we can arrange the necessary support from nurses, the University, hospitals and friends. But I am grateful for how hard everyone is working along with me to make this happen," Van Wagener said.

Van Wagener continues to encounter new challenges in rehab and is currently learning to eat without the use of his fingers. His progress is updated on a regular basis on his Web site (www.dbdoctor.net/david), which also serves as a message board and a prayer page for Van Wagener.

"Please know that your support has meant more than you can even appreciate. I read each of the postings on the Web site and, while I am not yet in a position to respond to them, they really lift me up in my efforts to return next fall. Please keep those cards and Web postings coming!" Van Wagener said.

Anyone from the Bucknell community who would like to send Van Wagener a card or package may bring it to Badal's office, LC 211. The University will provide postage.

"David is so unbelievably motivated and it is so awesome to hear that news. We are eager for him to come back. We have high hopes and we are greatly excited for his return to Bucknell," Wolujeqitz said.

Photo courtesy of Meghan Fox

BSG members take a break from dancing during the first-year student Valentine's Day Dance. BSG sponsored the event to help raise money for voice-activated software for classmate David Van Wagener.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Feb. 28 FRI

Hilltop Film Series: "The Nasty Girl"
Vaughan Lit. Auditorium
4:30 & 8 p.m.

Shabbat Service and Dinner
Berelson Center
5:30 p.m.

Susquehanna Valley Mall Shuttle
Downhill LC
6 p.m.

Women's Basketball vs. Holy Cross
Sojka Pavilion
6 p.m.

Symposium: The Future of Graduate Studies in English
Willard Smith Library
7:30 p.m.

Who Wants to Be a Thousandaire?
LC Forum
9 p.m.

Men's Basketball vs. Holy Cross
Sojka Pavilion
9 p.m.

Pub Night
Uptown
9:30 p.m.

"Changing Lanes"
LC Forum
10:30 p.m.

Late Night Music: Teddy Goldstein
7th Street Café
11 p.m.

March 1 SAT

Delta Gamma Founders' Day Brunch
Hunt Hall Living Room
11 a.m.

Buzz Spector
Samek Art Gallery
Artist, Object, Installation
Feb. 2 to March 2

Wal-Mart Shuttle
Downhill LC
3 & 6 p.m

Susquehanna Valley Mall Shuttle
Downhill LC
3 & 6 p.m.

Catholic Mass
Rooke Chapel
5:30 p.m.

Asian Dinner
Larison Dining Hall
6 p.m.

Performance: Bucknell Opera Company
Weis Center
8 p.m.

Comedian: Tammy Pescatelli
Bison
9 p.m.

"My Big Fat Greek Wedding"
Vaughan Lit. Auditorium
10:30 p.m.

March 2 SUN

Quaker Services
Willard Smith Library
9:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Interdenominational Worship Service
Rooke Chapel
11 a.m.

Episcopal Eucharist Service
Rooke Meditation Chapel
Noon

Women's Lacrosse vs. Niagara
Bucknell West Fields
1 p.m.

Women's Basketball vs. Colgate
Sojka Pavilion
1 p.m.

Men's Basketball vs. Colgate
Sojka Pavilion
3:15 p.m.

Catholic Mass
Rooke Chapel
4 p.m.

The Lyric Consort
Weis Music Building Recital Hall
7:30 p.m.

Poetry Reading: Women's View
Bucknell Hall
8 p.m.

Catholic Mass
Larison Dining Hall
10 p.m.

March 3 MON

Zen Meditation
Rooke Meditation Chapel
4 p.m.

Thirty-Hour Famine Hunger Banquet
Buttery & Terrace Rooms
5:30 p.m.

Science, Technology & Society Colloquia Series: Arjun Makhijani
Willard Smith Library
7:30 p.m.

Women & Gender Film Series: "Womb War"
Gallery Theatre
7:30 p.m.

Yoga
Walls Board Room (LC 213)
8 p.m.

Lynn Eustis '87
Weis Music Building Recital Hall
8 p.m.

Reading of the "Lysistrata"
LC Forum
8 p.m.

BRIDGE 101
Offered daily
CDC
Noon

March 4 TUE

International Women's Day Luncheon
Center Room (LC 256)
Noon

Audio Conference: "Terrorist Targets"
LC 246
2 p.m.

Poetry Reading: Marilyn Mumford & Susan Fox-Rogers
Walls Board Room (LC 213)
4:30 p.m.

Making the Most of Teacher Job Fairs
LC Forum
5 p.m.

Rogers & Pinegar Reading
Bucknell Hall
6 p.m.

Turkish Coffee Night
Taylor Hall Lounge
8 p.m.

Central Pennsylvania Symphony Woodwind Quartet
Weis Music Building Recital Hall
8 p.m.

Lecture: Andrea Cooper
Weis Center
8 p.m.

March 5 WED

Qigong Classes
Walls Board Room (LC 213)
8 a.m.

Ash Wednesday Service
Rooke Chapel
12, 5 & 10 p.m.

Agnes Denes
Samek Art Gallery
Projects for Public Spaces
Jan. 24 to April 6

Wacky Wednesdays
Taylor Hall Lounge
10 p.m.

"Van Wilder"
Vaughan Lit. Auditorium
10:30 p.m.

Internships 101
Every Tuesday (Noon) and Wednesday (3:30 p.m.)
CDC

March 6 THU

Culture Couture
LC 217
Noon

The Lyric Consort
Weis Music Building Recital Hall
Noon

Women's Sport Luncheon
Scullery & Center Rooms (LC 233 & 256)
Noon

Third World Film Series: "Long Night's Journey Into Day"
Coleman 151
4 & 7 p.m.

Science, Technology & Society Colloquia Series
Gallery Theatre
7:30 p.m.

Lecture: Professor of Oceanography John Delaney, University of Wash.
Rooke Chemistry 116
8 p.m.

"the well"
Walls Board Room (LC 213)
8:30 p.m.

The information on these events is subject to change. Some events are open to members of an organization only.

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News

Daniel Flynn lectures on left-wing America

By Jeff Day
Staff Writer

Daniel Flynn, author of "Why the Left Hates America," lectured to a crowd of more than 90 students and faculty members Feb. 20. As a part of a lectureship group that is operated by the Young America's Foundation, Flynn passed up an opportunity to appear on "The Donohue Show" in order to speak at the University.

Flynn began his speech by stressing the important distinction between the "left" and "liberals/democrats." Flynn said that the left makes up no more than 10 percent of the population, but unfortunately has massive cultural influence through both entertainment and education.

"One institution in this country that the left certainly dominates is higher education," Flynn said. "The diversity of most administrations looks like the United Nations, but thinks like a San Francisco coffeehouse."

He emphasized that colleges shield people from a wide variety of opinions, and such campuses view diversity as a serious threat.

"We are all tolerant of ideas we agree with. The test of tolerance is to accept those views that don't agree with your own," Flynn said.

Much of his speech accentuated the topic of his book.

Flynn believes that the left unfairly compares America's culture to that of an ideal.

"Strive for ideals, but to hold America up to Utopia is an unfair basis for comparison," Flynn said.

Flynn said that much of the problem was a lack of understanding about U.S. history by leftists. This, accompanied by an even great misunderstanding of other nations' cultures further causes the left to despise American ways and means. While we [conservatives] see the stars and stripes he said, the left sees a sickle and hammer.

Unlike other nations that support honor killings, trial by ideal and place outrageous burdens on prosecutors in court proceedings, the United States is a much different culture.

"When you look at the good, the bad and the ugly, the U.S. looks pretty great," Flynn said. "I've never seen anyone getting shot going East over the Berlin Wall, and I've never seen anyone going to Miami and get in a raft to risk their life going to Cuba."

Instead, America is home to many inventions that have changed the course of history, including the airplane, space shuttle, lightbulb, Internet and computer, among countless other examples. The United States has donated over $600 billion to foreign countries since the end of World War II, and is home to 45 of the Medical Noble Prize winners in the last 60 years, Flynn said.

"When American ingenuity creates, everyone benefits," Flynn said.

Flynn concluded his speech by quoting Jean Kirkpatrick.

"American's need to face the truth about themselves, no matter how pleasant that truth is," Flynn said.

Denise Chaykun, president of the Bucknell University Conservatives Club (BUCC), expressed her approval of Flynn's speech.

"I was thrilled by our turnout and the people there seemed interested and he seemed to hold their attention," Chaykun said.

BUCC is working to bring several other speakers to campus. According to Chaykun, Ben Stein, Miss America and Executive Vice President of the NRA Wayne LaPierre are all candidates that BUCC hopes to be able to bring to campus.

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include joint academic and student-life programming, assessing the current orientation program and modifying as appropriate, clearly explaining student-development expectations, continuing to implement both the 10-Point Plan to Reduce Alcohol Abuse and the Plan for Prominence in Fraternity and Sorority Affairs, and developing and implementing Long-Range Plans for Religious Life, Athletics and Recreations, and Career Development Center (CDC).

Pollock said that Issue 2: Personal Engagement will make sure that all students have the opportunity to feel connected to the University. To achieve this, the document calls for the strengthening of the Residential Colleges and possibly making a "vertical" Residential College that would continue for multiple years of housing options. It also calls for more student-faculty interaction socially, as in attending lectures or programs together outside of the classroom setting.

Issue 3: Diversity's Benefits to Learning discusses the importance of an educational process in which students are exposed to students with different backgrounds and thoughts.

"Diversity is a critical issue for providing the fullest possible education," Pollock said.

This section calls for mutual selection of mentors. Pollock differentiated between a mentor and an adviser. He said a mentor combines the role model, adviser, counselor and colleague.

"The mentor would end up being someone whose research a student is engaged. Rather than assigning an advisor to a student, be proactive to create situations and interaction that isn't always focused on a particular course—form a bond," Pollock said.

Initiatives under Issue 3 include enhancing Multicultural Affairs, International Student Services, LGBT Awareness, the Chaplains and Religious Life and the Women's Resource Center programming.

Issue 4 discusses leadership on campus and establishes the goal to "make students' preparation for leadership a hallmark of Bucknell, one actively supported by both student life and academic programs."

Pollock clarified that leadership as used in the document is not a specific role or position.

To promote leadership, the draft calls for an active student role in decision making, developing a leadership program and assisting with student-driven projects.

The last issue in the document is the importance of setting, which discusses the residential nature of the University and its role in the greater Lewisburg community. One proposal includes new student union building.

Aziz Megji '03 sits on the Student Life and Culture Task Force. He felt that the new student union was an important piece of student input that could be seen in the document.

"The student union initiative is a great step to providing increased interaction amongst diverse groups on campus, and providing a social outlet," Megji said.

University Chaplain and member of the Student Life and Culture Task Force Ian Oliver agrees with Megji that the possible student union building would be an asset to the campus.

"I am very excited about the Student Life and Culture's plans for a possible 'student union' building on campus. Having worked on campuses where there was a central building with open gathering places for students, a variety of social spaces and offices for student groups, I think this would be a great addition to our campus," Oliver said.

Megji was one of three students who served on the task force. Jessica Briski '04 and Abbey Seaboyer '04 both sat on the task force for a semester before going to study abroad. Pollock feels that the students gave valuable input during the drafting of the document.

Other members of the task force, including Dean of Students Richard Ferraro, agreed with Pollock.

"I appreciated the students' work, and I feel that they were very conscientious," Ferraro said.

Megji feels that the students were listened to and had input into the draft that was released, which can be seen in initiatives such as the student union, more diverse social offerings and incentives to encourage faculty involvement in student life.

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> **—Charles Pollock '70, vice President of Student Affairs**

The other members of the task force include Associate Dean of Students Gerald Commerford, Director of Career Development Laura Denbow, Associate Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering, Director of Athletics John Hardt and Associate Professor of Education Joseph Murray.

The document released to the University community has already undergone some editing. BSG President Katy Timer '04 said that six individuals met, marked areas that needed improvement and brought suggestions before BSG. These students include Timer, Vice President of Administration Jen Pusty '05, Vice President of Finance John Gray '04, Vice President of Operations Jack Phillips '04, Senior Class President Laura Day and Duff Weber '05. BSG had been allotted four student seats at the Vision 2010 Meetings but Timer and Pusty were unable to make the meetings, so Day and Weber sat in to ensure that students received the full representation allowed them.

Timer said that BSG was successful in passing the changes they made.

"The most important thing is that we were able to make changes and get each one voted on and supported by BSG. Sixteen of the changes made were approved by congress," Timer said.

A highly debated topic is off-campus living. Vision 2010 calls for another survey regarding the conditions of downtown living in the next 2-3 years. It will gather both student and community opinions. The situation will be re-evaluated in 2006, according to Timer, and the last survey indicated that the situation had improved in the past two years.

"We would like the decision to go through BSG and have that support. We also put in a referendum to the whole student body so that it's not just a BSG decision, since students are able to answer whether or not they want to live downtown. This way the University will know how the students feel about the issue," Timer said.

Ferraro agreed that it was important to get student opinion on the issue and allayed the fears of students after hearing about the possible ending of off-campus living.

"The fear a lot of students have about being called back to campus is not going to eventuate, at least not in the near-term, and if things remained improved downtown, it may never happen," Ferraro said.

He did say that if students are to vote in a referendum about off-campus living, it would be important to have full disclosure of what other alternatives for housing would be available.

BSG has also added a request for a student voting member on the Board of Trustees. Timer said that this is not a new idea—it had come up a few years ago, but nothing had come of it.

"When we discussed the student affairs section, we felt it would be a good time and place to put it in. Most likely, the student would never change a vote, but it's important for the student's point of view to be represented on the Board of Trustees. The trustees really are interested in what students think," Timer said.

Rogers agrees with Timer and BSG.

"I've been at a place where there was a student on the Board of Trustees, and it seemed to work well. It was a good thing because the student perspective was available even behind closed doors, and it was good to have that voice when the board was voting," Rogers said.

Pollock also felt that the student voting member was a good idea. He said that this would require a rewriting of the University bylaws. It also raises some questions regarding other groups, such as the faculty, that also have interest at stake with the board's decisions.

Ferraro disagrees with a student voting member, preferring a non-voting student on the Board of Trustees.

"I personally think there is a lot to say for having a non-voting student member of the board. I think it would have a symbolic importance and promote student voices. It is consistent with the other processes the University follows in keeping students involved in decision making," Ferraro said.

Another request from BSG is to add a provision requiring the University to update technology, providing cable television to dorm rooms to keep students better aware of world events, and also to improve the swipe card system to include laundry, vending and copy machines. BSG feels this is a reasonable request, even more so because the swipe card system is scheduled to be redone in the summer 2004. Phillips said that these are improvements that will keep the University competitive.

"BSG is pushing hard for technological advancements. We are committed to pushing topics such as cable in dorm rooms and more robust swipe cards to the foreground in talks about Vision 2010," Phillips said.

BSG also made changes that affected the tone of the document. Timer and other students, comprising a mixture of both Greek and independent students, felt that there was a negative connotation surrounding the depiction of fraternities and sororities.

"While we would like to for the plan to expand outside the Greek system, it's important to recognize that the system is a big part of the University and to keep working on it, not to let it not be an important part of the University," Timer said.

Pollock, Rogers and Ferraro said that any wording that appeared to be anti-fraternity and sorority life was unintentional.

"The plan needs to be revisited with an ear for the tone," Pollock said. "The effort of the task force was to not avoid what needs to be altered as well as what needs to be maintained at the University. The Greek community has part in both. It was not the intent of the task force to include anything in this plan that is not in the Plan for Prominence in Fraternity and Sorority Affairs."

BSG also put in provisions about honor and speech codes.

"We made clarifications about an honor and speech code so that if changes are made, they don't come from the wording of the document because we were uncertain as to the meaning in the text," Timer said.

Ferraro and Pollock agreed that the University would strive for a balance between civility and freedom of speech.

"I've always believed that you have to reconcile freedom of speech with civility. The balance that you want to achieve, when the right combination is found, allows for free speech in its fullest," Ferraro said.

Pollock said that while an honor code was discussed during the drafting of the document, one is not placed in the text and there is no provision preventing an honor code from being developed.

"The Student Life and Culture Plan is neither calling for nor ruling out an honor code. It would be a possible manifestation of this objective of having students feel more responsible for one another and their conduct, reducing the degree to which the University regulates students. It's not necessary as a means of achieving it, but it is one possibility," Pollock said.

The draft is available on the Internet for students, faculty and staff to view. The task force would appreciate any feedback from individuals regarding changes or criticisms.

Pollock commends the task force for its hard work throughout the drafting process.

"It's been a process that has evolved over time—not just the substance of the plan, but the process itself. I think the task force has adapted well to changes in the process and has produced every bit as much as I had hoped for in terms of good vision for student life at Bucknell," Pollock said. "There's a great deal of material there for the bridging of the academic experience that students have and the student life experience, for creating a more seamless experience where learning doesn't occur in compartments."

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Senior Nights to continue with alcohol restrictions

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of a catalyst than the cause for the deanery reviewing the issue," Senior Class President Laura Day said.

On Tuesday morning, the senior class officers met with administrators with a proposal to increase safety at Senior Nights. They proposal included reinforcing the rule of not allowing intoxicated students to take part in Senior Night and only allowing beer and bottled drinks to be served by the bars in order to ensure more moderate drinking.

Another option is to have a University employee work the event, instead of having only BSG representatives oversee Senior Night.

Dan Flatley '03 was checking identifications at the door when he noticed the student being supported by two friends. He then made the call for an ambulance to come at around 1 a.m.

"I'm proud with how Dan handled the situation. I feel that the student representatives handled the situation very maturely and with the utmost judgment," Day said. "I was proud that they placed the student's health as the No. 1 priority."

The counsel will decide by next week about the future of Senior Night. If it continues, the next event will be held March 20.

Senior Night is an event that normally takes place on Thursday nights from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Throughout the course of then evening, buses transport 375-500 seniors back and forth between the event and campus. Although there have been seven Senior Nights so far this year, the most recent one was the first requiring an ambulance call.

"It would be a shame to let the actions of one individual serve as a detriment to the whole class," Day said. "For the most part, Senior Night provides class spirit and camaraderie and if we could make Senior Night a moderate drinking experience, it should be allowed to continue."

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President Rogers proposes plans for University's future

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other than our own culture," Rogers said.

Bowen believes civic engagement is important because the University needs to prepare well-educated people who are able to help society meet the tremendous challenges ahead.

"Surveys show an increased interest in civic engagement. Students feel that they need to be engaged, but often report that they don't know how to get there. Higher education has the opportunity to meet this educational need, and I believe that no one can do it better," Bowen said.

Another area that this white paper seeks to improve is faculty courseloads. According to the paper, teaching loads need to be reduced to make more faculty time available for support of student learning using the best pedagogies, many of which are focused on faculty support of students outside traditional classroom environments.

Bowen thinks that the way the University teaches has already changed and evolved.

"There is no college or university anywhere that has better teaching than Bucknell," Bowen said. "What hasn't changed rapidly enough is the support for our faculty in sustaining that high level of accomplishment. We want to reduce the course load so faculty can spend more time with students."

George Exner, associate professor of mathematics and chair of the Committee on Instruction, feels a reduced course load is essential.

"If we expect to compete with other institutions, either in how we can teach or in our recruitment of faculty, we can't be that out of step in course load terms," Exner said. "But this reduction can't be oversold: it won't both relieve time pressures on faculty and simultaneously allow faculty to take on new tasks."

As an individual faculty member, Exner thinks that this plan lacks a clear statement that academics are centrally important at the University.

"Lots of good things happen at Bucknell that are educative. You probably fell in love here ... Perhaps you had leadership opportunities in one, or many, things. Perhaps you paid the consequences for procrastination. Probably you made lifelong friends," Exner said. "All of these are undoubtedly educative; are all of these things Bucknell's mission? ... And even if so, are all forms of education equally central to Bucknell's mission? No. There is only one thing we are really expert at: academic education."

Student Affairs Task Force Report

This white paper states that the "vision for student life and culture at the University has one overarching objective: that every student be deeply involved in his or her own education and personal development."

"The overarching idea is that of deep involvement in one's own education—personal, active engagement rather than the passive consumption of ideas," Vice President for Student Affairs Charles Pollock '70 said.

(See separate Student Affairs Task Force Report article on A1 for more detailed information.)

Enrollment Management Task Force Report

According to Vice President for Enrollment Management Kurt Thiede, the Enrollment Management Task Force Report supports what comes out of the academic and student life plans because they set the stage for the future of the University.

"We need to define what the institution values in students and then go out and recruit students who best represent those values," Thiede said.

In order to achieve these goals, Thiede finds it important to look at what the student marketplace will be like in the future.

One way that the University plans to accommodate the future is to increase the selectivity of the admissions process. For example, this year the University accepted approximately 39 percent of applicants. The goal is to decrease that to 30 percent by 2010.

"If we increase selectivity, we can stay competitive within the student marketplace. Greater selectivity will allow us to maintain a high level of student quality in those times when we might receive fewer applications for admission," Thiede said.

With increased selectivity, the University also looks to diversify the student body, particularly in the area of multicultural diversity. By 2010, the University aims to increase the racial diversity of the entire student body from 12 percent to 22 percent.

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> ***—Stephen Bowen,** provost/vice president for academic affairs*

Laura Day, Class of 2003 president and former Admissions intern, believes the Enrollement Management Task Force is a specific tactical approach to increasing diversity, especially multicultural diversity.

"I think this initiative is vital to the future success of Bucknell as a rural, residential, liberal arts institution. More specifically, increasing multicultural diversity on campus is crucial to the intellectual, cultural and emotional growth of students," Day said. "Employers also are increasingly looking to hire students with diverse backgrounds and educational experiences. Most importantly, in our post-Sept. 11 world, fostering not only tolerance but deeper levels of understanding, of diverse cultures, ethnicities and religions, is no longer a goal, but a necessity."

The University hopes to diversify the student body, and at the same time, it also wishes to increase the diversity of the faculty. According to Thiede, in order to increase diversity among students, the University needs a faculty and staff that is likewise diverse in many ways.

"If we are to increase diversity within Bucknell's workforce, we need to think beyond the traditional forms of faculty and staff recruitment and hiring. We need to identify students who have strong potential to develop professionally in higher education and find ways to nurture this interest—even to the point of developing support for their continued education and training in exchange for a commitment to work at Bucknell for a given amount of time," Thiede said.

Another goal expressed in this white paper is to "maximize the impact and influence of 'telling the Bucknell story' through a comprehensive and integrated plan of marketing communications and media relations."

According to Thiede, the University can improve this area by becoming more Web-centric in communications and telling the story in a less static way than it does now.

"It's important that prospective students when visiting the campus can grab a copy of *The Bucknellian*, along with a copy of *The Counterweight*, and gain an understanding of the discourse that takes place here; it's not just marketing pamphlets that are useful in communicating the story of the University," Thiede said.

This plan also looks at an increased retention rate: "Improvement in this area can only strengthen the institution's enrollment and increase the opportunities for greater ongoing alumni participation in the life of Bucknell."

"Until we are at a retention rate of 100 percent, I'm not going to be totally satisfied," Thiede said.

Finance and Administration Task Force Report

The main goal illustrated in this portion is "to assist all of the University's constituencies in providing stewardship of the University's resources."

This draft deals with the Division of Finance and Administration's specific areas of responsibility: Financial Services, Auxiliary Services, Personnel Services and Facilities. According to Interim Vice President of Finance and Administration David Surgala, each of these areas provide valuable support services to students, parents, faculty, staff, alumni and trustees. For example, Auxiliary Services impacts students daily.

"No day goes by without the campus community interacting with the Bookstore, Dining Services, RICS (scheduling), Purchasing or Administrative Services (the mailroom and printing operations)," Surgala said.

According to Surgala, the impact of both Personnel Services and Facilities can be long-term.

"Personnel Services is involved in staffing and career planning for the University's organization as well as administering the benefit programs for all participants. Facilities addresses daily issues such as snowstorms and routine maintenance, but also oversees new building construction and Bucknell's overall physical landscape," Surgala said.

Surgala also thinks the human resources aspect of this white paper is important.

"Any organization is first and foremost its people. While people need good and sustainable physical resources to assist them, it is the interaction of individuals that make the world interesting and hopefully better," Surgala said. "The prominence of Personnel Services and Human Resources in this white paper recognizes the importance of the contributions of the people associated with Bucknell and the need to pro-actively address issues that affect the lives of individuals associated with the University."

Professor of Geography and Environmental Studies Ben Marsh, who served on a Finance and Administration strategic subcommittee, questions what is missing from the document.

"There is no serious look at how we'll be paying the bills over the next decade without pricing out the good students whom we wish to serve," Marsh said.

Surgala notes that this current paper deals with the Division of Finance and Administration's departmental items and is not an overall "Bucknell University Strategic Financial Plan."

"The more overarching Financial Plan addressing all of Vision 2010 will be created over the summer as individual departmental efforts are clarified, intertwined and prioritized by the campus community," Surgala said.

University Relations Task Force

The University Relations Task Force part of Vision 2010 will be revealed to the campus community shortly.

According to Vice President for Development and University Relations Robert Kallin, this division has three main objectives: to enhance the University's reputation, to develop and strengthen lifelong relationships with our constituents (i.e. alumni, parents and friends) and to secure the resources needed to address immediate and future institutional priorities.

What's next?

Now that the white papers are released to the campus, the governance committees are waiting for responses from the campus community.

"There are huge challenges with doing any kind of institutional planning in which you want every constituency to be represented and play a role. A particular challenge is that every group has high aspirations for Bucknell. We have worked hard to create a campus-wide discussion in which ideas from each constituency are heard and considered. From that pool of ideas, we have to assemble a coherent plan that reflects our shared aspirations and effectively helps us focus on shared goals and priorities," Bowen said.

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Delta Delta Delta sponsors rape forum

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to Bromfield, preponderance of evidence means that if "the scale of justice tips toward the accuser, that person has won his or her case."

Conrad recommended that students speak with their parents, whether the student is the accused party or the survivor.

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> ***—Kari Conrad,** judicial advocate for sexual assault*

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Ferraro spoke about expulsion from the University.

"A person who commits rape breaks a contract with the community and we require them to be removed from the University," Ferraro said. "Expulsion is not easy or nice. I know leaving is not pleasant but Bucknell follows a punitive policy, so persons required to leave can transfer. The whole idea is that this is an educational process, not a legal process."

The information session presented by Conrad, Ferraro and Bromfield was followed by a question and answer session for students.

One student asked why there is not a resource center for men on campus. Ferraro said this is a possibility that is being looked at for next year.

Following the question and answer session, Interim Director of the Women's Resource Center Mary Snyder, graduate student Katie Parker and Public Safety Officer Don Wirick spoke about the One in Four program at the University.

The One in Four program's video was also presented, which was about men and sexual assault. The video is presented to allow men to feel empathy for those who are sexually assaulted.

"We don't as men, as a role, consciously think about being sexually assaulted. It is not part of our culture to be concerned about this. As a result, we have a hard time finding empathy," Wirick said.

Two softball players seriously injured

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mage against Bloomsburg University. As they were carrying it, the cage somehow moved and fell on top of Porter and Sarnecky, pinning them to the ground and breaking Porter's femur and Sarnecky's vertebrae. The coaches and on-site trainers immediately contacted the appropriate emergency resources and the two were rushed to the hospital.

The reason for the collapse of the cage is unknown.

"The piece of equipment involved in this unfortunate accident has been used safely without incident by the athletics and recreation program since 1989," Hardt said. "This is the first time any accident or injury involving the equipment has occurred."

Teammates of Porter and Sarnecky have come together and given their support during the trying time.

"I couldn't have asked for anything better," Sarnecky said. "They were all there in the hospital with me and they brought dinner to my family. I'm so thankful for their help."

The University echoes the players' sentiments in offering the women a healthy recovery.

"This accident is deeply troubling to all of us in the department and particularly to the coaches and teammates of the two injured athletes," Hardt said. "At this time, we all continue our efforts to reach out and support the injured athletes and their families."

The softball team must now find a way to persevere despite the loss of star pitcher, Porter, and outfielder, Sarnecky. The season will officially begin after spring break.

"It's taking us awhile to get into playing again," shortstop Jenny Ross '05 said. "But we've been getting a lot better every day. Being friends off the field really helps us with dealing with this."

Softball is not the primary concern of the team right now, as the players just want to see a good recovery for their teammates.

> *"Everyone has bonded together in a really positive way. We've really come together as a team to give them our support."*
>
> ***—Angela Stackhouse** '04*

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Sarnecky hopes that the doctor will allow her to travel during spring break to Florida, where the team will be preparing for the upcoming season. Although she won't be able to play, she has remained optimistic.

"It's disappointing that I'm going to miss my first year," she said. "But at least I'm going to be able to play in the future."

Porter was unavailable to comment.

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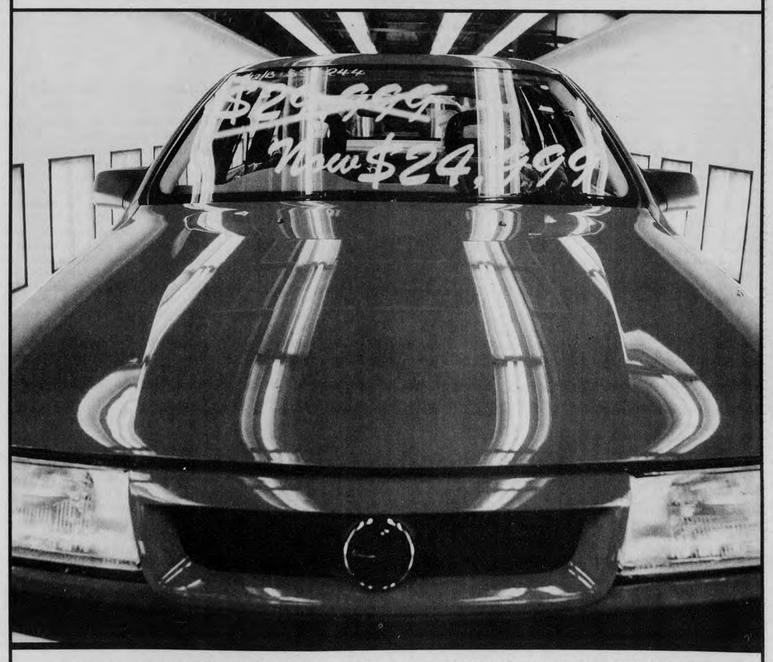

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The Bucknellian Editorial

History 101: learning from the past to prepare for the future

More than two years after University President Steffen Rogers' inaugural address to the University, the first indication that his strategic plan, entitled Vision 2010, was well on its way to fruition came with the recent release of the Vision 2010 white papers.

The primary drafts of the academic affairs, student affairs, finance and administration and enrollment management documents have been released for public consumption with the hope that the University community will provide feedback and suggestions for constructive change. The University relations document is expected to be completed within a week.

The strategic planning process is not a new undertaking for the University. In 1990, under former University President Gary Sojka, the Trustee Implementation Planning (TIP) initiative focused itself on five aspects of student life: changes in the Greek system, residential changes, social changes, the first-year student experience and the residency requirement.

The TIP steering task force was composed largely of students and led by the executive officers of the Bucknell Student Government, resulting in dissent among faculty members who believed that such a undertaking was beyond the scope of the abilities of students.

According to earlier *Bucknellian* articles, fewer than 10 faculty members attended a TIP task force workshop that 83 members of the community attended.

Despite the doubts of faculty, many of the goals outlined by the TIP task force were implemented and continue to benefit student life at the University more than a decade later. These include establishing a formal rush for Greek organizations during sophomore year and renovating the Old Bison into a social activities center (currently the 7th Street Café, the Craft Center and the Niche).

In a 1990 *Bucknellian* article, Sojka described the TIP task force as "an extraordinary opportunity ... an opportunity not to get by, not to smooth things out, not to take care of business ... but an opportunity to make Bucknell a university for other universities to emulate."

In fact, other national universities aiming to model the social and residential programs that the University implemented studied the final TIP document.

Now, the University is once again trying to plan for the future, only on a much larger scale, by including all aspects of University life. The administration and task forces are once again giving students the opportunity to actively contribute to the future of the University, but, according to Rogers, he has received Vision 2010 input from various student groups, but little from individuals.

Without student participation on the TIP task force and steering committee, many aspects of student life that we take advantage of daily would not exist. Students who dedicated their time to the TIP task force knew that they would not likely experience the implementation of their efforts as undergraduates of the University, but they gave their time and ideas to enhance the University experience for future students.

We, as students, are currently in the same position. The University administration is asking for our input on Vision 2010, and although we may no longer be students at the University when the plan is fully implemented, we will still return to campus for Homecoming, class reunions and maybe even to show our children the campus. We have reaped the benefits of the efforts of those students who have gone before us, and now it is up to us to similarly give to future students of the University by engaging in the Vision 2010 revision process.

Letters *to the editor*

Complexity escapes petitioners

To the Editor:

I am writing in response to the Bucknell Conservatives Club's recent efforts to urge University President Steffen Rogers and Chief Financial Officer David Surgala to stop supporting terrorist nations. In its farfetched petition, which it distributed around campus, the club described how the University administration is supporting terrorism by holding stocks in companies that "have corporate ties to U.S. State Department-designated terrorist sponsoring nations." The signatories also agreed that they strongly believed that these investments enabled the governments of these countries to "provide safe haven, training facilities, communications, and information technology infrastructure, weapons, political cover and funding for [terrorist groups]." First of all, who on the University campus has enough information to make that assumption? Even the national government could not prove that these states were deliberately heading terrorist organizations.

Secondly, the petition provides no definition for corporate ties. As stated in the petition, it seems that every corporation in our country would somehow have ties to countries known to harbor terrorists. Iraq, for example, is a member of OPEC, from which we obtain oil. Certainly, there are no corporations that do not use energy. Under this logic, should not the University also discontinue the use of energy so as to be ethical? Surely the members of the Conservatives Club would not want give up most of the benefits of modern technology.

I do not support terrorism, nor do I want to, in any way, facilitate its existence. However, the fact stands that our world is vastly interconnected, making it impossible to initiate any kind of economic boycott on firms in which the University endowment is invested. I also believe that the Conservatives Club used emotional rhetoric to convince students to sign this petition without providing any sufficient arguments in its support. An e-mail sent out by the club made the claim in large bold letters that students could "help stop terrorism by signing [this petition]."

Let us, as Americans, continue the war on terrorism. But, let us do so with educated decisions and rational methods. Maybe the Conservatives Club can come up with another way to stop terrorism whose goal is not simply to make the University administration look bad, but rather to actually help bring about an end to this horrible cause.

Sincerely,
David Seal '06

Student's insight into "women-only spaces"

To the Editor:

The recent editorial on women-only spaces was insightful, intelligent and eloquent. Both authors were well spoken and sincere. However, I was surprised to see a piece on women-only spaces that failed to deal with the opinion of anyone who had ever actually been in such a space. So I figured I'd throw in my two cents.

Empowerment through community is one of the most valuable tools used in feminist consciousness raising efforts. When men are present, however supportive and wonderful they may be, female energy will be directed towards the male. I've seen it happen far too many times. It has nothing to do with individuals—it's simply how we've been taught to behave. I have every hope that we will come to the point at which women-only spaces will be unnecessary and inappropriate, but we have pretty far to go before that's a reality. At this point, women-only spaces represent a level playing field. Women can learn about each other. Support each other. Celebrate their bodies together. Women-only spaces allow women to explore their places in the feminist movement in an atmosphere that is designed to foster the free exchange of ideas by removing the social implications of gender.

I'm not supporting gender segregation. I don't think that classrooms should be divided. I don't think that male and female communities are by their nature mutually exclusive. Men and women should be able to do anything and everything together, but at this point in our cultural evolution men and women need a little time apart to deconstruct the ways in which gender influences behavior.

In my idea of a perfect world, there will be no need to consider gender. People will love who they love, they'll talk with whomever they wish about whatever they wish, they'll think fantastic new ideas and express these ideas without fear. They'll love free and die fulfilled. There will be no need to consider gender because it will not exist the way it does for us now. But until then, women need time together away from the inescapable and invisible rules of gendered interaction. We need to hold each other up. Only when a woman's desire to be alone is fully and profoundly respected will we see any kind of realization of a feminist vision that liberates men and women from harmful patriarchal structures.

Sincerely,
Liisa Britt '04

Women supporting women

To the Editor:

I'm extremely encouraged by the campus discussion about sexual assault and women's only spaces. However, I am discouraged that anyone on campus, let alone a representative of the Women's Resource Center, has given credence to any claim of men being falsely accused of rape. This acknowledgement, expressed in last week's issue of *The Bucknellian* as, "Even though there's a concern for false accusations ..." suggests an underlying prejudice against women and a misogynist, antifeminist approach toward victim advocacy. It is the primary obligation of feminist advocates to consistently denounce such claims and to be concerned only with believing the survivor. Acknowledging these claims, in any way, is antifeminist and harmful to women.

Reducing antiviolence work to victim advocacy and appeals to the humanity of men cannot effect the elimination of sexist violence.

It is probable that men who make these claims sincerely believe that a rape hasn't occurred. This is evidenced by virtually all of the studies on the topic of sexual assault. An alarming number of men in our culture believe that many types of offensive behavior, including those legally and morally defined as sexual assault, are normal and acceptable. Do these perceptions mean they are innocent? No! This ubiquitous sense of male entitlement means that advocates must be even more uncompromising and insistent that victims are always believed. Women are not a class of vindictive revenge-seekers. Reporting rape is extremely difficult! It becomes impossible when "feminists" give legitimacy to claims of false accusation.

The undermining of feminism and the antiviolence movement comes, not as much from its opposition, but from the influence that opposition has on the movement itself. To rid ourselves of dominant, reactionary modes of thinking must be a priority. Many say, "Rape won't stop until men stop raping." True! This statement puts the responsibility where it belongs. However, it denies the reality of institutional and systematic oppression. Men won't stop raping until women are no longer oppressed! Reducing antiviolence work to victim advocacy and appeals to the humanity of men cannot effect the elimination of sexist violence. Even so, some well-intentioned men (and women) call for the renaissance of male chivalry (i.e. an expression of paternal male dominance).

Only an autonomous movement of women, with a clearly focused leadership and agenda, can overturn patriarchy. Autonomy isn't simply, as Phil Martoma asserts, a "shelter from the forces which disadvantage [women]." Autonomy is a catalyst for developing our own power and experience. It is a prerequisite for women's liberation, ending oppression—and ultimately—for ending violence.

Laura Kamienski
CardioKicks! Fitness Kickboxing Instructor

Thank you to University band

To the Editor:

A great big "thank you" goes out to members of the Bucknell Band for making the trip to Army last Sunday. It was exciting for our program to come out of the tunnel and hear the cheers of the "Orange and Blue" on our opponent's floor. You certainly played a hand in helping us secure a tough victory on the road. Thanks again for all your support and enthusiasm.

Sincerely,
Men's basketball staff and players

Professor Watson responds to student's letter to the editor

To the Editor:

Brian Bialas '04 accused me of calling Secretary of State Colin Powell a "slave" during my presentation at the Feb. 13 campus forum on Iraq. Here is what I read from my prepared text:

"Based on the findings of UNSCOM (United Nations Special Committee) it would be hard to believe the assertions Powell made at the U.N. Powell symbolizes how the culture of oppression can instill in certain victims of racial oppression a propensity to lie for motives that are grounded in infamy when the price is right. Powell is following the biddnig of his master."

It does not surprise me that Bialas finds "Watson's words are racist pure and simple." My understanding of the fact that racism helps me to understand why Bialas equates the term "master" to "racial epithets" in a relationship between a white president and a black secretary of state. Of course, the term master implies a relationship of inequality such as master-slave, master-servant and master journeyman-apprentice. Are not all members of George Bush's Cabinet his subordinates?

Perhaps I am guilty of disturbing the multicultural, pluralistic, democratic culture that Bialas embraces. Apparently, I don't appreciate that Powell symbolizes the end of racial hierarchy and the realization of multicultural diversity. Surely, it must be beneath the dignity of a professor who meets the "standard required of a Bucknell faculty member" to exhume the ghost of the master-slave relationship that was interred when the last nail was driven into the coffin of racism!

Bialas asks, "Would he have used the same characterization if a black secretary of state working in the Clinton Administration were to present the same evidence. I think not." Bialas deciphers my political sympathies for the Democratic Party by deconstructing the term master and my criticism of Powell. A black professor who criticizes Bush and Powell must be a racist and to boot a Clinton Democrat!

Bialas' logic exposes the cultural basis of his racialized normative assumptions. I think this has to be the basis of his eagerness to connect the quality of my intellect to race. The reality of the contemporary "cultural wars" in the West reveals a growing convergence between the discourse of race (scientific racism) and the neo-liberal discourse of culture. Should I expect Bialas to go against the grain?

Hilbourne A. Watson
Professor of International Relations

Opinions

Forum failed to give all perspectives

By Tom Elliott
Senior Writer

Walking into the recent forum on Iraq, I was immediately confronted with a packed auditorium that overflowed into the aisles and the back. It was good to see such a large number of students who were clearly interested in learning more about the issues at hand. I was not pleased, though, when the forum ended up being an embodiment of everything wrong with higher education today. Instead of different ideas being presented and debated, it was merely a venue where professors were able to preach their thoughts free from any fear of a possible intellectual challenge. The students, consequently, lost out on what could have been a unique opportunity.

It seems very difficult to hold a pro-war stance on campus. Not many professors will espouse such militaristic perspectives in class—if any such "hawkish" opinions actually surface, it tends to be the fruition of a student's input. So far, our University-sponsored forum, which should have presented a variety of stances that transcended both sides of the political spectrum, instead played host to an assortment of anti-war perspectives. Students may find it difficult to watch U.S. President George W. Bush's speeches when most do not have cable. In short, students that have come to adopt pro-Iraq liberation beliefs should be commended, as they're seemingly running against the grain, and most likely formulated their opinions as a product of research done on their own time.

For those who were not in attendance, allow me to briefly summarize. Associate Professor of Political Science Tansa Massoud was the first presenter. He began by explaining the choices were between regime change and containment. He preferred containment. Massoud feels that the United States could not properly handle regime change, that a new government may actually be harmful and that containment was preferable. Massoud, at one point, falsely asserted that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein had never used his weapons of mass destruction in an offensive manner.

Professor of International Relations Hilbourne Watson then gave a more militant Marxist perspective, which essentially illustrated his opinion that this was just a small step in a much larger strategy of American global dominance. (It is of interest that Watson echoed Harry Belafonte's attitude that U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell was a product of racism and oppression; consequently he was now a slave to his master-assumingly because he did not share Watson's political beliefs. While I support his right to say such things, it's discouraging Watson makes narrow-minded racial charges merely because of a difference in opinion.)

Even professors who most people assumed would deliver pro-Bush administration speeches, were instead wobbly, unsure as to the proper course. While they seemed to understand many of the reasons why war was a necessary evil, such ideas were unable to trump the queasiness over dead Americans. The abandonment of the ideal forum—where ideas would be presented concisely and challenged with opposing thoughts-was solidified as all three professors went almost doubled their allotted time.

Students who wanted to hear some Bush administration cheap shots (e.g. "Bush's daddy" and the allusion to him being Powell's puppet master) left quite delighted. Those who had sought to learn more about both sides of the story should have been told to stay home and not waste their time. For the latter type, the rest of this article is for you.

I have been hearing from professors as well as reading in *The New York Times* editorial pages that containment has been and will continue to be effective, which renders military action unnecessary. These people clearly don't understand the nature of this conflict; containment has never been the objective and there's no reason why it should now become the objective. Perhaps some reflection is due.

Hussein came to power in 1979 and shortly after ended his country's negotiated peace with Iran, claiming to own the rights of the river that divides them. This soon resulted in full-scale war, which did not end until 1998, and an estimated one million lives later. Two years later, Hussein decided to invade Kuwait, which he claimed was a part of Iraq (Kuwait had been an Iraqi ally during the previous conflict). After a U.S. led countermeasure with U.N. blessing, Iraqi forces were removed from Kuwait in only six weeks. As Bush said in his recent State of the Union Address, instead of Hussein being the final casualty of that war, he accepted the terms of several U.N. resolutions that were intended to keep his conquering impulses at bay. He obeyed zero of these. Planes enforcing the "no fly zones" were fired upon hundreds of times. Rather than disarm, he instead built up his weapons of mass destruction supply clandestinely, adopting a program of deception. Inspectors were harassed and not treated accommodatingly, until they were finally officially kicked out in 1998. At this point, he also called for an end to the economic sanctions that had been imposed upon his regime. Throughout this decade-long fiasco, if there was one lesson to be learned, it should be that neither diplomacy (which Kofi Annan attempted in '98), sanctions, aid (the food for oil program) or even selective military strikes (by Clinton in 1998) were effective in keeping Hussein down. While the Clinton administration and U.N.'s rhetoric both expressed policies of seriousness in seeing these accords strictly enforced, the actual policies exhibited more of a desire to sweep the whole issue under the rug.

Bush was the first to make clear it was no longer acceptable for these blatant violations of international law to continue unabated, which is, remember, a very dangerous thing. If the United Nations would not back up its own resolutions, America would. Resolution 1441 was passed unanimously by the Security Council, which demanded an active disarmament with thorough inspections. These inspections, by everyone's account—including U.N. Chief Weapons Inspector Hans Blix's—failed. Up to the culmination of the Persian Gulf War, Hussein had not been trying to conquer more territory for two and a half of his 13-year reign.

It is sometimes hard to take most of the anti-war movement seriously; the campaign seems more hell-bent on attacking Bush as a war mongering cowboy rather than achieving peace—if they truly wanted a peaceful solution, they'd be making demands of Hussein, and not just Bush. If they honestly believe greedy oil interests underscored Bush's motivations, I have two questions: Why did we not take over their oil fields after the Persian Gulf War? And, what ever happened to that much-rumored oil pipeline in Afghanistan? As Professor of History Martin Sklar would tell-you, the United States did not formerly commandeer Iraq's oil because we want Iraq to have money, create a stable economy and modernize.

For those claiming this will only destabilize the region, I ask, how could it get any worse? Sometimes I just want to magically transplant some of these anti-war activists from the safe halls of academia to the hellish cities of Iraq, where a sense of doom pervades life, and the only hope of betterment comes at the hands of the American military. Unfortunately, this only partially covers the reasons why most of the peace activists are wrong—I'll have to put off the positives of military intervention for a later piece.

As has been recently observed by moral theorists suggesting this situation complies with Just War Theory, war itself has become so lost as an abstract image of Total Evil that it has consequently lost its meaning as instrument in international judicial analysis. It's in fact quite responsible to think about the possible devastating effects of doing nothing, rather than simply the unavoidable repercussions of military action itself.

Vision 2010 suffers from acute myopia

By Nicole Wiederspiel
Writer

Have you had the time or desire to read the University's Vision 2010? I did. After immersing myself knee-deep in rhetoric and illusions, here is my psychoanalysis of a few parts of the document.

The University is an excellent school, located in the scenic Susquehanna Valley. We are diverse—we have a few people who have the courage to admit they are gay and one student from Mississippi. Lest you think this mission statement suggests sweeping change, we would like to assure you that sweeping change is not necessary. That would be radical, and we all know the dangers of that.

We are a vibrant community where the arts and culture come first. As you can see by our recent construction projects, such as O'Leary or the Sojka Pavilion, arts are our priority. Alumni play a large role in the University—they give us money, which we use cautiously and prudently. After all, figureheads need six figures—it's only fair, and you will surely agree that all garages need air conditioning. We will promote justice for all, although we will carefully choose who receives that privilege. We live in an era of rapid globalization, and we will respond to global crises with our oft-professed commitment to social justice, and our graduates will save the world as a result of our tutelage in the justice arts. We promote social responsibility, and our large level of involvement in such organizations is solid proof of that. We are compassionate—this year we added a conveyor belt to take students' trays away from the caf—now employees don't have to pick them up! We will provide a balanced social life—we will have fraternities and sororities. We will welcome a climate of diverse ideas, as long as they are politically correct and not too radical. Keep your affection for reds to yourself. We are hoping that the Living Wage Campaign will go away, but we plan to ignore it until it does.

We hereby announce an environmental conscience. We will use less Styrofoam, as this will make us stewards of the lovely Susquehanna Valley region. We are very rich (but could be more so) and we plan to eventually buy new land once we destroy this fine piece of real estate we have right here. We won't mention your SUVs that your parents bought you, students—that would be hypocritical, we drive them, too.

We will provide state-of-the-art technology, so good and so advanced that nobody will know how to use it. But that's OK, we have wireless.

We are a community, where everyone knows each other's name, although I am too busy writing this to know yours. We are well-respected by the "outside" community—after all, rural townies add to our diversity and tolerance.

As you can see, we are a wonderful school, and everyone knows it. These goals must be accomplished, so I am sure you will understand when we raise tuition a few percentages every year until 2010. We were founded by the Baptists, and their vision of ethnic, religious and racial homogeneity will be realized. We all share common values; we know this because we know you personally. We are here to nurture your spiritual growth and make you a better person, as our Judeo-Christian values clearly indicate. The University is united for this cause—and your unity is exemplified by your en masse subscriptions to the J.Crew catalogue. With dedication and your money we can make this vision possible, and remember this is not sweeping change—we are nearly perfect as it is.

Bush's actions fail to match his rhetoric

By Erin Switzer
Writer

If you were disappointed that you failed to see U.S. President George W. Bush's State of the Union Address, you can rest assured that you missed nothing more than an oration filled with pointless rhetoric. After examining the speech it is easy to see that it was nothing more than a collection of futile professions, aimed to divert attention away from the deeper issues most Americans really wanted addressed. The speech began with a rather elaborate listing of our accomplishments as a nation over the past four months. Among other examples, the president cited saving the world from thousands of terrorists, destroying Afghanistan's training camps and saving a people from starvation, giving the impression that we have been a magnificent humanitarian power of a world that has never experienced the damaging repercussions of our foreign policy.

"America and Afghanistan are now allies against terror. We will be partners in rebuilding that country," Bush said. Considering that not a single house of the 78,000 destroyed in Afghanistan has been rebuilt with international aid, leaving half a million returning refugees and urban poor in Kabul homeless, makes Bush's statement seem quite inaccurate. Thirty-two hundred families were living in the open in Kabul last summer and 1,400 families were squatting in public buildings, school dormitories, ministry buildings and offices, as reported by a chief technical adviser at the U.N. Habitat to *The New York Times*.

Bush continued, integrating a series of anecdotes of loved ones lost to terrorism that aimed to give a poignant touch to his conviction that our actions are just. Presumably, we would be naive to believe Bush's claim that "we are winning the war on terror" when North Korea has begun its drive towards not only arming itself but sharing either its weapons or technology with Pakistan, Yemen and Iran. Meanwhile, the White House's carefree attitude with regards to the threat posed by North Korea has been accompanied by an effort to keep the nation focused on Iraq, and, in recent events, they failed to alert the public of satellite images that revealed North Korea's attempt to reprocess plutonium. In addition to its standing army of 1,000,000 troops, North Korea has the potential to produce missiles that could threaten South Korea and Japan, while a missile currently in development could reach Alaska and the westernmost Hawaiian islands. The simple fact is that Bush is leading an attack on Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's nuclear arsenal (words he periodically has trouble pronouncing) that has not been proven to exist, while refusing military action to destroy the one suspected at Pyongyang. While Iraq has permitted inspectors access to nuclear sites, North Korea has continually kept secret its nuclear programs, violated agreements and restricted inspectors' access to strategic areas.

Bush's conviction that the conflict in North Korea can be resolved diplomatically seems unconvincingly optimistic. How can we have confidence in his assertions that our country has been not only successful, but justified in its actions, while tapes from Osama bin Laden continue to filter in and efforts to gain unilateral support for a war with Iraq remain unsuccessful? It is hard to think anything other than that this war has just begun—that there are not, nor will be, any "winners" in this war. As a nation we have fueled a sentiment among the unstable governments of less powerful nations that they must build weapons of mass destruction. While, at the same time, our presence has perpetuated a competitive race to see who can produce them the fastest or, in most cases, who can be the first to obtain necessary ingredients on the black market.

Although Bush acknowledges the growing danger of a myriad of terrorist states, he beats around the bush on many issues in his speech. This becomes one of the major faults of his speech. "America will do what is necessary to ensure our nation's security," he proclaims. Besides a budget that "includes the largest increase in defense spending in two decades," something about which we should be wary boasting, Bush fails to address what the imminent war on Iraq will mean. He should have focused more attention on the economic implications for our country after we foot the bill for reconstruction, or if we are indeed prepared and devoted to fully transform a country that has been damaged by a militant zealot, and if this demanding task is even in our jurisdiction.

Bush also fails to address the fears of the family members of troops waiting to be deployed into a country whose capabilities we seem to be quite ambiguous about. Additionally, Bush neglects to propose any plans to reduce our dependence on foreign oil or provide even the simplest incentive to Americans to purchase more environmentally-friendly cars. He gets surprisingly creative at times with figures of speech that depict terrorists "spread throughout the world like ticking time bombs, set to go off without warning." But these artistic tactics do little to strengthen Bush's attempt at a cogent speech. His address became a culmination of bold proclamations in which he avoided the challenge of exposing plans to help accomplish intended goals.

As if his speech could not become any more disappointing, we are lectured on the supposed benefits of his $670 billion tax break. He acknowledges the $30 million a day spent to fight the "war on terror" and goes further to outline his budget to increase defense spending, proclaiming, "Whatever it costs to defend our country, we will pay." Any basic level economics class teaches that if defense spending increases simultaneously as taxes are reduced, a crippling budgetary deficit from which it results is difficult to recover results. Bush claims to want economic security for Americans but admits needing to run a small deficit that he intends will be "short-term so long as Congress restrains spending and acts in a fiscally responsible way." Once again, a futile statement of vague objectives that fails to indicate the practices he will implement to ensure we avoid too much spending beyond our means. Bush intends to run the deficit for the purpose of accomplishing his objectives "to win the war, protect the homeland and revitalize our economy."

Unrealistically, he intends to be the James Bond-type leader who catches the culprit and defuses the bomb in 10 seconds. Does Bush have superhuman powers we are unaware of? It is not solely that his tax plan benefits the wealthy and big business while undermining the middle class, but that the government will be receiving $670 billion less over the next 10 years. We can only envision that our economy will look similar to the way it did after former President George H. W. Bush left office—a debacle. He attempts to disguise the tax cuts that are commonly perceived to be primarily for the wealthy with a $400-per-child rebate and a tripling of the amount small businesses can write off annually for equipment purchases.

Bush does gain a lot of points in terms of the consistency of his contradictory remarks. At one point he remarks, "... To help Americans plan for the future, let's make these tax cuts permanent," but it is then questionable whether in a matter of years an economic recession with an astronomical budget deficit will result. He goes on to say that the tax cut will allow Americans more money to spend, alleviating the current recession. Only a few minutes later, Bush notes that after Sept. 11, "We began to think less of the goods we can accumulate and more about the good we can do." Really? So why would we grant tax cuts to our already consumer-obsessed population so that they can buy even more superfluous paraphernalia? And finally, "We want to be a nation that serves goals larger than self." Ironically, we have exhibited this by pursuing a war against Iraq and building up our arsenal so that no other nation can compete. A speech so unconvincing as this one with an agenda that promotes a severely mismanaged economy and regards military muscularity as a priority, from a man who supports the National Rifle Association and spoke at a university that prohibits inter-racial dating—not surprising!

Implications of a U.N. ovation

By Mike Niebauer
Senior Writer

A majority of the membership of the usually quiet and reserved general assembly session of the United Nations gave the French Foreign Minister a rousing ovation. This was after the minister gave an eloquent and rational case for continuing the arms inspection program in Iraq. Even before Chief U.N. Weapons Inspector Hans Blix gave his report on the inspections program, the Bush White House was in urgent meetings concerning the military buildup in the Persian Gulf. According to BBC reports, that buildup will have the United States and its coalition of countries ready to proceed by mid-March.

The enthusiastic applause for the French minister and an ambiguous report from Blix may force the determined military advisers in the White House to urge the president not to trust in the U.N. resolution process. The overwhelming response from the General Assembly could work against any peaceful outcome at this point. Time and hope for a peaceful solution are quickly running out.

The hope of the White House is to bring about a democracy in Iraq. In a New Yorker article, Nicholas Lemann states that the White House's optimistic scenario is too rosy. "Democracy is a wonderful idea, but none of the countries in the Middle East, except Israel and Turkey, resemble anything that would look like a democracy to Americans," Lemann said. The fragility of the region is only one of many political variables that could ruin whatever U.S. plans exist to install a democracy in Iraq.

How will Saudi Arabia respond to a democratic Iraq as its neighbor? What are the social, political and economic implications of this on the religious fundamentalist clergy of Saudi Arabia and the frustrated youthful population of the House of Saud? These questions and others are not openly discussed in the run up to the oncoming war because the answers are unknowable. Perhaps ideas expressed in these questions and others in the months to come can explain the ovation for the French foreign minister. The seeming discomfort of many in the world with the U.S. obsession with the Iraqi regime change can be explained by the work of a strategist working in Washington.

David Wurmser, a State Department senior official, paints a fearful and sobering picture. Wurmser predicts "bringing down Saddam would have the effect of destabilizing both Syria and Iran." Wurmser is clearly convinced that after Iraqi regime change all these experimental political dominoes will fall in the way he predicts. The Bush administration shows the determination necessary to attempt this plan.

I am reminded of Professor of International Relations Hilbourne Watson's talk at the Iraq political seminar in Rooke. He mentioned that Iraq might be a test that may prove that the national sovereignty of nations may be a thing of the past. Capitalist accumulation and corporate globalization are the reasons and goals of this test. We may be witnessing a reworking of the international global trading system where global capitalism is independent of, if not superior to, the national governments of nations. If this works through the U.S.-inspired pre-emptive strike in Iraq, it could signal that individual national economic and political independence is effectively irrelevant since Iraq has not attacked any nation in this instance. Independent sovereign nations will no longer be whole or functional as in the past because their sovereignty will be compromised. The rules of the international environment would be altered; possibly causing unpredictable amounts of international instability.

It is amazing just how little debate there is in this democracy over the long-term goals or the post-Saddam occupation details in store after the upcoming incursion into Iraq. How easily we decline to debate these strategies and their far-reaching implications in our own democracy. If Wurmser's plans are ready for implementation there is still a lot to talk about.

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U.S. role in Philippine conflict debated

Courtesy of Reuters

U.S. military advisers arrive at the Zamboanga Airport in the Philippines. Military advisers will aid in training Filipino soldiers for possible operations against the Abu Sayyaf militant group. Due to a Philippine law, the role of U.S. forces in an attack against the militant group is still being debated.

By Gretchen Schrock
Business & Politics Editor

The possible introduction of U.S. troops into combat in the Philippines would create a new front in the war on terror. Much controversy has ignited as conflicting statements are released from high-ranking officials in both countries.

Although the Philippine foreign secretary, Blas Ople, denied on Monday that U.S. armed forces would be included in combat operations inside the country's borders, Pentagon officials said last Thursday that nearly 3,000 U.S. Army, Marine and Navy forces, including 350 Special Operations soldiers, would participate in maneuvers against the militant Abu Sayyaf group, primarily on the southern island of Jolo, *The Washington Post* reported.

The U.S. military has been involved in training exercises in the Southern Philippines for the past year, but have not been officially allowed to enter into combat scenarios. The new military operations started on Sunday with 300 American troops training the Philippine army in commando tactics, night-vision flying and intelligence exercises, according to *The New York Times*.

Senior Pentagon officials have said that an explicit agreement exists between Philippine President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo and U.S. Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld concerning the specific roles that the U.S. military will be permitted to assume. Though Arroyo has yet to comment on this possible deployment, she said last year that she believed that combat duties for U.S. troops would be inside the parameters of Philippine law since it will not be a unilateral combat mission by foreign troops, but a joint effort led by the Philippine military.

"As we have stated, the U.S. and Philippine governments have agreed to conduct combined operations in the southern Philippines to disrupt and defeat the Abu Sayyaf group," Lt. Cmdr. Jeff Davis, a Pentagon spokesman, said to *The New York Times*. "These operations will be led by the armed forces of the Philippines with assistance by U.S. forces. We are respectful of our agreements with the Philippine government. We have been closely consulting with them about these operations, and will continue to do so."

Accounts of the U.S. deployment sparked considerable public dissent in the Philippines, causing immediate denials by the government.

"These reports emanate from junior officials who don't know what they are talking about," Ople said to *The New York Times*.

A senior Philippine military official, who requested anonymity, confirmed that the U.S. military would participate in combat operations on Jolo, beside Philippine counterparts, according to *The Washington Post*.

A U.S. military presence in any capacity is a sensitive issue among Philippine officials, who want to decrease their former colonizer's influence. Anti-American nationalism forced the closure of major U.S. bases in the Philippines a decade ago, according to *The New York Times*. The Philippine Constitution forbids the presence of foreign troops or bases unless explicitly outlined in a treaty. In addition, the Philippine Supreme Court recently decided that U.S. troops stationed in the Philippines could shoot only in self-defense.

"There's still this strong undercurrent of nationalism in the Philippines and it dates back to the United States' colonial history with the Filipinos," a Western diplomat said to *The Washington Post*. "Also, there's a sense of standing up to the big brother, to show some spine . . . as they are trying to think of themselves as sovereign equals with the United States."

Many Philippine citizens approve of the proposed U.S. operation, insisting that terrorism must be halted in order for the country to "improve its image, its economy and its self-esteem," *The Washington Post* reported. But, others predict the possibility of an anti-American backlash, especially in the Muslim-dominated South.

Datu Muedzul-Lail Kiram, a neighborhood councilor in the town of Sulu on Jolo Island, said to *The Washington Post* that he fears people in principally Muslim areas resent the American role in the defeat of Islamic insurgents in 1899 and the early 20th century.

"I am afraid the second Moro-American War would be triggered by this exercise," he said. "We don't want the Americans to invade our homeland."

The fact that the Philippine military has been unsuccessful in defeating the Abu Sayyaf rebel group of separatist Muslims provides the necessary justification for such U.S. involvement, according to *The New York Times*. Abu Sayyaf, which was founded in 1998 in order to create an Islamic state, may maintain contacts with al-Qaida through relations with Jemaah Islamiyah, an Indonesian terrorist group linked to al-Qaida. Its estimated 250 members have also been charged with kidnapping and murdering many Filipinos and Westerners since April 2000, according to CNN.com.

Philippine Defense Secretary Angelo Reyes met with Adm. Thomas B. Fargo, commander of the United States Pacific Command on Monday, and has scheduled meetings with Pentagon officials in Washington to discuss the details of the operation, *The New York Times* reported.

High gas prices may be due to price gouging

By David LaRoss
Staff Writer

Gasoline prices—in the United States as well as everywhere else—fluctuate continually in response to oil availability, the financial situations of domestic oil companies and even the whims of corner gas stations. Politicians, consumer groups and the attorney general of Florida claim that recent sharp price increases are evidence not of market factors but of industry price gouging—and now the U.S. Senate is taking up the call.

Last Friday, in a joint letter, Sen. Herb Kohl, D-Wis., and Sen. Michael DeWine, R-Ohio, asked the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) to investigate the possibility that recent price spikes, which hit the Midwest particularly hard—Columbus, Ohio saw a 12 cent-per-gallon increase in one day—are due to price fixing by U.S. oil companies, taking advantage of the expected rise in costs due to the recent increase in the price of crude oil. Joe Lieberman, D-Conn., made a similar request on Monday to Secretary of Energy Spencer Abraham.

"The causes of the price increases are not entirely clear, but it is critically important to ensure that they are not caused by price fixing or price gouging by oil companies, gas stations or others within the gasoline supply chain," Kohl and DeWine said in their letter, according to MSNBC.com.

Lieberman, a declared candidate for the 2004 Democratic nomination for president, requested that the Bush administration consider opening the Strategic Petroleum Reserves, temporarily halt deliveries into that reserve (freeing more oil for the consumer market) and request more oil from foreign suppliers, according to CNN.

"The department should monitor both domestic and international petroleum markets and take additional steps to mitigate supply disruptions," Lieberman said, according to *The New York Times*.

Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., has independently asked the FTC to begin an investigation.

According to MSNBC, an FTC spokeswoman said that the commission has no plans to conduct a detailed investigation, but that they take the matter "very seriously." Even if they do not conduct a full-scale investigation, the FTC has a standing program that monitors fuel prices nationwide.

Gas prices have risen an average of 7 cents in the last two weeks, bringing them to $1.70 per gallon, 54 cents above last year's level and only 7 cents below the all-time high recorded in 2001.

Prices higher than $2 per gallon are common in California. In Los Angeles, the most recent cost increase was met with organized protests.

According to MSNBC, the American Automobile Association has issued a statement that current market conditions do not justify the current prices.

Oil companies disagree, blaming the spikes on consumer fears over the drop in oil supplies that could result from a war in Iraq and a devastating political collapse in Venezuela, formerly a major oil producer.

"Prices have gone up because of world supply-and-demand conditions ... you either believe in supply and demand or conspiracy," said John Felmy of the American Petroleum Institute to CBS.

A week ago, two days after this statement was issued, 100,000 barrels of oil exploded in a barge docked in New York City, sending nationwide oil prices even higher.

Senate Democrats delaying Estrada vote

By David LaRoss
Staff Writer

Miguel Estrada was nominated for a seat on the District of Columbia circuit of the U.S. Court of Appeals in May 2001. Since his nomination, any discussion or voting on the confirmation has been consistently delayed. Almost two years later, he is facing real problems.

Estrada was nominated for the seat while the Senate was under Republican control, but when James Jeffords, I-Vt., left the GOP, turning control of the Senate over to the Democratic Party, the legislative body became less receptive to U.S. President George W. Bush's nominations. Estrada's nomination remained in limbo for almost 20 months, until Republicans won a Senate majority in the 2002 elections.

Estrada's nomination finally moved to the Senate floor in late January, when the now Republican-controlled Senate Judiciary Committee approved him by a 10-9 vote along party lines. If the vote in the Senate—which must approve any appointment to a federal court—were to split along the same lines, Estrada would be confirmed easily, since, according to MSNBC.com, three Democratic senators have declared their support for him.

The standard process in which the Senate questions nominees for the federal judiciary before voting on their appointment may end Estrada's chances. According to CNN.com, Democrats claim that during the questioning, Estrada avoided or refused to fully answer questions about his opinions on important past legal decisions.

When asked to identify three Supreme Court cases he disagreed with, Estrada said, according to CNN.com, "I'm not even sure that I could think of three that I would be ... that I would have a sort of adverse reaction to."

This behavior, combined with the White House's refusal to release memos Estrada wrote while he was an assistant to the Solicitor General under former President Bill Clinton, has prompted Senate Democrats to block any vote on Estrada's confirmation.

Republicans have a different view of the situation.

"The truth is he didn't answer questions in a way that could be used against him," said Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, to *The Washington Post*, claiming that Estrada answered every question he was asked.

"If this Senate decides that we cannot ask a nominee to the federal court a question as basic as his views on our Constitution, then we have been transformed into a rubber stamp," said Sen. Richard Durbin, D-Ill., according to *The New York Times*.

Democrats claim that without firm answers to their questions, the Senate cannot effectively gauge Estrada's potential as a justice. They are demanding that the president make Estrada supply responses. This is particularly important because the seat Estrada has been nominated for is a traditional stepping-stone to the Supreme Court—three of the nine current judges came from that circuit.

According to *The New York Times*, some Democrats say that Estrada is actually a far-right conservative who was specifically selected because his lack of a "paper trail" made it easier to disguise his views.

"Without that information ... Miguel Estrada will never be a federal judge," said Senate Minority Whip Harry Reid, D-Nev., according to CNN.com.

Since the middle of February, the Democrats have been using a filibuster (a technique in which they hold the Senate floor indefinitely) refusing to relinquish the right to speak and preventing any action by the Senate until their opponents cede the point in question. Since forcing the issue would require 60 votes—in a Senate divided 51-48-1—Republicans are instead attempting to force the Democrats to end the filibuster on their own accord.

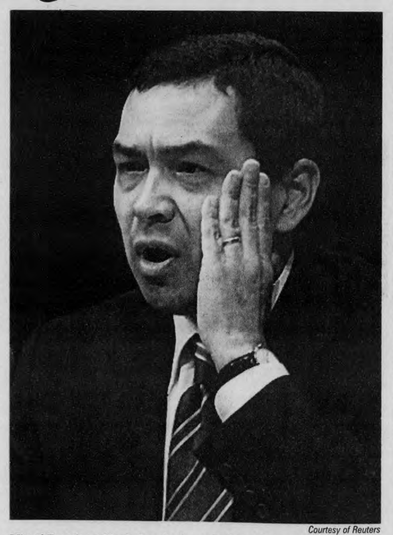
"Miguel Estrada is highly qualified, extremely intelligent," Bush said, according to CNN.com. "He has the votes necessary to be confirmed. Yet a handful of Democrats in the Senate are playing politics with his nomination, and it's shameful politics."

The administration is still refusing to release Estrada's memos from his time in the Solicitor General's Office, saying that doing so would set a precedent to prevent government lawyers from giving truly candid advice.

If Estrada were to be confirmed, he would be the first Hispanic justice on the Washington, D.C., district of the Court of Appeals.

According to CNN, Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, said, "If we deny Mr. Estrada the position on the D.C. Circuit, it would be to shut the door on the American dream of Hispanic Americans everywhere. Not that that should be the basis for our confirmation, but it's obviously very much a fringe benefit."

Estrada is not the first Hispanic to be nominated for the seat.



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Miguel Estrada testifies before the Senate Judiciary Committee. Senate Democrats continue to delay discussion or voting concerning Estrada's nomination to the District of Columbia circuit of the U.S. Court of Appeals.

As things stand now, control of Estrada's fate rests with the Democrats.

"There's no reason to mince around this: We're not going to allow an up or down vote on Miguel Estrada," Reid said to MSNBC.com.

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Men's and women's swimming win Patriots

Lady Bison set 15 new school records and tally 812.5 points en route to their first League championship

By Stephen Schwanhausser
Staff Writer

The women's swimming team competed against its rivals at the Patriot League Championships held at home in Kinney Natatorium last weekend. Boasting an undefeated record this year, the women were the favorites going into the meet, but no predictions could encompass the breadth of the University's accomplishments. Not only was the win a first for Bucknell in the history of the Patriot League, but another first was accomplished when the men's team won as well. This was the first time in league history that a men's and a women's team from the same school won in the same year.

For the women, record setting expands much further than the simple win for the meet. Their point total of 812.5 is a team high, and the Bison set 15 new school records and seven meet and league records along the way. Every single competitor scored points and individual best times were recorded in nearly every event.

The meet opened with the 200 Freestyle relay. Erica Wild '06 led the relay team, followed by Darby Golino '03, Mary Krakowski '06 and Meghan Freese '04. The Bison seized 1st place and destroyed the previous meet, league and team record by nearly 2 seconds when they touched first in 1:34.94. The Bison dominated the first individual event of the meet, the 500-yard free. Five women qualified with fast enough times in the morning to swim again at night, three of whom made it into the top eight. Daniela Faas '04 and Jen Cancro '04 finished 2nd and 3rd in times of 4:56.93 and 4:59.69, respectively. Both swims broke the old school record of 5:00.59 held by Cancro. The elusive 5-minute mark was finally broken. Jackie Feinthel '05 placed 5th right behind her teammates in 5:03.33. Filling out the event were Robin Gibson '05 and Krisztina Poda '04, who placed 9th and 11th, respectively.

The 200 IM was littered with Orange and Blue as well when the Bison stuck three swimmers in the final heat and one in consolations. Golino, Jamie Flick '05 and Vanessa Scaringi '06 placed 2nd, 4th and 8th, respectively, while Lauren Reed '06 finished 10th. Both Golino and Flick shattered the old school record of 2:09.05 set by Golino last year. Golino finished in 2:06.46, edging out Flick, who touched the wall in 2:07.84. The final individual event of the day was the 50 free, an event Freese dominated last year.

Bucknell has had a tradition of ownership in the sprint freestyle events since the league's conception as Hall of Famer Margaret Grunow owned league and school records. All this was to change as Freese exploded into the water breaking league, meet, pool and school records as she finished the event in 23.32. This time also qualified her for the United States National Meet and was an NCAA "B" qualifying time. She was followed by teammates Krakowski and Wild who placed 4th and 12th, respectively.

The women finished that night in style as Golino, Flick, Krakowski and Freese stepped up to the block for the 400 medley relay. Golino led off the event with a 100 backstroke time that broke the school record as she touched in 57.31. Flick quickly followed with an amazing breast stroke split of 1:03.80. She had the fastest split of the event by over 2 seconds. Krakowski hit the water and took off, sealing the win as she paced 56.60 in the 100 fly. The relay was complete as Freese destroyed the field, touching in 51.83 at the end of 100 yards of freestyle. A team expects success when its relay is the combination of the four top qualifiers in each stroke, but the final time of 3:49.54 destroyed the team record by over 4 seconds and set a new meet and league record by 3.5 seconds. At the end of the first night it was becoming apparent that this team would not be touched for the rest of the meet.

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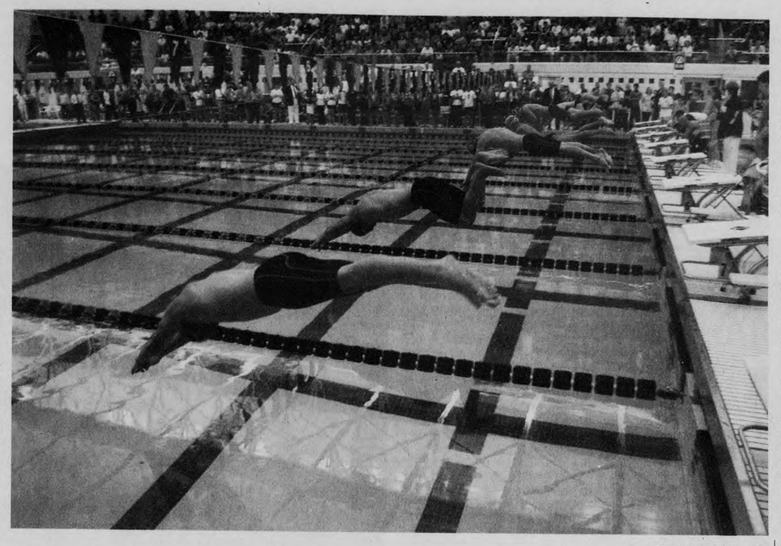

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Swimmers launch into the pool during last weekend's Patriot League Championships at Kinney Natatorium. Both the Bison men's and women's swimming and diving teams thwarted the other Patriot League squads to bring home the first championships trophies in the programs' respective histories.

Men outdistance Patriot League foes and take home P.L. trophy for the first time in the team's history

By Lauren O'Connor
Staff Writer

The Bucknell men's swimming and diving team won the Patriot League Championships last weekend for the first time in the history of the program. It scored 701 points, a team record and was followed by Lehigh (632), American (580.5), Army (564), Colgate (365), Lafayette (342) and Holy Cross (183).

The Bison were able to complete their season at home in the Kinney Natatorium on Feb. 20-22.

"The atmosphere was electric because it was our pool and our home crowd. You could not help give your races everything you had because there were so many people behind you on the sidelines and the stands," Todd Bauer '06 said.

"This meet was the culmination of all the hard work put in this season by the team and the coaches," diver Adam Freeman '05 said.

The team hard all year for this meet and, for many, a lifetime of training had paid off.

"We started training in September for this meet, and all the hard work paid off. Most people on the team have been swimming and diving well over 10 years for a chance to win a championship," swimmer Kurt McCoy '03 said.

Winning this meet was truly a team effort; the Bison won only four individual events.

"The team set a goal in the beginning of the year that we would finish 1st in the league or last in the league, but we would do it as a team," Stelios Saffos '03 said. "I cannot imagine a

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Women's track and field dominates Patriot League

Women's squad silences doubters with 60-point trouncing of Army; men land 3rd place behind Army and Lafayette

By Evan Honeyfield
Staff Writer

The women's track and field team repeated as Patriot League Indoor Champions, while the men finished 3rd this past weekend at Colgate.

"It definitely lived up to its billing as an intense meet," Assistant Coach Mario Wilson said.

To the women, the victory was about more than just winning.

"Winning the title meant establishing our own identity," Charity Brady '03 said. "After the seniors graduated from last year, there was a lot of apprehension as to whether we could win again. We have a great tradition of winning, so being able to bring home the cup again is a really good feeling."

Brady was part of the second-place 4x400-meter relay that also included Monique Boley '05, Nicki Piper '03 and Amy Calvo '05. The foursome accounted for 64 of Bucknell's 180 points. Brady placed 2nd in the 400 to Calvo in an exciting race that was decided in the final meters. A half-hour after the 400, Calvo put on one of the gutsiest performances of the meet by taking 2nd in the 500. Piper also put in strong performances as part of the 2nd-place 4x800 relay and individually, as she won the 800 by running from the front early and placed 4th in the 1,000.

Theresa Dennis '03 might be the only Lady Bison who ran a more grueling schedule than Piper and Calvo. Dennis won the 5k and then came back to place in the mile (3rd) and the 3k (2nd). In both the mile and 3k, Dennis passed many competitors in the last lap to make for two very exciting events.

"I was really excited to have the chance to run all three races and to prove myself to everyone. I feel that everyone gave it their all this past weekend. They all wanted the title so bad, that even after we knew we had it, we still didn't back down," Dennis said.

Courtesy of Athletic Communications

"Winning the title meant establishing our own identity. We have a great tradition of winning, so being able to bring home the cup again is a really good feeling."
—Charity Brady '03

The women might have been led by a small group, but it was the entire team that won the title, scoring in 18 of 20 events.

"It was completely well-rounded," Associate Head Coach Joe Klim said. "They came together as a team and they did not want to lose. Looking at qualifying stats, it looked like it was going to be an intense battle with Army and Navy. But winning with one-third more points than 2nd-place means we hammered them."

Head Coach Kevin Donner was also pleased with the meet.

"It was about as perfect a meet as we could have had," Donner said. "In my 19 years of coaching, I have never seen a team rise as this team did. The intensity was relentless all weekend. This team has definitely developed its own identity after graduating that great class of 2002."

A few other impressive performances that helped form that identity included Jamie Lilien '03 taking 5th in the 55 hurdles in a time faster than her winning time in 2000. Also, Maria Garcia '05 took 2nd in the weight throw to lead a 16-point effort by the Bison in the event, and Dionne Bonds '04 and Robin Meling '04 surprised everyone by taking 1st and 5th in the triple jump.

This was the first time in nine years that the Bison men placed worse than 2nd in a league meet. Once again, Army won easily, but Lafayette (109 points) was able to capitalize on mixed results from the Bison and the addition of American to the Patriot League to beat the Bison (99 points).

Traditionally, Bucknell has picked up enough

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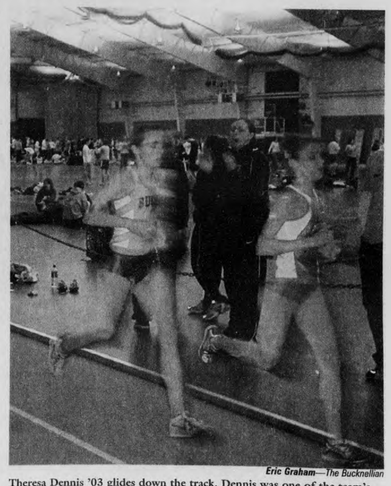

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Theresa Dennis '03 glides down the track. Dennis was one of the team's most indispensible members, winning one race and placing in two others.

Sports

Lady Bison continue search for consistency

Women's basketball squad takes down Lafayette, but falls to 11-13 overall and 6-6 in the league after bitter loss to Army

By Joe Schweitzer
Staff Writer

A huge 71-67 victory over Lafayette on Feb. 21 gave the Bucknell women's basketball team a huge lift beginning its final road trip of the season. Unfortunately, the Bison could not build on that momentum as their road trip ended with a bitter 91-79 loss to Army on Feb. 23. The Orange and Blue continue their struggles to find consistency as their record slips to 11-13 overall and 6-6 in league play.

The Bison showed no signs of weariness from the road trip to Easton as Chelsea Smith '06 and Lindsey Geosits '06 scored 4 points apiece to give Bucknell an early 10-0 lead. The Orange and Blue used a stingy defense to hold the Leopards to only two field goals in the first 9 minutes of the game as the squad continued to expand its advantage. Lafayette crept back into the game with its own run, but the Bison answered the challenge and used their own spurt to build a 35-23 halftime lead.

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Head Coach Kathy Fedorjaka watches her Bison squad in action. The Bison have fallen to 11-13 overall and 6-6 in the league.

The Orange and Blue carried their momentum into the second half, expanding their lead to 21 points, 44-23. Lafayette responded by working the ball inside to standout Colleen Fitzpatrick, who ignited a 17-0 run that brought the Leopards racing back.

Then, Molly Creamer '03 took over the game. The All-American standout ended a five-minute Bucknell scoring drought with a bomb from downtown that fueled one of the most amazing performances of her illustrious career.

Creamer was an unstoppable goddess the final 13 minutes as she repeatedly assaulted the nets with a furious frenzy of points. Her competitive edge took the game over as even her teammates watched in awe as she rattled off the Bison's last 29 points of the contest and carried the squad to a 71-67 victory.

"Molly was amazing, as usual," All-league candidate Kate Franks '03 said. "She is such an amazing player that can get herself shots and score at will. She did what the team needed in order for us to pull out the win."

Creamer's 44 points again rewrote the record books, setting the record for most points ever scored in Lafayette's stadium. She has broken so many records over her career that Creamer started breaking her own records on Friday by topping her previous career high and the Patriot League record for points in a game.

The Lady Bison attempted to build on their two-game winning streak facing Army on Feb. 23, but Bucknell could not match Army's physical play inside and dropped a 91-79 decision.

Again the Orange and Blue sprinted out of the gates to an impressive 18-8 lead just 6 minutes into the contest. Army's offense settled down from there as they slowed the game's pace to a crawl and began establishing their inside players. Bucknell fought hard to maintain the lead, but two 11-2 Army outbursts sent the Bison reeling. Army's standout center Katie Macfarlane scored 9 points to fuel the second run and send Bucknell to the locker room down by 11, 46-35.

Army took advantage of the Bison's sluggish beginning to the second stanza and built their lead to as many as 19 points behind 8 more Macfarlane points en route to a 12-2 run. Franks connected on two straight treys to pull the Orange and Blue within 10, 70-60. The Black Knights pounded the ball inside and extended the lead to 15, but Bucknell battled to come within 10 points three more times before finally cutting their deficit to 8 points, 81-73, with 2:31 left in the contest. Army struggled from the charity stripe down the stretch to give the Orange and Blue hope, but the Bison were too worn down from battling Macfarlane inside to muster enough offense to make a complete the comeback falling 91-79.

"As a team we need to stay focused for 40 minutes and play the type of basketball that we are capable of playing with no let downs," Franks said. "We definitely need to step up our defense and continue to improve on our rebounding and everything else will follow."

Macfarlane battled to 32 points and 11 rebounds to top a list of five Black Knights in double digits who were poised to take advantage of an inexperienced Bucknell interior.

Creamer struggled from the field at times, but used a strong 11-13 free throw performance to net 27 points, adding to Franks' 19 points.

Desire Almind '04 continued her all-league-caliber play as she tallied 12 points and eight rebounds. Almind's performance helped her become just the 14th Bucknell women to surpass the 1,000-point plateau.

"We really did not get things rolling at all (against Army)," Franks said. "We just need to look at our weaknesses that they exposed and hopefully build off that."

The Orange and Blue return to the comfort of Sojka Pavilion this weekend to face Holy Cross at 5:30 p.m. tonight and battle Colgate on Sunday to finish out their home schedule.

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Desire Almind '04 snaps a pass to a teammate at Sojka Pavilion in a game against Navy. The Bison beat Lafayette on Feb. 21, but their struggle with inconsistency continued as they dropped a contest to Army.

Men beat Army to keep winning streak intact

Bison move into 3rd place in the Patriot League after dramatic 66-65 triumph over Army, bumping record to 13-12

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Dan Blankenship '03 fires off a shot during a game against Navy. Blankenship hit two foul shots to propel the Bison past Army last Sunday.

By Dave Cohen
Senior Writer

The men's basketball team won its third-straight game on Feb. 23 in dramatic fashion by the count of 66-65 at Army. With the victory, Bucknell moved into a 3rd-place tie with American and Colgate with two league games remaining. The Bison will face 1st-place Holy Cross, aired on national television, at 9 p.m. tonight at Sojka Pavilion.

The Bison used a 12-0 run over a 6-minute span midway through the second half to turn a five-point deficit into a 55-48 lead. But the game was one of small runs and the Black Knights crept back into the game with a couple of three-pointers. An Army steal and layup put the Bison down 64-62 late in the contest. Kevin Bettencourt '06 tied the game with a clutch shot from the elbow with 1 minute, 34 seconds left. Bettencourt's bucket tied his career high with 20 points. Bettencourt talked about his production.

"I was really pleased with my game offensively," Bettencourt said. "It felt especially good because I struggled during the past couple of games. Most of all, however, I was glad that I could help the team get a win."

Davorin Skornik '04 said the team is confidence in Bettencourt's play.

"We all have faith in Kevin," Skornik said. "We needed a score and he made a great shot. I was so relieved when he hit it but there was still a minute and a half left, so it's not like it was over yet. We made a shot and then we needed a stop. That's what I was thinking about at that point."

A Mike Canty foul shot with under a minute remaining gave Army a 65-64 lead. Chris Niesz '05 had an opportunity to give Bucknell the lead with 30 seconds left, but his attempt from three-point range was off the mark and the Bison were forced to foul Canty again. He missed the front-end of the one-and-one, and captain Danny Blankenship '03 was fouled at the other end. Blankenship's front-end rimmed out and the Bison fouled Matt Collins. Collins missed his first shot of a one-and-one and Blankenship was fouled again at the other end on a drive with 8 seconds remaining. He hit both of his tosses to put Bucknell in the lead 66-65, which helped ensure the win.

"Danny's free throws were huge. Not many people are able to come through in that type of situation. I don't think people understand how much pressure he was under when he went to the line the second time," Bettencourt said. "The funny thing is that I think he was the only one who was nervous. If there was one guy we wanted back up on that line it was him, because he is a captain and if it wasn't for his leadership we may not have been in a situation to go to the line and win the game."

In Army's final chance to win the game, Collins took a baseline jumper while fading away from Boakai Lalugba '03 and the ball ticked the front of the rim and skipped off of the back.

The Bison outscored Army in the paint 32-20, thanks to Lalugba and Tarik Viaer-McClymont '06. Lalugba recorded his 15th double-double of the season with 19 points and 10 rebounds, while Viaer-McClymont added 9 points and 5 boards. They also shot 12-19 from the field.

The first half was just as exciting as the second frame, as there were four ties and seven lead changes. The Black Knights shot 59 percent and connected on five threes. Army's 36 points at the break were the most that Bucknell's 3rd-ranked defense in the nation had squandered since giving up 39 to Arizona State on Dec. 27. Skornik said the team was unable to stop Army consistently in the first half.

"We gave them some uncontested shots, which they made," Skornik said. "I still think that we played good defense for most of the game, though. They just knocked down some tough shots at times."

Bettencourt hit his first four shots from the floor and Bucknell looked to be off and running early, until Andy Smith scored 11 consecutive Black Knight points and put his team on top 34-29 with two minutes remaining in the half.

The Bison shot 51 percent from the floor, while the Black Knights shot an even 50 percent and hit 11 of 17 three-pointers. Bucknell swept the season series with the win and leads the all-time series 26-4 since the two teams joined the Patriot League in 1990-91. The Orange and Blue improved to 13-12 overall and 7-5 in the league, while Army dropped to 5-19 overall and 0-12 in the league.

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Dan Blankenship '03 passes the ball during an earlier game. The Bison won their third game in a row.

Sports Ops

Cecily Cairns Classic Corner

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This is heartbreak

A couple of weeks ago, ESPN.com's Page 2 ran an installment of its weekly feature "The List" showcasing the Web site's choices for the top 10 "most painful heartbreakers." As is usually the case with "The List," it was a little disjointed and arbitrary.

The authors chose to bypass the most conventional and tragic instances of "heartbreak" and opt instead for a benign rundown of last-second losses, bloopers, team migrations and more of the mundane. Admittedly, this can hardly be construed as a crime from a Web site that harvests its appeal by adopting a lighthearted stance on the sports world. Page 2 aims to amuse its audience with frivolity, not depress them with morbid profundity.

But the column complicated its usually levity by throwing onto the list a pair of real mood-crushers—Lou Gehrig's way-too-premature farewell and Ruffian's infamous demise, strange choices for a list that claimed to avoid untimely deaths.

"Heartbreak," according to the authors, "isn't word enough for those."

And they're right—"heartbreak" isn't emotionally expansive enough to cover the cruel twists of fate that ripped Clemente and Munson from the sky, overturned Prefontaine's MGB, swept Duk-Koo Kim and Jimmy Doyle into one-way comas and let the pink cocktail course through the final rounds of Go For Wand's bloodstream. That's not simply heartbreak; that's tragedy.

Heartbreak ought to be less morbid. But maybe something more serious than the losses and relocations on ESPN's list. They lack finality. It may be hard to place in perspective at times, but those moments—for us on the sidelines—are disappointments. Not heartbreak. Not by my definition.

So if death is worse than heartbreak and loss is something less than it, what exactly *is* heartbreak?

Heartbreak is the wicked snap of Dave Dravecky's humerus buckling midpitch in 1989, the sickening sound of a comeback killer—the end of his valiant effort to resurrect his career after having a malignant tumor removed from his pitching arm. It's the sight of the resolute lefty, who had come so far on such unlikely odds, clutching his disjoined arm and crashing down on the front of the mound, a pile of dirt he'd fought so hard to return to, a pile of dirt which, from that moment on, would never be a part of his life again.

Heartbreak is Gale Sayers' "good" knee giving out during the Bears' preseason in 1970, hammering the nails into the coffin as far as his career was concerned. It's seeing the most brilliant running back God ever created, who had already battled through reconstruction of his other knee, emerge from surgery only to realize that there would be no coming back this time around. It's realizing that something fantastic is over long before anyone even had a chance to find out just *how* fantastic it could be.

It's an errant Jack Hamilton fastball streaking through the air of a summer night in 1967 and drilling 21-year-old power-hitter-in-the-making Tony Conigliaro aside the head, breaking his cheekbone and destroying his visual acuity. It's Conigliaro, who fought stubbornly against inevitability and reality, finally understanding after one last surge in 1975, that it had all become an exercise in futility, that his game was over.

It's Ron Turcotte plummeting to the dirt at Belmont Park in 1978, and never standing up again. It's seeing a career that once landed him on the backs of Riva Ridge and Secretariat end by landing him in a wheelchair, an ending so devastating to him that for weeks he could barely force himself to eat, to get up every day and find something to strive for.

It's Tony Saunders sitting down behind a battery of microphones in late August of 2000, with a sling engulfing his left arm and a huge white splint partially obscuring the tattoo on his shoulder—a tattoo with the words "my world" scrawled over an image of a hand gripping a baseball. It's watching Saunders use his right hand, his functional hand, in a desperate and unavailing attempt to hold his tears at bay. It's the look in his eyes, glassy and bright red, as he faced the glaring lights and admitted to the media, to the baseball world, to those who had followed him through his first bout with a broken arm, and worst of all, to himself, that baseball and all the dreams that go with it were no longer feasible—"his world" would never be the same.

It's Todd MacCulloch learning last week that his body is beginning an unstoppable deterioration process that will eventually render his extremities barely functional. It's the poor hereditary luck that landed MacCulloch this disorder, the genetics that will make his everyday life a struggle and will place his basketball career far from reach.

It's the countless other athletes that no one ever knows about, writes about or remembers, who never get the chance to finish what they started. It's the termination of a dream, the cruel halt of an addictive chase, the realization that no effort can possibly generate another try, a next game. It's the reluctant abandonment of an irreplaceable passion.

That's heartbreak.

There's something else to heartbreak, though, that sometimes falls by the wayside, something that Page 2 doesn't attend to. It's hard to see, since it's buried in the shadow of tremendous sadness, but it's there.

It's Tony Saunders, a month after he said goodbye to baseball, clad in street clothes and still donning a sling, crouching on the back of the mound at Tropicana Field—a place that had once played a crucial role in his now-forsaken dream. It's the beautiful 3-year-old girl—Saunders' daughter—standing in front of him, proudly dressed in an oversized Devil Rays jersey with her daddy's name and number on the back, hurling the ceremonial first pitch towards the plate with all her strength.

It's the look in Saunders' eyes, maybe a little glassy, but no longer red, as he walks away from his old world—a world he'll never forget—one last time, with his new world—the world he'll live for for the rest of his life—at his side holding onto the hand of his good arm.

That's what makes it tolerable. Where death is the end of a story, heartbreak is only the end of a chapter.

Sometimes you just need to keep reading.

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Testing the waters

Heading to Dallas, we report on the Emmitt Smith-Jerry Jones Saga. Jones, owner of the Cowboys, expects that a decision on whether to retain Smith on the team or release the NFL's all-time rusher by this weekend.

"We know he's NFL royalty, he's Dallas Cowboys royalty,"' Jones said. "But this is about the future of the team. We're looking at the future of the team and there are a lot of things involved. It's not about Emmitt's ability to play. We know he can play."

And play he can. Smith, who is the lifeline to the early '90s glory years of three Super Bowls, is not just the best running back on the Cowboys, but the arguably the leader. I remember last summer when I visited Texas Stadium for the first time. During halftime of a Pop Warner football game (Do those kids know how incredibly lucky they are?), I ran onto the field, touched the "Star" and then proceeded to dive into the end zone à la Smith style over a once-powerful offensive line. Smith, a leader on and off the field, earns the respect of teammates and fans alike. He is not a replaceable figure in Dallas—at least not in the near future.

Backup Troy Hambrick has shown flashes of brilliance, yet does not have a tremendous upside to circumvent Smith to the bench. Bill Parcells, the Cowboy's new Jimmy Johnson-type coach, has steered clear of this issue and allowed Smith and Jerry to figure it out. Dallas owns the fifth pick in the upcoming draft and would be better off working on a playmaking wide receiver or solid offensive tackle to take some of the pressure off of Smith than drafting on a hunch that a running back would pan out. That being said, on the second day of draft, picking up a Larry Johnson, running back from Penn State might be an early Christmas present. Coming off a serious injury, Johnson's stock has plumuted, but he has made it known that he plans on getting back into playing shape.

Asked if he would consider being a backup in Dallas or anywhere else, Smith said he would "weigh all options, that much I will do."'

From a diehard Cowboys fan, Jerry, don't let him go.

Heading due north, Kurt Warner has hit the jackpot for next season, earning an extra $6 million dollar bonus to retain a St. Louis Rams jersey. The Rams also would not change the $5.3 million in base salary the two-time NFL MVP is due in 2003, but would restructure the backend of the contract that runs through the 2006 season, Jay Zygmunt told the St.Louis Dispatch.

I'm happy for Warner and his financial group, but he should be backing up Marc Bulger. Bulger led the Rams to a 6-1 record as starting quarterback last season while Warner led his team to a dismal 0-6 record. Now 31, Warner isn't getting any faster and injuries start to crumble players in their early 30s. You can't ignore stats like above, and although it is refreshing to see loyalty in football, when it is clear your backup has the respect of your players, being honest with yourself is key.

Spring Break on MTV might involve a few more basketball courts this year with news that MTV might be used to televise March Madness games. If the United States goes to war with Iraq and major developments occur during the NCAA Tournament, CBS might pre-empt its basketball telecasts. If that happens, CBS Sports president Sean McManus said CBS probably would shift the games to MTV, VH1 or TNN, each owned by Viacom, who owns CBS as well. Imagine Carson Daly doing play-by-play for a Sweet 16 game? "Totally out of fashion No. 12 moves the ball down the court and passes it to a guy who should be Limp Bizkit's lead guitarist. Let's see that highlight again … again."

"That's a decision you have to make at the time of the crisis," McManus said. "If there is a war going on and there are important news elements to cover, that will take precedent over a sporting event."

If you're heading to Alaska for spring break, you might fish out a new pair of shoes. Some 33,000 basketball shoes have spilled from a container ship off Northern California drifting toward Alaska. While I am sure many "Perfect Storm" diehard Nike shoe fans have begun to set sail, but one word of advice for you. An oceanographer who tracks the shipments said Nike forgot to tie the laces together, so your chances of finding the correct size and foot might be a monumental task. The shoes have apparently been bobbing around since December when they toppled off cargo ship on its way from Los Angeles to Tacoma, Wash. A Nike spokesman said people who find soggy sneakers can mail them to the company for recycling. Sure, just after I cash in my soda bottles….

We are at the crossroads of professional sports. Baseball is a month away, basketball and hockey teams are working hard for playoff positions and March Madness is within smelling distance! Buckie up, this is going to exciting. .

Me like sportz

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All Mets are off

Without question, the more things change, the more they stay the same. In their first spring training game of the year, the New York Mets fell to the St. Louis Cardinals 7-2. Matt Morris worked his way out of a second inning jam while the Mets committed two errors in the third, tabbing four unearned runs to Al Leiter. Seems like just yesterday when the Mets were blowing the lead in games that counted; glad to see all these roster moves pay off.

That's right, there's a whole slew of new faces for New Yorkers to curse like it was J. Lo in Manhattan. From Tom Glavine, formerly of the archnemesis Atlanta Braves, and Mike Stanton, from the archnemesis New York Yankees, the acquisition of these two players marks a new GM strategy. Amending the old "if you can't beat them, join them" adage, teams are subscribing to the new "if you repeatedly obliterate them, give them your best players to even things out" policy. We'll call this the "kickball method" of franchise management.

The Mets are now a hodgepodge team of veterans and unstellar youths hackneyed together like some abominable Frankenclub. The starting rotation is like molding cheese left out on the counter. The age of the starting four—coincidentally in descending age order—as well, posts Al Leiter at 38, Glavine at 37, Pedro Astacio at 34 and Steve Trachsel at 33.

On the field, there are two well-aged outfielders and three elderly infielders, all of whom voted for LBJ, and then the left side of the infield is composed of one twentysomething and one teen-ager, both of whom haven't gotten to those letters in the alphabet yet.

Reports say Mo Vaughn has lost about 40 pounds and is down to 13 percent body fat—I myself carry a hefty 30 percent body fat; Art Howe is the Joe Torre doppelganger of Queens, but with a lot less talent to work with; Owner Fred Wilpon is undergoing a process of "boss-ification," adopting a more Steinbrenner-esque approach to team management; Mike Piazza still thinks he can last another two years behind the plate though both his knees have filed for a restraining order; and the starting shortstop by midseason will likely be a boy who isn't allowed sweets and can't stay up past 11 on weeknights—now I ask, how is he supposed to get addicted to steroids, dietary supplements and pain relievers if he can't even have an Almond Joy after a big game?

The Mets have the second highest payroll in baseball and, next to the Yankees, they're the only ones getting tabbed with the new luxury tax (though the Yankees' tax ranks in the millions while the Mets fee is something like $350 grand—just a point of reference, when Benny Agbayani was the starting left fielder for the Mets, he made about $250,000).

Let the games begin.

At this point, Steve Phillips' job is more tender than Etienne's face, post-Tyson. Steve better look for some sort of backup plan because there's nothing New York likes more than a scapegoat. Bobby Valentine felt that Damocletian sword last offseason and if the Mets don't start turning things around, Steve is going to find himself on the receiving end of a pink slip sandwich … hold the mayo. Wokka wokka wokka.

But seriously, the Mets need to start their season off right. They need to find their fifth starter, a starting shortstop and third baseman, and they need to get some wins early. The Mets, like all New York teams, are notorious for coming out of the gate with all the pizzazz of a gimp emu being crushed under the oppressive weight of the gravity of Jupiter. The Mets need to show that their mistakes last season won't be duplicated.

But what it really comes down to is whether or not the old folks got game. The Mets have a lot of really young players that have to make an impact without the support staff that they truly need. When the Yankees brought up Alfonso Soriano and Nick Johnson they had Chuck Knoblauch, Randy Velarde and Jason Giambi as safety nets and mentors to make sure the young'ens didn't crash and burn. The Mets have Rey Sanchez. Pray it doesn't come down to that.

But with all of this, there is still hope, hope that only the best bobble-head mascot could possibly give, hope that resides in the giant spherical head of Mr. Met. My prediction? New York Mets win the World Series in three games as the other team forfeits due to supreme intimidation by the lobbying of the AARP.

Today's rivalries fuel intense competitions in many sports

By Mark Walker
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Last week, in men's college basketball, Duke and Maryland renewed what has become one of the greatest and most exciting rivalries in all of sports. Like many of their recent matchups, this game came down to the wire, with Duke prevailing 75-70.

Duke-UNC was once unquestionably the NCAA's greatest rivalry. Some of the bad blood between the two schools has worn off due to a recent decline in UNC's program. This has allowed Duke-Maryland to take center stage as the greatest rivalry in men's college basketball.

This rivalry took off in 2001, as the teams met four times, including a matchup in the ACC semifinals and the Final Four. Duke won 3 of 4 that year, including the Final Four meeting, the ACC tournament meeting and an overtime thriller that included a 10-point comeback in the final 54 seconds of regulation. These cliffhangers created a lot of bad blood and top-notch competition between the two league rivals.

This got me thinking, in other leagues, what are currently the best rivalries based on hatred and good competition?

NCAA football:

Army-Navy was once undoubtedly the greatest rivalry in college football. While the tradition of that annual game survives, the success of the programs does not, which has caused the rivalry to diminish. Recently, some hatred has grown among Miami, Florida State and Florida, but currently the greatest rivalry in college football is most likely Michigan-Ohio State. This has been a fairly strong rivalry for almost a century now, and it received a great boost last season. With the National Championship in Ohio State's sight, Michigan traveled to Ohio State to play a spoiler's role. Ohio State squeaked by 14-9 and went on to win the National Championship.

Women's college basketball:

Connecticut-Tennessee, no question about it. Nobody can compare to these two colleges' women's basketball programs.

Major-league baseball:

For years, the Giants and Dodgers held the title as the greatest rivalry in the league, especially when both teams played in New York. With time, the animosity between those two teams has decreased, handing the throne to three new, equally exciting rivalries: The Mets-Braves, Yankees-Red Sox and Cardinals-Cubs. The Mets-Braves took off in 1999, as John Rocker and Chipper (Larry) Jones had a few choice words for Mets fans and New York. The rivalry was enhanced by one of the most exciting league championships ever, with the Braves prevailing 4-2 in a series that featured two multiple extra-inning thrillers and Robin Ventura's "Grand Slam Single."

The Yankees and Red Sox have been rivals since the "Curse of the Bambino." This rivalry has recently grown as the two teams have frequently sat atop the American League East. Adding fuel to the fire was a series of great pitching duals between ex-Red Sox, now Yankees, hurler Roger Clemens and current Red Sox pitcher Pedro Martinez.

Finally, the Cardinals and Cubs have always been division rivals because of their close Midwest proximity. Their rivalry was enhanced by the home run competition between Mark McGwire and Sammy Sosa that took place in the late 1990s.

National Hockey League:

Back in the days of the "original six," the Maple Leafs and Canadiens were by far and away the league's greatest rivalry. That rivalry has not held up with time and with the NHL's expansion. Then, in the '90s, the Devils-Rangers developed a heated rivalry filled with lots of excitement. That rivalry significantly faded when the Rangers failed to beat the Devils in 23 straight games from 1997 to 2001.

Now, the Avalanche and Red Wings hold the throne. These teams seem to meet deep in the Western Conference Playoffs every year, which has created strong competition and hatred between the two. Adding to the rivalry were two massive brawls in the late '90s that included the Avalanche goalie Patrick Roy and Wings goalies Mike Vernon and Chris Osgood.

National Basketball Association:

In the '80s, the NBA was dominated by the Celtics-Lakers rivalry. Then, the Knicks-Heat became the best rivalry during the '90s. The NBA has lacked a great rivalry for the past couple of years, but tension that has recently arisen between the Kings and Lakers is forming the league's new greatest rivalry.

This intense competition between the two teams took off last year after a seven-game thriller in the Western Conference Finals, with the Lakers prevailing. A lot of trash talking has also gone on between the two teams over the past year. Most notably, Shaquille O'Neal angered the Kings as he referred to them as the best team in the WNBA.

National Football League:

Rivalries come and go frequently in the NFL. The Redskins-Cowboys, Raiders-Chiefs and Packers-Bears have all been big rivalries in the past. The largest current rivalry is likely that between Green Bay and Tampa Bay, a matchup once referred to as "The Bay of Pigs." The highest point of this rivalry came this season as Packer's Coach Mike Sherman got in Warren Sapp's face after he thought Sapp gave a cheap shot on Packer Chad Clifton. Now, the only question is whether or not this rivalry will survive now that the Packers and Bucs are in different divisions.

Sports

Lady Bison dominate P.L. Championships, set 15 school records

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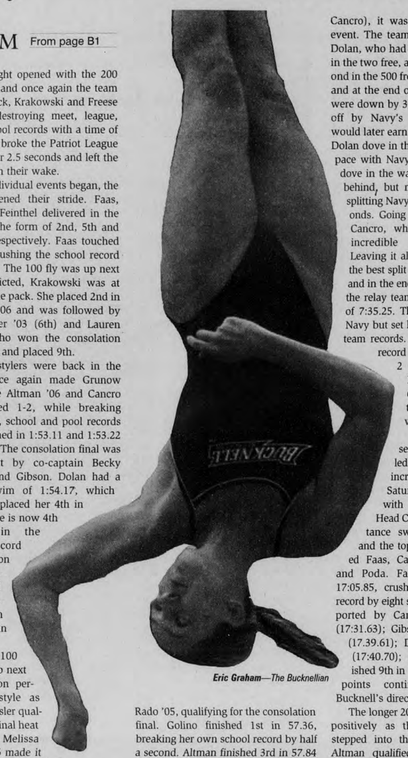
Friday night opened with the 200 medley relay and once again the team of Golino, Flick, Krakowski and Freese dominated, destroying meet, league, pool and school records with a time of 1:44.35. This broke the Patriot League record by over 2.5 seconds and left the competition in their wake.

As the individual events began, the Bison lengthened their stride. Faas, Scaringi and Feinthel delivered in the top heat, in the form of 2nd, 5th and 7th places, respectively. Faas touched in 4:28.51, crushing the school record by 2 seconds. The 100 fly was up next and, as predicted, Krakowski was at the head of the pack. She placed 2nd in a time of 57.06 and was followed by Lauren Mosler '03 (6th) and Lauren Reed '06, who won the consolation heat in 59.31 and placed 9th.

The freestylers were back in the 200 and once again made Grunow proud. Lectie Altman '06 and Cancro were finished 1-2, while breaking meet, league, school and pool records as they touched in 1:53.11 and 1:53.22 respectively. The consolation final was rounded out by co-captain Becky Dolan '03 and Gibson. Dolan had a breakout swim of 1:54.17, which would have placed her 4th in the event; she is now 4th all time in the Bucknell record book. She won the consolation heat and placed 9th while Gibson was 15th in 1:58.24.



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The 100 breast was up next and the Bison performed in style as Flick and Mosler qualified for the final heat and Melissa Capperell '06 made it into consolations. Flick dominated the event, winning in 1:04.69, breaking her own school record by a full second. She is now over 3 seconds ahead of anyone else who has ever swam the event for Bucknell. Mosler was 7th in 1:08.56 and Capperell finished 16th in 1:09.80. The Bison were set to destroy the 100 backstroke as well with Golino, Altman and Freese in the final heat with Trish Rado '05, qualifying for the consolation final. Golino finished 1st in 57.36, breaking her own school record by half a second. Altman finished 3rd in 57.84 followed closely by Freese, who touched in 58.34. Rado rounded out the event winning the consolation heat in 1:00.04, placing 9th.

The first women's diving event of the meet was the 1-meter event in which Sarah Petcavage '04 placed 8th with 197.40 points.

The last event of the night was the 800 freestyle relay. With the top two finishers in the 200 free (Altman and Cancro), it was sure to be a strong event. The team was rounded out by Dolan, who had the fourth fastest time in the two free, and Faas, who was second in the 500 free. Navy put up a race, and at the end of 200 yards, the Bison were down by 3 seconds due to a lead off by Navy's Jen Windstein, who would later earn Swimmer of the Meet. Dolan dove in the water and held even pace with Navy's second leg. Altman dove in the water three body lengths behind, but made up the gap outsplitting Navy's swimmer by 2.5 seconds. Going into the final leg was Cancro, who is known for her incredible back-half finishes. Leaving it all in the pool, she had the best split of the event in 1:52.73 and in the end it was all Bucknell as the relay team finished with a time of 7:35.25. The time not only beat Navy but set league, meet, pool and team records. The league and meet record was crushed by a full 2 seconds and the Bucknell record is now 6 full seconds better; the previous record was set only last year.

By the end of the second day the women led the team front by an incredible 170.5 points. Saturday night opened with the 1,650 freestyle. Head Coach Jerry Foley's distance swimmers were ready and the top 16 qualifiers included Faas, Cancro, Gibson, Dolan and Poda. Faas finished 2nd in 17:05.85, crushing her own school record by eight seconds. She was supported by Cancro, who was 4th (17:31.63); Gibson, who placed 5th (17.39.61); Dolan, who was 6th (17:40.70); and Poda, who finished 9th in 17:49.17. Records and points continued to flow in Bucknell's direction.

The longer 200 stroke events began positively as the 200 backstrokers stepped into the water. Golino and Altman qualified 1st and 2nd with Rado rounding out the final heat seeded 8th. The depth of the team was displayed in this event during the morning session as Bison swimmer Leslie Rice '05, who was exhibition, touched the wall in 2:09.86, which would have qualified her 7th. As the nighttime competition began the seeds proved correct as Altman and Golino paced the entire race together to finish 1st and 2nd, respectively. Although they both broke league, meet, pool and school records, Golino touched first in 2:02.27 with Altman right behind her in 2:02.66. Rado filled out the heat finishing 8th in 2:12.58.

The 100 free was next and Meg Freese was back to turn heads. She broke meet, league, pool and school records as she won the event in 51.09. She destroyed the heat winning by 1.5 seconds, and brought in yet another Bison victory.

The 200 breast stroke was next to compete and no one could touch Flick. She won by 3.5 seconds, finishing in a pool and school record time of 2:20.30. Mosler and Capperell supported her with 11th and 13th place finishes in 2:28.54 and 2:31.73, respectively.

By the time the 200 butterfly came around it was clear that the Bison were unstoppable. They still had four swims at night, three in finals and one in consolations. Dolan, Feinthel, and Scaringi made the top eight while Krakowski made the top 16. Dolan was 4th with another breakout swim, bettering her individual best by 2.5 seconds. She was followed closely by Feinthel in 5th (2:11.44) and Scaringi in 7th (2:13.11). Krakowski filled out the event placing 14th in 2:14.78.

The final event of the meet was the 400 freestyle relay and their 4th-place finish was the least strong event for the Bison. It was of no consequence once the team of Freese, Cancro, Altman and Golino touched in 3:32.37 the second best time in school history. The women's team earned 812.5 points, a full 237 points ahead of the nearest competition, Navy.

"This was just unbelievable. This was an incredible year for both [men's and women's] teams. These two teams will go down in history as two of the best ever at Bucknell. Words just can't describe my pride and love for this special group," Foley said, wet from being thrown in the pool.

Foley earned the Coach of the Year award for both the men's and women's teams. He made it clear that this success was not only due to his commitment, but to that of the entire staff of assistant coaches Kathleen O'Dell, Judson Aungst and Sandy Elion, Head Diving Coach Errol Carter and academic liaison Carl Milofsky. The success of the two teams was completely unprecedented and both coaches and swimmers were in awe.

"To win for the first time, at home in a brand new pool, and for the guys to win next to us for the first time in league history ... it's just unbelievable," Dolan said. "To know that my class will graduate the first champions is just the best way to go out. We have begun a new Bucknell tradition of winning that I think will stick. I know that in the next few years this team will step to new heights and simply dominate. This is the best day of my life."

The Bison come off this win sending a small team to the ECAC championships at Pitt next weekend. With new time standards met, the team will also send participants to the Senior National Championship in a month.

Overall Women's Team		Scoring
1.	Bucknell	812.50
2.	U.S. Naval Academy	575
3.	Lehigh	520
4.	Colgate	494
5.	U.S. Military Academy	431
6.	American	300.50
7.	Holy Cross	193
8.	Lafayette	157

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Swimmers launch into the pool during last weekend's Patriot League Championships at Kinney Natatorium. Both the Bison men's and women's swimming and diving teams thwarted the other Patriot League squads to bring home the first championships trophies in either programs' respective history.

Men end season with first Patriot League Championship in team's history

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better way to end my college career than by swimming lifetime best performances with my teammates and friends on our way to becoming Patriot League Champions."

The 200-yard freestyle relay team of Jake Thieman '05, Michael Guskey '03, Michael Willats '04 and Peter Garvin '04 started the meet by winning in a 1:22.17. In the next event, the 500 freestyle, Bauer captured 5th place in 4:38.66, while McCoy placed 9th in 4:39.81. Stephen Schwanhausser '03 (4th), Matt Hallowell '04 (8th) and Geoffrey Konopka '03 (9th) added more points in the 200 individual medley.

Garvin gave the team its first individual win of the meet in the 50 freestyle with a time of 20.52. Bucknell also earned 9th-, 10th- and 11th-place points in this event with good swims from Guskey (21.33), Willats (21.42) and Saffos (21.44), respectively. Freeman then placed 3rd in the three-meter diving with a 417. The first day of the meet ended with a 2nd-place finish in the 400 medley relay (3:22.93), which was composed of Christopher Feinthel '03, Guskey, Mark Kretzer '06 and Garvin.

Overall Men's Team		Scoring
1.	Bucknell	701
2.	Lehigh	632.50
3.	American	580.50
4.	U.S. Military Academy	564
5.	Colgate	365
6.	Lafayette	342
7.	Holy Cross	183

The second day started the same way the first had ended, with another 2nd place. This time it was in the 200 medley relay. The team of Kretzer, Guskey, Garvin and Willats finished in 1:32.00. The Bison continued to rack up the points as the day went on. Hallowell (7th) and Gonzalo Diaz '03 (13th) swam well in the 400 individual medley. Garvin and Kretzer swam their second event of the day, placing 5th and 6th in the 100 butterfly. Bauer swam to another 5th-place finish with a 1:43.79 in the 500 freestyle, and McCoy placed 10th.

The final for the 100 breaststroke was filled with Bucknell swimmers. They had six top sixteen times, five of which were top eight times. Guskey was second with a 55.76. Schwanhausser was 4th with a 56.66. Saffos (57.49), William Schilling '06 (58.05) and Konopka (58.59) secured 6th, 7th and 8th places, respectively. Andrew Steiner '05 was 12th with a 59.51.

The day ended with good performances by Feinthel (4th), Kretzer (6th), Michael Harrigan '04 (13th) and Willats (15th) in the 100 backstroke, and the 5th-place 800 freestyle relay team of Bauer, Kretzer, Hallowell and McCoy in a 6:59.24.

The final day of the meet held three firsts for the Bison. It began with impressive swims from Bauer (2nd), McCoy (5th), Diaz (7th) and Steiner (10th) in the mile. Adam Freeman then earned enough points (299.73) in the one-meter diving. Feinthel added more points with a 5th in the 200 backstroke in a 1:53.19.

Garvin gained his second individual gold of the meet in the 100 freestyle in a pool record time of 45.58; Thieman was 9th in the event. The 200 breast stroke was another event filled with Bucknellians. Schwanhausser and Schilling finished 3rd and 4th, respectively. Konopka and Steiner were 7th and 11th, respectively.

Kretzer won the second individual event of the day for the Bison with 1:52.66 in the 200 butterfly. Harrigan (10th), Hallowell (14th) and Diaz (2:02.33) also all swam well. Bucknell solidified its win with a 3rd in the 400 freestyle relay, which was made up of Thieman, Saffos, Willats and Garvin.

Head Coach Jerry Foley was the recipient of the Coach's Award.

"For the seniors this capped off our swimming careers, and for the underclassmen it set forth a tradition that will continue for many years," McCoy said.

The team was able to capitalize on its depth and great performances from everyone.

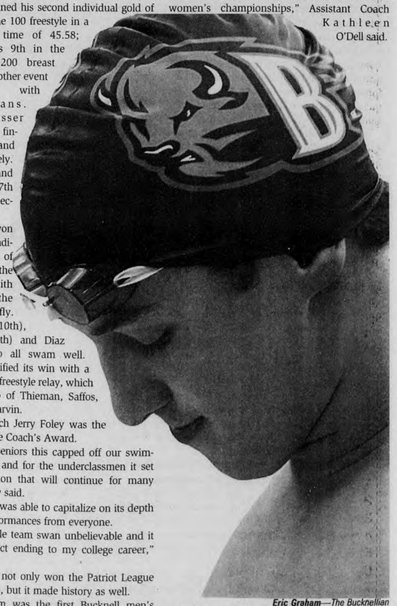
"Our whole team swan unbelievable and it was the perfect ending to my college career," Feinthel said.

The team not only won the Patriot League Championship, but it made history as well.

"This team was the first Bucknell men's swimming and diving team to win a Patriot League Championship, and the combined women's victory marked the first time in the Patriot League swimming and diving history for one University to win both the men's and women's championships," Assistant Coach Kathleen O'Dell said.

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

A Bucknell breast stroker forges through the water during last weekend's Patriot League Championships. The men's team claimed the championship by outscoring nearest opponent Lehigh with a solid 68.5-point margin.



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Stelios Saffos '03 takes a break after participating in the 400 freestyle relay.

Sports

Lacrosse drops season opener

By Pat Evans
Sports Editor

The men's lacrosse team dropped its season opener against a highly touted 9th-ranked North Carolina squad 13-3. The Bison scored the first two goals of the contest but were dominated the rest of the way.

The Tar Heels won 18 of the game's 20 faceoffs and outshot the Bison 55-22, dominating the critical category of time of possession.

"Our defense was doing a good job holding them, but there's only so much you can do when a team as good as North Carolina has the ball for about 80 percent of the time," goalie Justin Sussman '03 said.

Stormy weather conditions certainly were a factor for the Bison, who had been unable to practice outside coming into the match. When the defense did get the ball they were often unable get the transition game going, which could have been attributed to the slippery conditions' effect on their sticks. Whatever the reason, that was the deciding factor of the game.

"When the defense gets possession but fails to get the ball to the offense, it's a problem," Head Coach Sid Jamieson said. "And the few times that the offense did get the ball, we didn't take advantage of it."

The Bison started the game strong with Chris Cara '05 and Patrick Christenson '05 tallying the first goals of the contest, but after that it was all Tar Heels as Andrew Sanders '03 scored the Bison's last goal at the 6-3 mark.

"We started the game off well," Cara said. "We kept the ball moving by passing it around on offense, but then they just controlled the game after that."

Like the Bison, the Tar Heels have most of their team returning from last year and have a highly powerful offense. Unfortunately for the Bison, the Tar Heels were able to use their offense more often.

"They are so precise," Sussman said. "They rarely threw the ball away, which made it difficult for us to get possession."

Jamieson sees the major areas of improvement as faceoffs and defensive clearing of the ball, two things the Bison will work on for their next game this weekend at Harvard.

"These are fixable problems that we have," Jamieson said. "It's not like we are physically unable to get better, which is very good news."

Since the North Carolina game was not a Patriot League contest, which the Bison value more because of its implications regarding the NCAA bid, they try to view it as a learning experience more than anything else.

"We've got to learn the lessons that this game taught us," Jamieson said. "It's time to put the old results to bed and go out and play the next one. We look to improve every time we play; that's the key."

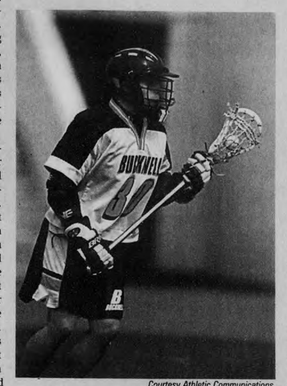
The Bison have kept their heads up and realize that they have a long season in front of them that will not be determined by one game.

They've been studying tape of Harvard, who edged them out last year 10-9, and are confident that they will be on the winning side this time.

"We feel like we match up much better against Harvard than we did against North Carolina," Cara said. "It seems like our plays should work well."

The Bison's outlook on the season as a whole has not changed with the opening loss.

"Obviously we would have loved to have done better," Sussman said. "But we know we're a good team. We've got to come out and turn this thing around and we are very confident that we can do that."



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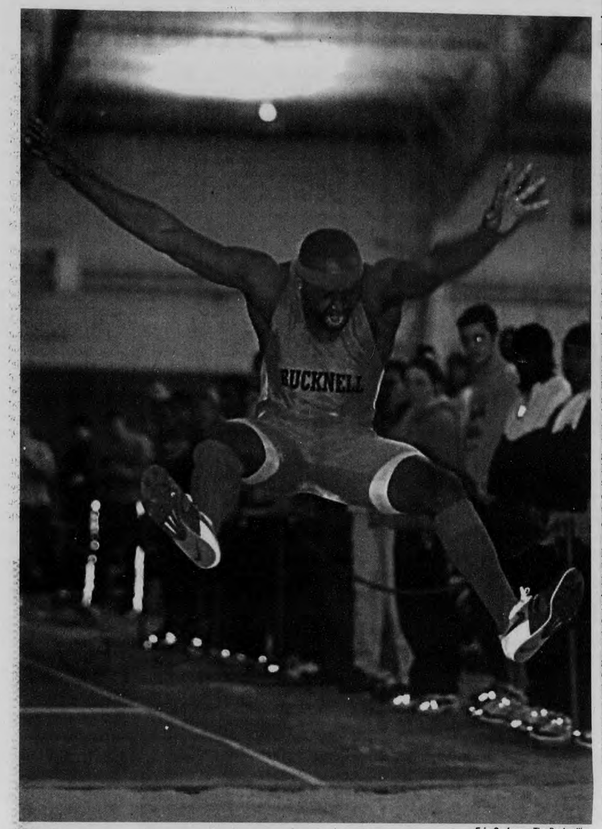
Chris Cara '05 charges down the field with the ball during a game last year. Cara and the Bison fell to North Carolina 13-3 in their season opener.



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Noel Powell '04 leaps during the long jump in a January meet at Gerhard Fieldhouse. Powell won the long jump at Patriot League Championships, setting a new meet record in the process.

Lady Bison repeat as P.L. Champs

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points in the mid-distance and distance races to ensure runner-up status, but since American's track team is primarily made up of mid- and long distance runners, it has been tapping into the Bison's points. Lafayette used the American/Bucknell dogfight to its advantage by developing its team primarily around sprinters.

"It is obvious that their [American] distance program is national-class. I think they will force everyone else in the league including us to step it up," Donner said.

The men did have a few bright spots. Noel Powell '04 set a new Patriot League meet record in winning the long jump. Unfortunately, a knee injury hurt him in his bid to win the 200. Coming off a somewhat disappointing 5th in the 5,000, Bryan Johnston '03 came back to finish 2nd in the 3,000, losing by a mere half-second.

Other Bison competed as hard as they have all season, but came up short. Lou Palma '03 pulled the quadruple by leading the Bison to 3rd place in the 4x800, 4th in the mile, 3rd in the 800 and 2nd in the distance medley relay. Emory Strother '04 leapt to 2nd in the high jump and 4th in the long jump, and Mike Mellas '04 set two personal bests in taking 5th in the triple jump and 4th in the pentathlon. Adam Kaufman threw a seasonal best to grab 4th in the weight throw, and Justin Alden-Dunn '06 set a personal best in the pole vault to earn 5th place.

Although pleased with a few individuals' performances, the coaching staff was not entirely happy with the team as whole.

"I don't think the guys came together as a group," Klim said.

Donner said there were team problems as well.

"We had a few mental errors and a little bad luck in a few key events which were not offset with some other events," Donner said.

Klim was disappointed in the team's luck.

"Richard Alexander ['03] had the fastest qualifying time in the 55 hurdles semifinals and then got hit in the arm by the guy next to him going over the first hurdle in the finals. It's unfortunate, but what can you do?" Klim said.

Don't expect the men to dwell on loses or the women to rest on their laurels for too much longer though.

"We have to regroup. In the short term, we want to do well at ECAC/IC4A and in the long term, the women want to reclaim their outdoor title, while the men want to at least get back into 2nd for outdoor leagues again," Wilson said.

Patriot League Championships
Colgate University
February 21–23, 2003
Women's Scores

Rank	School	Score
1	Bucknell	180
2	U.S. Military Academy	120
3	U.S. Naval Academy	114
4	Lehigh	90
5	American	48
6	Colgate	34
7	Lafayette	26
8	College of the Holy Cross	8

Patriot League Championships
Colgate University
February 21–23, 2003
Men's Scores

Rank	School	Score
1	U.S. Military Academy	191
2	Lafayette	109
3	Bucknell	99
4	American	69
5	Lehigh	61
6	Colgate	56
7	College of the Holy Cross	21
8	U.S. Naval Academy	14

The Junge Watch

Following Bucknell's major-league alumnus

Last September, Bucknell graduate Eric Junge '99 enjoyed a successful stint with major-league baseball's Philadelphia Phillies, earning two wins and compiling a 1.42 ERA in 12.2 innings of work. Junge, the first Bison to play in the majors since 1958, is currently working out with the Phillies at their spring training, which commenced in mid-February.

The Bucknellian will continue to track Junge as he vies for a position on the Phillies' pitching staff and adds to his major-league experience during the 2003 season.

The latest news: In his first spring training appearance of 2003, Junge earned a save against the Pittsburgh Pirates. He pitched 2.1 scoreless innings, giving up a hit and a walk and striking out one during the solid outing. He also scored a run after being walked in his only plate appearance.

2002 major-league statistics

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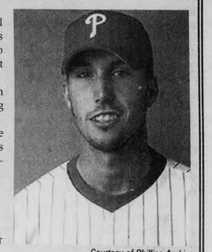
Compiled by Cecily Cairns, Sports Editor



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Bucknell Calendar

Women's Basketball
vs. Holy Cross
Fri., Feb. 28
6 p.m.

vs. Colgate
Sun., March 2
1 p.m.

Men's Lacrosse
at Harvard
Saturday, March 1
1 p.m.

Men's and Women's
Swimming and Diving
ECAC Championships
Pittsburgh, Pa.
Fri., Feb. 28, Sat., March 1 and Sun., March 2

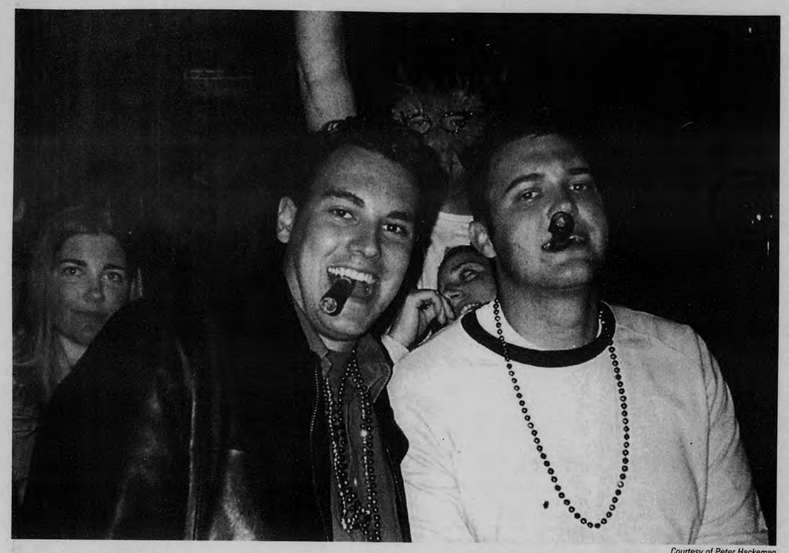
Men's Basketball
vs. Holy Cross
Friday, Feb. 28
9 p.m.

vs. Colgate
Sun. March 2
3:15 p.m.

Women's Lacrosse
vs. Niagara
Sunday, March 2
1 p.m.

FEATURES

Working on the campaign trail: Louisiana



Courtesy of Peter Hackeman

Peter Hackeman '04 (left) and another campaign operative celebrate on Bourbon Street in the days after Democratic Sen. Mary Landrieu's victory. Hackeman joined Landrieu's campaign as a field coordinator after working for four months on Carlos Nolla's Representative campaign in Kansas.

By Peter Hackeman
Opinions Editor

"I'm just going to go and see what happens. It's the only race left in the country. Everyone who is anyone will be there. It's going to be a close race but I think she can win. The party needs a win to get going in the right direction again; man, does the party need a win right now," I said. But really, the most important reason I was about to take a month-long detour on my cross-country trip home was that I could and I didn't know when in the rest of my life I would be able to do something like that.

As the disappointment from the result of our race in Kansas subsided, I spent a couple of evenings talking to the family of our campaign treasurer. Tom Docking had been a lieutenant governor and gubernatorial nominee before advising our campaign, which had ended a week before our conversation. His wife, Jill, ran an impressive campaign for U.S. Senate in 1996 before coming up just short at the end. They now had a son in law school, a daughter in the middle of her senior year in high school and two successful careers, him as a lawyer and her in financial services. I couldn't have found people better suited to listen to for advice and wisdom about balancing politics, careers and family.

For the first time in almost three years, I didn't have a girlfriend to race home to. When my brother, the most important person in my life, told me to go for the campaign instead of coming home and that we would have enough time to catch up after the campaign, I made up my mind to drive to Louisiana for the Senate runoff between Democratic Sen. Mary Landrieu and her Republican challenger, Suzanne Haik Terrell.

The only glitch in this plan was that the Landrieu campaign hadn't hired me yet. In fact, although I had spoken with the field director, there was no promise of a job when I left Wichita, Kan., for the two-day drive to Baton Rouge, La. I arrived at the Democratic Party Headquarters, waited for a few hours to meet with the field director, and finally convinced him that I knew how to be a field organizer.

It was a good thing that he hired me that evening, because I didn't have enough credit left on my credit cards for a hotel room. I had a small amount of cash left, but that would be necessary for gas and food if I needed to drive from Louisiana to home in Virginia. That evening, I was excited to be given the key at a hotel so dirty that half of our group refused to sleep there and left to pay for their own hotel room somewhere else. In fact, had I not been hired that day, I had been fully prepared to spend the night in my car before starting my journey home.

I was joining hundreds of campaign staff who had just arrived in the state for this runoff election. We were all here because Louisiana's election laws are a little bit different than the rest of the states'. Instead of having a primary system where each party picks one nominee for each position during the spring or summer, Louisiana allows as many people from each party as want to run. The only stipulation is that if none of the candidates received more than 50 percent of the votes, there is a runoff a month later between the top two vote-getters. In this case, Landrieu had led the race on Nov. 5 with 46 percent. Leading a field of three Republicans was Elections Commissioner Terrell, who received 27 percent. Now, the runoff election was set for Dec. 7.

Each party sent campaign workers from all over the country to work on this race. I was eventually assigned to work with a crew of field organizers from South Dakota. They had just finished winning the Senate race there by 527 votes, or 0.16 percent. The parking lots of most of the hotels in Baton Rouge contained groups of cars from faraway states. Our hotel had three cars from Virginia, one from New Jersey, two from New York and about nine from South Dakota. Next door there was a La Quinta that had five or six cars from Florida and Texas. Most of these cars had bumper stickers on them—"Tim Johnson for Senate" on the South Dakota cars, "Bush for Governor" on Florida's cars or "Cornyn for Senate" on the cars from Texas. The sight of these cars rolling out of the parking lot at 8 every morning and then reappearing at 8 or 9 every night, for three or four straight weeks must have confused many of the locals.

This was the way each party intended to win the race, with massive amounts of field personnel. The rest of the factors in the race contributed to an even match. The Republicans brought in U.S. Vice President Dick Cheney and U.S. President George W. Bush to gain media attention and increase name recognition for Terrell. Landrieu relied on her record of service to the state and the fact that most of the people in Louisiana already knew who she was.

Courtesy of Peter Hackeman

Members of the Baton Rouge district field team relax at a local restaurant late on the night of the runoff election. The campaign workers enjoyed the culture and vitality of the local area, including Louisiana State University.

Both parties spent enormous amounts of money on the race. In fact, the other senator from Louisiana, Democratic Sen. John Breaux, said that the runoff election brought so much money into the state that he considered it "the second Louisiana Purchase."

Our team was responsible for the counties around Baton Rouge and on the border with Mississippi in the eastern part of the state. We spent the daytime hours canvassing registered Democrats to remind them to vote and to give them information about Landrieu. In the evenings, we called more voters, sometimes to pitch our candidate, sometimes to prospect for volunteers. After the calls, we usually got some food and went back to the hotel for our daily meeting. Once again, I was the youngest person there. Only two other members where still in college. And despite working together for over half a year in South Dakota, I was welcomed into their circle and soon found myself in a familiar, comfortable role.

We spent a week making contacts with local officials in each of our counties. I worked with a staffer name Anna in Tangipahoa County, which contains a string of towns along U.S. Highway 55. Hammond, Independence, Amite and Kentwood were the big population centers. Some people had heard of Kentwood, La., before and were trying to figure out why it sounded familiar. The clerk at the front desk overheard us and walked over to tell us about Louisiana's favorite daughter, one Britney Spears. It turned out that Spears was born and still had a home in Kentwood. How funny it would be, we mused, to be walking around, knocking on doors for Landrieu and to have Britney Spears answer the door. Highly unlikely, we thought, but not impossible.

During the next two and a half weeks, we continued this routine. Many nights, after our meeting, we went out to a restaurant or bar and relaxed and enjoyed each other's company. Our group was made up of highly motivated and intelligent 20-somethings who had left their homes for a one-month campaign in a faraway state. I got to know these people as more than coworkers and found that they were very impressive. But most evenings, we just relaxed and had fun.

There was also another group of campaign workers who worked out of our office. They had been in South Carolina during the fall campaign and they now oversaw field work inside Baton Rouge. I met many of them and quickly developed friendships with them. In a place where no one knows any of the locals, where you work side-by-side for 12 hours a day and then socialize for the last two hours each day with the same people, you find out quickly who you get along with and who you don't. It was fortunate for us that there were never any serious problems between any of the staff and we were able to have fun no matter who was at our table.

I spent the last few days before the election exclusively in Tangipahoa putting up yard signs and making sure that our election day activities were sufficiently planned. I met a woman who volunteered to canvass with us one weekend. When I mentioned that I was looking for a place to stay in the parish so that I could avoid the hour-long commute from Baton Rouge, she insisted that I stay at her house in the guestroom. In fact, she invited me to meet the rest of her family at dinner that night. When I got back to Baton Rouge and told my friends that while they were eating at Outback Steakhouse or Ruby Tuesday's for the 10th time in two weeks, I had been treated to some Louisiana home cooking, they all groaned and decided that the only thing to take their minds off the food their mothers used to make for them was a late-night trip to the bar.

For the last two nights before the election, after working until 11 or 12 at night, I drove to her family's house. Despite my pleadings for them not to stay up, she and her husband were always awake, waiting for me to come over. And both times they had dinner saved for me and in the microwave when I walked in. I know that in addition to the adrenaline, the good food I ate during the last three days helped me get by on minimal sleep.

On election day, all of the staff fanned out to the targeted parishes. When I woke up, after two hours of sleep, my hosts were already dressed and ready to come out and help us win the election. We canvassed all day until the poll closed. First in one city, then 20 minutes up the road in another, then back down to the first city to find all the people who weren't home during the first sweep. By the time we had finished canvassing again, there were only 30 minutes left until the polls closed. Since we didn't have enough time to drive to the next target, we pulled out our cell phones and started calling from our list of voters to remind them to hurry to the polls.

As the polls closed, we got into our cars to begin the drive back home. I heard from headquarters that turnout in the most Democratic, most dense part of New Orleans was way above expected. As news of this spread, we all felt very good about Landrieu's chances. I decided not to go directly back to headquarters, but stopped off at my host family's house to say thanks. When I got there, we had one last meal together as we watched the news coverage of the race. At first, we were losing by 10 percent, but this was with only about 20 percent of the precincts reporting. Each time a few more precincts reported their returns, our deficit shrunk.

Over grilled chicken and jambalaya, I watched Landrieu be declared the winner by a margin of just under 4 percent. We said our goodbyes and I got in the car for the trip back to headquarters. I arrived to find a celebration in progress and just as I walked in the door, Landrieu began her acceptance speech. Everyone was cheering, all the way from me, the lowly field operative, to the district director, the regional director, the statewide field director, to the executive director of the state party. For a fly on the wall, it would have been hard to identify just who was who at that moment.

That night, we went out to our favorite bar. Coincidentally, the Republican operatives from the area were also there. It turned out that most of these guys had also been in South Dakota for that Senate race. Over the course of five weeks, they had been beaten by a handful of votes once and then by about 3.5 percent again, by the same field organization. The two groups were cordial and respectful, more so than I think I would have anticipated. They were dismayed and tired; we were excited but not intent on rubbing their noses in our win.

The next morning, we packed up at the hotel and drove to New Orleans. This was my second time in the city; the first time had been just before Thanksgiving when we had our Thanksgiving dinner at Ruby Tuesday's. This time we got a hotel blocks from Bourbon Street and proceeded to celebrate the win. Almost all of the staff from the rest of the state descended on the city that evening. In one club, I asked the emcee to give a shout out to South Dakota and South Carolina. He looked at me with disbelief and I smiled and told him to give it a shot. Much to his shock and the other half of the patrons in the club, fully half of the people there raised their drinks into the air and screamed. Needless to say, we enjoyed ourselves for a couple of days before finally saying our goodbyes and heading out on our different roots home.

Courtesy of Reuters

Landrieu speaks to supporters after winning the December runoff election. Defeating Republican challenger Suzanne Haik Terrell by a margin less than 4 percent, Landrieu won her second term in the U.S. Senate.

FEATURES

Fulbright Scholar returns from Russia

Rae Purcell—The Bucknellian

Associate Professor of Geography Karen Morin is a Fulbright Scholar. She spent three months last fall in Russia giving weekly lectures at Nizhni Novgorod State University on different aspects of cultural geography.

By Alyson Walker
Features Editor

Associate Professor of Geography Karen Morin returned to the United States in November after spending three months as a Fulbright Scholar in Russia, accompanied by her husband and two children.

Morin gave a weekly lecture at Nizhni Novgorod State University, located in Nizhni Novgorod, Russia, formerly known as Gorky. The different topics included aspects of cultural geography like the symbolism of monuments, gender roles and the American West.

Students were inquisitive about the topics of her lectures, as well as gender issues and American society.

"What they usually wanted to hear about was gender issues, especially wondering what I thought about gender relations in Russia as compared with the United States, and regardless of the topic I had been lecturing about," Morin said. "They also seemed interested in anything American, even the most mundane topics, such as American holidays and things like weddings. I tried to build some time in for these questions."

In general, Morin said that the Russians were very warm and inviting to her and her family. The city had been a closed city until 1991, and for many people her family was among the first Americans they had ever met. They were eager to ask her family questions. Morin's family gave a talk at a high school one day and enjoyed sharing information about the United States.

"The Russians received me with enthusiasm and were very welcoming. They seemed interested in what I had to say. That was a really pleasant experience, very enjoyable as a professor," Morin said. "When I finished a lecture, several hands would immediately go up—I just don't get that kind of response here, either in class or at conferences. It was very gratifying."

The students were also very interested by the symbolism of monuments and buildings. Morin said that the difference between the monuments in Russia and the United States is that the Russians appear to have more monuments in honor of literary figures and scientists, whereas in the United States military figures are more common. The class also discussed the symbolic nature of buildings such as the World Trade Center.

Morin was impressed with the high caliber of students that she found in the International Relations department at Nizhni Novgorod State University.

"As a University professor, I've always appreciated how smart Bucknell students are, but yet they seem to be very narrowly educated compared to the Russian students I interacted with," Morin said. "They came into the university very broadly educated in history, literature, music—they were just very knowledgeable in a well-rounded way. They could recite poetry off the cuff, and these were students majoring in international relations. I learned a lot from them in that sense; they were very enthusiastic and eager to learn. They always had questions."

While in Russia, Morin also sat on three conference panels. She said that conferences in Russia were less formal than those in the United States. Morin found the audience to be very interested and open to dialoguing about the topics.

"I loved going to conferences there because people really wanted to debate the issues, they were very engaged and seemed truly interested in solving social problems, to the point they'd get in yelling matches with one other," Morin said. "This is not typical of a conference here—I wish we were as passionate about our work. As an outsider, I found it refreshing, but no doubt that model has its own problems."

For the conferences, Morin had to use an interpreter. She discovered how large an obstacle a language barrier can be, especially in a debate.

"I also found out how tedious it is to use an interpreter, especially as a participant on a conference panel, trying to participate. You're once-removed from the conversation—hearing everything twice and behind in the conversation at all times. I gained a new sympathy for people who always have to use them," Morin said.

Nizhni Novgorod has been experiencing economic uncertainty as a result of the collapse of the U.S.S.R. It is the third largest city in Russia as well as a major industrial center, but it is still economically turbulent. Morin saw the effects of the transition to a market economy.

"From my limited experience and conversations I had with people over there, it seems that most are worse off now than they were 10 years ago. There's a new poverty, especially among the elderly. Wages are pathetically low, even for professors and doctors, and most people seem barely able to make ends meet," Morin said. "The elderly seem to be looking back to the Stalin years with nostalgia, because they had more social security then than they do now. There's an emerging wealthy business class, but for most, things are very uncertain with this turn towards the market economy."

Morin found her experience as a Fulbright Scholar rewarding—for herself and also as a growing experience for her entire family. Some of the cultural aspects that they explored were a variety of museums.

"We did a lot of things that we don't take the time to do here. We went to museums constantly, of all sorts. Andrey Sakharov, the dissident nuclear physicist, was exiled to this city in 1980, and his apartment has been turned into a museum, complete with all the KGB spy cameras he endured," Morin said. "There are numerous museums to Maxim Gorky in the city, the writer whom Stalin ha named the city after."

Morin lived three blocks from an opera house, which her family attended almost weekly. She said that it was very much part of the mainstream culture.

"Opera is very popular in Nizhni Novgorod—kids would get dropped off at the opera house like we would drop our kids off at the movies. And it's a 'people's opera,' very inexpensive, participatory and nationalistic," Morin said. "Most of the works performed seemed to feature Russian composers, especially Tchaikovsky. One of the most enjoyable aspects for me was the performing arts."

Although there were many pleasant parts of the trip, Morin said that other parts were a struggle for her and her family.

"There were really wonderful aspects to it, but it was also very challenging on a day-to-day basis. There are things we all loved about Russia but there were also just real challenges—inconsistent heat and inconsistent hot water—or lack of it for weeks at a time," Morin said. "It was very cold, and dark. It was 23 degrees below zero [Celsius] when we left and this was in the end of November."

Despite these hardships, Morin felt the trip was beneficial for her family.

"I think [the children] really matured a lot, living in the challenging circumstances. And we bonded quite a bit more than we usually do because we had more time together. It was a personal benefit of the Fulbright," Morin said.

The trip was valuable to Morin as a geographer.

"As a geographer, it's just good to experience other places, and as many as possible. It's a cliché but a true one, that the real benefit of travel is better understanding yourself, and home," Morin said.

Morin's bachelor and doctoral degrees are from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, and her master's degree is from Bowling Green State University. She joined the University in 1995.

The Fulbright Scholar Award was established in 1946 by Arkansas Senator William Fulbright to create common understanding between the United States and other countries. Morin is one of approximately 800 Fulbright Scholars traveling to 140 countries throughout the 2002-03 academic year.

Satellite allows astronomers to obtain precise measurements

By Kyle Lange
Writer

Astronomers announced that recent observations from Wilkinson Microwave Anisotropy Probe (WMAP) have offered a more precise estimate for the age of the universe—it is 13.7 billion years old, with a 1 percent margin of error.

The WMAP satellite measures the temperature of astronomical microwaves within one-millionth of a degree. These microwaves began to permeate the universe after the formation of hydrogen, 380,000 years after the big bang. By measuring the temperature of the microwave radiation, WMAP provided a baby picture of the universe.

According to Science News, scientists were able to determine the age of the universe by analyzing the size of warmer and cooler clusters of microwave radiation. Since WMAP has a resolution 33 times better than its predecessor, the Cosmic Background Explorer (COBE), this measurement of the age of the universe is much more accurate than previous measurements.

Associate Professor of Physics Jeff Bowen, acquainted with those who worked on the COBE project, emphasized the importance of the WMAP observations.

"This is superconfirmation of general relativity and the big-bang model," Bowen said.

In addition to confirming general relativity and the big-bang model, WMAP provided valuable information on the composition of the universe. By analyzing microwave temperature fluctuations, scientists also showed that only 4 percent of the universe is made up of material that we consider matter, namely our familiar atoms and molecules. The universe is primarily composed of more exotic stuff: dark matter and dark energy.

Nearly one quarter of the universe (23 percent) is composed of dark matter. Bowen admitted that the properties of dark matter are relatively unknown.

"Dark matter is stuff with mass that does not interact with photons like normal matter," Bowen said. "If you heat it up, it does not emit radiation."

Scientists have not yet been able to detect dark matter itself, but have seen its gravitational effects. Stars and galaxies appear to be effected by gravitational forces that indicate the existence of hidden, undetectable matter.

The remainder (73 percent) of the universe is made up of dark energy, a massless antigravity. Dark energy has also not been directly detected by scientists, but its effects have been observed. Without dark energy, the universe would collapse under the force of gravity, resulting in a "big crunch" (the opposite of the big bang).

The WMAP results also showed that the first light appeared in the universe 200 million years after the big bang. Before this time, the universe was so dense that any light would be absorbed by the surrounding matter before it traveled. Since that time, radiation has had free reign to travel throughout the cosmos.

These findings surprised most cosmologists, whose models predict the formation of the first stars at a much later time in the evolution of the universe.

Perhaps WMAP's most useful data came in its measurement of the polarization of the microwaves in the universe. WMAP has instruments to detect the orientation of microwaves in a given direction. Different theories of the origin of the universe predict different polarizations for the microwaves.

According to Science News, WMAP's polarization measurements eliminated all current models except for an inflationary model that predicts that the universe experienced a tremendous expansion due to dark energy in the first infinitesimal fraction of a second after the big bang.

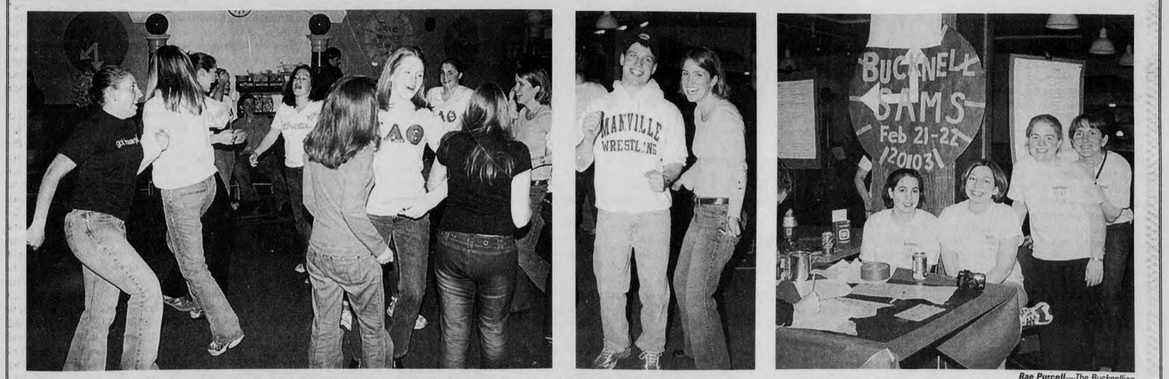
Assistant Professor of Physics Ned Ladd explained how scientists determine the validity of a model.

"It's the idea of the last man standing," Ladd said. "Einstein's theory of general relativity is universally accepted because it explains what other theories cannot."

Scientists hope that over the next three years WMAP will provide them with more information on the inflationary model. Initially launched in 2001, WMAP has been taking data from the opposite side of the moon. Its location shields it from microwave radiation emitted by humans and the sun. This makes it an ideal vantage point to observe the radiation left over from the big bang.

This heralds a new age for the field of cosmology. In the past, cosmologists have not been able to obtain precise measurements due to the limitations of their equipment. WMAP's results have allowed cosmologists to eliminate erroneous theories and work on fine-tuning the inflationary model. In addition, they will now focus their efforts in trying to explain the twin enigmas of dark matter and dark energy.

SAMS dancers rock around the clock to raise money for cause



Rae Purcell—The Bucknellian

Students have fun at the Students Against Multiple Sclerosis (SAMS) 24-hour marathon dance fundraiser. The dance, which ran from Friday at 5 p.m. until Saturday at 5 p.m., raised over $1,500 for the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. Many student organizations pledged $30 for an hour at the dance, ensuring a steady number of dancers throughout the fundraiser. Bryan Kitch '05 and Angie Casey '05 danced for all 24 hours.

Arts & Entertainment

SR-71 proves rock is here to stay

Revamped rock group jammed at Uptown for large crowd on Saturday night

By Chad Flood
Senior Writer

❖ Concert Review

When The Who's Roger Daltrey first uttered the classic line, "Rock is dead, they say, long live rock," I wonder if he had bands like SR-71 in mind. Saturday night was the band's second appearance at Uptown, and once again the club was completely packed with fans hungry to hear tracks from the band's new album, "Tomorrow," as well as a few previous hits.

Having seen the band in its first performance here, I had fairly high expectations. Things have changed for the band since its last visit to the University. Two members recently quit the band, a move that could easily have destroyed the four-piece. With dedication, the remaining musicians found replacements, and were soon ready to get back on the road and prove that a little adversity would not discourage them.

My excitement for a solid evening of rock music was almost vanquished from the start; the band took the stage and began to sing to a techno-ish beat played over the speakers. Within a minute, the lights were up, the instruments were on and my fears were soon quelled as the band tore through "Tomorrow's" opening track, "They All Fall Down."

The entire show had a noticeable old-time rock 'n' roll feel to it, as the band performed several new tracks, as well as old favorites like "Politically Correct" and the song that made them famous, "Right Now," not to mention a crowd-pleasing cover of "I Want You To Want Me." The band also went back to its roots, reviving a few songs from its virtually unknown first record, in addition to one it recorded under a completely different name. Saturday was all about who SR-71 is now.

Chad Flood—The Bucknellian

SR-71's lead singer and guitarist, Mitch Allen, takes the stage at Uptown and gets personal with the crowd by joking about being a rock star. Uptown was packed with the band's excited, screaming fans Saturday night.

In addition to the music, Mitch Allen (lead-singer/guitarist) took hold of the crowd, joking about being a rock star and all of the illicit activities in which he and his band mates would be engaging in after the show. While his comments could have been seen by some as over-the-top or offensive, it seemed to me exactly what a school like the University needed—a controversial and fun event that didn't step on too many toes. If the night did nothing else, it showed that a modern-day concert-going audience can still appreciate the fundamentals of rock music, and, as a music lover, it's hard to explain how important that is.

Opera company to give spring concert

By Beth Kengeter
Staff Writer

The Bucknell Opera Company's spring production will take on a brand new format this year. A collection of portions from larger operas sung in a concert manner, the performance will be held at 8 p.m. Saturday in the Weis Center for the Performing Arts.

"This spring our performance date is more than a month earlier than usual," Associate Professor of Music and director of the Opera Company Catherine Payn said. "Since it is not possible to mount our usual type of production with such diminished rehearsal time, we are taking the opportunity to do semi-staged, concert versions of small sections of several wonderful operas we wouldn't have the personnel to produce fully."

This semester's cast includes Rachel Crane '03, Amanda Robie '03, Eric Loveland '03, Nadra Nash '03, Kyle McGee '04 and Brianne Wright '05, all of whom appreciate the new format.

"I think it will be great," McGee said. "I am very excited because we are doing some lighter musical theater numbers which we have not done in the past, while maintaining our reputation of performing difficult opera pieces as well. The combination should be entertaining for all."

Robie will be singing in her final Opera Company performance.

"It will be very much like a concert," Robie said. "Everyone will wear evening gowns and tuxes."

The first half of the program will include music from Gaetano Donizetti's "Don Pasquale," Giacomo Puccini's "Suor Angelica," Donizetti's "Daughter of the Regiment" and Puccini's "La Rondine." The second half of the show will be comprised of an extended set of solos and ensembles by George Gershwin, Cole Porter, Stephen Sondheim and Richard Rogers.

McGee will be performing in a scene from "Don Pasquale" and "Lost in the Stars" from the play of the same name.

"I have enjoyed the aria from Don Pasquale because it offered a challenge both musically and with the Italian," McGee said. "'Lost in the Stars' is a beautiful piece. It is a story really, and that makes it a great opportunity to connect with the audience."

Robie will be performing in Puccini's "Suor Angelica" and Bernstein's "Trouble in Tahiti."

"I like the Puccini because it is very dark and that's something new for me," Robie said. "I have to really get into the character. For the same reason, I really like the Bernstein. It's very much a character piece—I have to know what she's feeling."

The company will sing other pieces as well.

"In addition, this program gives the singers the opportunity to explore the songs of Gershwin, Sondheim, Porter and Rogers in the manner many opera singers are doing all over the world these days. Michael Brody of Dogwood Hill is constructing an elegant floral 'set' for the evening, which will set the tone for the program," Payn said.

Loveland thinks students will enjoy the new format.

"I think that this is a great opportunity to stimulate greater interest in the company's work," Loveland said. "Hopefully we'll be able to attract a wide variety of audience members—those who would rather see a concert than see singers act, and also individuals who have a love for musical theater but have been put off by opera for one reason or another."

The production is free and open to the public.

Kendall strings audience along

By Dave Allen
Staff Writer

❖ Concert Review

Nicolas Kendall, already an internationally acclaimed violinist at 23 years old, gave a stunning performance Friday at the Weis Center for the Performing Arts. The program ranged widely in terms of both style and time period while exhibiting his remarkable technical skill and beautiful, resonant sound.

The centerpiece of the concert was the first work after intermission. Daniel Kellogg composed "And the Dust Shall Sing Like a Bird" especially for Kendall and Pei-Yao Wang, the violinist's classmates at the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia. Kendall addressed the audience after intermission to introduce the work. It was inspired by the poem "Ceremony after a Fire Raid" by Dylan Thomas.

"There's a few angry sections," Kendal said. "I can't say 'Enjoy it,' but let it speak for itself."

A recording of Thomas reading his poem was played with all stage lighting lowered before Kendall and Wang began playing. Thomas' booming voice reciting the disturbing images of war set the scene very well for the highly bracing, unsettling work. To begin the piece, Kendall's violin was a high-pitched, focused beam of sound over sparse, sometimes dissonant piano accompaniment.

Much of the piece veered back and forth between smooth, lyrical passages and frenzied attacks of both violin and piano. Kendall alternated rapid staccato bowing with urgent, drawn-out chords building to the "angry sections" of the very aggressive playing he had mentioned. The piece closed with delicate playing in the violin's very upper range, with the piano accompaniment still contributing to the undercurrent of dissonance that pervaded the entire work.

The concert's program notes listed Kendall's, as well as Wang's, many accolades. Particularly interesting were Kendall's ancestry and Wang's early development in music. Kendall's grandfather was the first string teacher to instruct students using the famed Suzuki method in the United States, and Wang began playing piano at age 5 and appeared in recital at the Taipei Cultural Center in Taiwan at age 8.

Kendall performed Peter Ilych Tchaikovsky's piece, "Meditation," from memory. The work maintained a smooth, reflective feel almost entirely throughout. Constant tempo variations pushed Kendall's playing to broad flourishes and a cadenza from the very highest range of the violin to the very bottom. As the piece came to a still, calm conclusion, Kendall demonstrated exceptional skill in sustaining long notes without wavering even slightly.

"Tin Pan Alley," the third movement of Paul Schoenfield's "Four Souvenirs," was in a laid-back jazz style, reminiscent of the works of George Gershwin. It was neither loud and frenzied nor soft and lyrical, but was a fine setup for the fast-paced final movement.

"The Square Dance," which drove the concert to the end, allowed Kendall to show off bluegrass-style fiddle playing. His playing seemed to imitate a square dance caller, careening from the extreme high end of the violin's range to the extreme low end in a jaunty, frenetic dance. He played with such fervor that a string on his bow snapped and could be seen dangling as he took his bows at the concert's end.

Aniela Rahardja '06 attended the concert because she had heard about Wang's fame as a pianist, but enjoyed Kendall's performance as well.

"[Wang] tended to draw the focus away from him [Kendall] because she moves around a lot more," Rahardja said.

After the concert, Christian Stebbins '05 expressed his enjoyment of the performance.

"I was impressed with the entire concert," Stebbins said.

Later this year, Kendall will debut as a soloist at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C., and at the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum in Boston.

Alumna Lynn Eustis to sing at Weis Center

Returning to the University, singer will give a guest recital with pianist Greg Ritchey

Courtesy of William Payn

Lynn Eustis '87 will give a musical performance with pianist Greg Ritchey on Monday night. Eustis is noted for her ability to sing in many languages.

By Leah Cunningham
Arts & Entertainment Editor

Musician Lynn Eustis '87 will be performing at 8 p.m. on March 3 in Rooke Recital Hall at the Weis Music Building.

Formally singing with the National Opera Company, Eustis will perform several soprano pieces in her guest recital with pianist Greg Ritchey, including music by Reynaldo Hahn, Robert Schumann, Gustav Mahler, Maurice Ravel and Richard Rodgers.

Eustis is currently an assistant professor of voice at the University of North Texas College of Music. She also holds a Doctor of Music degree in opera from Florida State University and a Master of Music degree from the Curtis Institute of Music after completing a music and performance major at the University.

"Lynn was one of my first students," University Professor of Music and Director of Choral Studies William Payn said. "She sang in Rooke Chapel Choir and Concert Choral and Opera Company. It was very evident that she was going to make it as a performer."

According to Payn, Eustis performed on tour with him in England and continues to return to the Lewisburg area. More recently, Eustis sang last spring for the Susquehanna Valley Chorale and Orchestra, directed by Payn, and gave the "Messiah Performance," and an oratorical performance of "Haydn's Creation." Last fall, Eustis also sang for the memorial service of Derk, Professor of Biology Gary Sojka's son, with the University Chapel Choir.

Lynn Eustis' mother, Carol, resides in Lewisburg and eagerly awaits her daughter's upcoming performance. Both Eustis and her younger sister went to the University and sang in Chapel Choir together. Her parents moved from Long Island, N.Y., to Lewisburg as Lynn's performances in the area began to grow. Lynn's father passed away only a short time ago, and Lynn, her mother said, is living her father's dream.

"Lynn had always performed as an undergraduate at Bucknell," Carol Eustis said. "I am absolutely delighted that she is coming back—it was always her dad's dream that she would again perform back at Bucknell."

Eustis appears regularly as a soloist with organizations that include the Dallas Symphony Orchestra, Concert Royal (New York and Princeton), the Dallas Bach Society, the Atlanta Baroque Orchestra, Fort Worth Dallas Ballet, the Williamsport Symphony (Pa.) and Fort Worth Early Music, in works such as Carl Orff's "Carmina burana," Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's Mass in C Minor, George Frideric Handel's "Israel in Egypt" and Felix Mendolssohn's "Midsummer Night's Dream."

Besides performing in over 30 operatic roles, she was also the First Place Winner at the Florida Suncoast Opera Guild Competition in the spring of 1998.

"Students will enjoy hearing her sing pieces such as Reynaldo Hahn and Rob Schumann. She will also be singing a German song cycle entitled "Frauenliebe Und Leben," which will be more familiar to students as well as pieces from various musicals in the early musicals of the 30s and 40s," Payn said.

> *"[Lynn] has perfect pitch and a three octave range. She can sign in German, French and Italian and her diction is perfect in all of the foreign languages,"*
> —***Carol Eustis**, mother of Lynn Eustis '87*

Many of the pieces Eustis will be performing at the University are from her performances in the Czech Republic. She plans to return this summer to the Czech Republic for a second season of solo recitals with Ritchey at the Mahler Festival.

"[Lynn] has perfect pitch and a three octave range. She can sign in German, French and Italian and her diction is perfect in all of the foreign languages," Carol Eustis said.

Payn encourages students to attend Eustis' performance, and support alumni in the performing arts.

"We really always knew that she had that extra something," Payn said. "We knew she was going to make it big."

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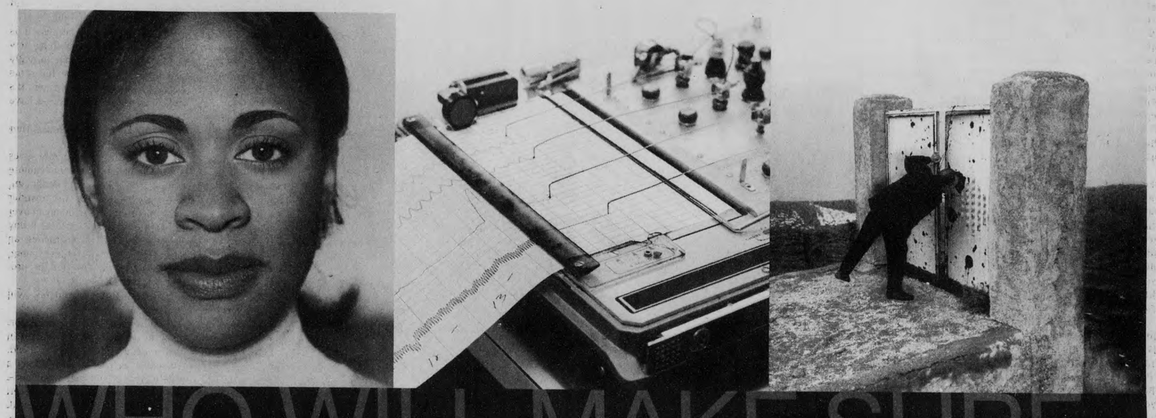

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Norah Jones sweeps Grammy Awards

Courtesy of Reuters

Norah Jones accepts her award for Best Pop Vocal Album at the 45th annual Grammy Awards in New York.

Record of the Year:
"Don't Know Why"
Norah Jones

Album of the Year:
"Come Away With Me"
Norah Jones

Song of the Year:
"Don't Know Why"
Jesse Harris, songwriter (Norah Jones)

Best New Artist:
Norah Jones

Best Female Pop Vocal Performance:
"Don't Know Why"
Norah Jones

Best Female Rap Solo Performance:
"Scream a.k.a. Itchin'"
Missy Elliott

Best Male Pop Vocal Performance:
"Your Body Is A Wonderland"
John Mayer

Best Male Rap Solo Performance:
"Hot In Herre"
Nelly

Best Pop Performance by a Duo or Group with Vocal:
"Hey Baby"
No Doubt

Best Rap Album:
"The Eminem Show"
Eminem

Best Hard Rock Performance:
"All My Life"
Foo Fighters

Best Contemporary R&B Album:
"Ashanti"

Students start a record label

By Melinda Kummer
Arts & Entertainment Editor

In an upstairs bedroom wallpapered in Coltrane posters, furnished with guitars and boasting a library of Maxim, a record label entered the world. Notion Records, founded by Nathan Zapata '03 and Jorge Montanez '03, was started less than a year ago and will release its first album within weeks.

Not just an overnight birth, research and diligence played a large part in the founding of Notion Records. Zapata, executive producer and CEO, takes his role very seriously and expects the world to take the label seriously as well.

"We're very serious and passionate. We do this, first of all, because we love it," Zapata said.

Big dreams and devotion to music constitute the business's motto.

"I became a part of Notion Records because I have had a love of music since I was a little kid. It is more than a hobby for me—it is a passion," Montanez said. "My goal is not to be famous, but rather to be able to share my music with others. I would like to make a good song and let it go down in history to later be seen as a classic. This would make me happier than all the money in the world."

Cisco Sanchez '04, Holland Mack '06, Tunde Owalabi '03, Zohare Haider '04, Nortey Yeboah '05, John Blake '05 and Micah Wright '03 complete the company. Business meetings, events coordinating and recordings occupy their time. They echo their founders in a basic love for music.

"I'm doing this because I love rapping. I just love music," Blake said.

Yeboah also cites love for music in his reason for participating in the company.

"I'm a part of Notion Records for one simple reason: I love music and I love to sing," Yeboah said.

Notion Records' upcoming album features Mack and boasts mostly hip-hop and rap songs. Zapata, a philosophy major, sees music as an exercise in channeling art into tangible energy. In the album, with sounds influenced by Tyrese, Craig David and The Neptunes, Zapata hopes to use the mainstream sounds as a segue for listeners to a truer R&B sound.

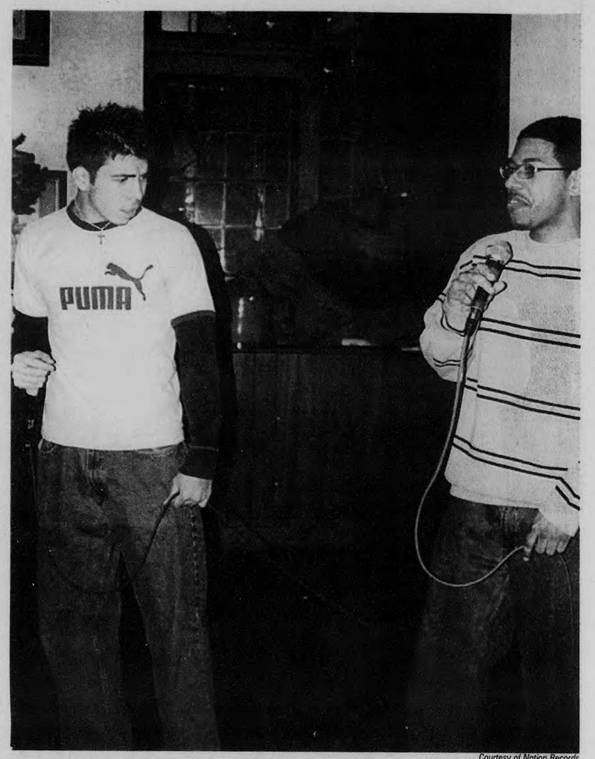
"R&B is more specialized and I hope this sound will be appreciated by critics," Zapata said.

The music video they're planning will be shot this weekend. The finished video will be sent to MTV and BET in addition to becoming part of their promotional package.

Notion Records' five-year plan is to be signed under a major label and be respected as a record company. In an industry that is not kind to newcomers, Notion Records refuses to be discouraged by critics.

"People can look at us from the outside and say, 'What are they trying to do? Why do they care?' But they need to realize that there's a certain amount of training that goes into producing records," Zapata said. "If they can't give me an opportunity to grab their attention, to listen to our music it doesn't matter—we're doing this for ourselves."

A Web site is in the works. Keep checking www.notionrecords.com for the latest on the up-and-coming label.



Courtesy of Notion Records

Nathan Zapata '03 and Jorge Montanez '03 perform as part of Notion Records. The students have formed an independent record label and hope to film their first music video this weekend with a song from their new album.

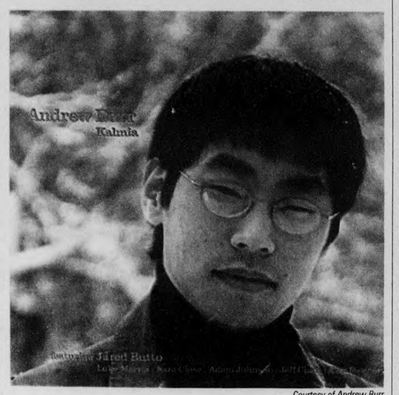
Andrew Burr '04 releases album

Lyrics to "The Seeker":

Cabs drive by the courts
All empty in the cold
Like Sunday people
In hats and coats

A man jogs by a music maker
Breathing rhythm all around
Up and down
Newspaper blow
Buildings tall as stone
They scrape the sky

And all I see around
Is sorrow in
this goddamn town
I think I'm lost
I may be



Courtesy of Andrew Burr

Andrew Burr is featured on the cover of his new CD album, "Kalmia." The album is a compilation of music produced for acoustic and electric guitar.

By Josh Herwitt
Staff Writer

❖ **CD Review**

Tranquil, pleasant and soothing.

"Kalmia," the debut album of Andrew Burr '04, creates a mixture of technical guitar sounds with harmonious, relaxing vocals. The light sound of guitars, piano, congas and vocals create a dreamlike, comforting sound that could lull someone into a deep sleep.

The album consists of seven ballads featuring Burr's technical composition between acoustic and electric guitars along with his harmonic vocals. Through his songwriting abilities, Burr captures listeners' attention, drawing the audience into his work.

Notable songs on "Kalmia" that demonstrate this combination between guitar and vocals include "The Seeker," "Sinkin' In" and "In the End/Suns of Light." Although there are only seven songs on the album, the major songs are seven or more minutes in length, with exception of "Shadow" and "Sinkin' In." These long songs slowly develop and progress through multiple stages of sounds, keeping the listener continually guessing as to what will come next.

Aside from Burr's brilliant work featured on the album, many musicians form his accompaniment, including Jarred Butto '02, Jeff Clark '03, Sara Close '05, Adam Johnson, Luke Morris '03 and Kim Reichley.

"Kalmia" is a compilation of slow, progressive ballads that feature dreamlike sequences, as well as more captivating parts. Anyone interested in acoustic guitar and softer rock should listen to the album. Contact Andrew at aburr@bucknell.edu for more information.

Roth residents read at Bucknell Hall

By Kristi Johnston
Senior Writer

Adrian Oktenberg and Brian Teare may not be household names for most students, but they are certainly familiar to those who follow up-and-coming poets. Both poets have amassed respect and acclaim from the literary community, and the University has the privilege of counting them among its Philip Roth residents. As such, the two delivered a poetry reading Sunday night in Bucknell Hall.

Associate Professor of English Cynthia Hogue introduced each poet to the small but enthusiastic audience, noting that the reading was "a celebration of our Roth residents … and of the program itself."

The Philip Roth Residence in Creative Writing is an annual award given to a promising writer in order for him or her to complete a first or second book at the University. The award is named for Philip Roth '54, a distinguished and well-known author.

Oktenberg was the first poet to read. She received the Roth residency in 1998, and now resides in Northampton, Mass. The poems she read came from one of her two collections of poetry, "The Bosnia Elegies" and "Swimming with Dolphins," which was published in 2002 by University Press.

Hogue commented on Oktenberg's creative writing style.

"The poems surprise us into attentiveness," Hogue said.

Oktenberg chose to begin her reading with an anti-war poem from "The Bosnia Elegies" describing the life of a civilian.

"After all, it's civilians who are affected most by these wars," Oktenburg said.

She followed with poems from "Swimming with Dolphins," including "The Creation," "The Adoration" and "Aster's September." She then returned to "The Bosnia Elegies," reading a poem based on the song "Shenandoah."

Oktenberg's next poem, "Sunday Morning," was based on her college relationship with noted author Kathleen Norris. She finished her segment with the poem "Swimming with Dolphins," cited by the University Press' Web site as "a bold exploration of erotic possibilities between women and, at the same time, a lush evocation of the natural world."

Current Roth resident Teare then took the podium for his reading, which Hogue said represented his tendency to be "both metaphysical and metatextual." Before coming to the University, Teare was a Ruth Lily Fellow at the University of Indiana and a Wallace Stegner Fellow at Stanford University. His first book, "The Room Where I Was Born," is due out this fall.

Teare said his poems were about mourning and a new relationship.

"My poems themselves aren't necessarily about telling stories," Teare said.

Teare began with an elegy to the late poet John Weiners entitled "Of a Sleeping Man and a Second Man Awake." He continued with several poems about living in California, which he said depicted both emotional confusion and what he considered to be an unusual landscape, such as "Californian," "Two Elegies Containing Fear" and "Moving On."

He then switched gears, reading poems based on a new relationship. "Sub-Zero" reflected on the idea of certainty and how to judge whether or not something is real. Teare also joked that the title was "in honor of [our] fair climate."

He closed his reading with an erotic love poem, "Californian."

Organizers were pleased with the reading and noted the importance of the Roth residency.

"Writers in this program have gone on to other fellowships and national-level writing careers," Hogue said. "Our students benefit from hearing and having the opportunity to work with writers of this caliber. As two 'out' poets, [Oktenberg and Teare] also affirmed the Stadler [Poetry] Center's longstanding commitment, excellence and diversity."

Jaclyn Carr—*The Bucknellian*

Adrian Oktenberg and Brian Teare give a poetry reading at Bucknell Hall. The two Philip Roth residents were commended for their unique writing styles.

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House Party to be held next weekend with new restrictions

Bucknellian file photo

Jimmie's Chicken Shack will be playing at Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity on Saturday of House Party weekend. Currently, six bands are scheduled to play at the University during the weekend.

By Jennifer Jenchura
Senior Writer

University House Party 2003 festivities begin Friday, March 28 at the conclusion of Greek Week. Sponsored primarily by the Interfraternity Council (IFC) and Panhellenic (Panhel) Council, students can expect similar rules and fees from last year's annual event.

Many fraternities will sponsor bands, food and beverages all weekend long with most events taking place along Fraternity Road. Confirmed bands include Aranka Fabian, Bomb Squad, Giants of Science, Jimmie's Chicken Shack, Kickover and Right Foot Red, according to IFC Special Events Chair Justin Lyon '05.

"Within a week, IFC hopes to make a definite schedule that can be placed online on the IFC Web site as well as posters and handouts for House Party attendees so they know what events are going on," Lyon said.

Tentative times of performances include Kappa Sigma Fraternity's Giants of Science Friday at 10 p.m. Jimmie's Chicken Shack will perform 1-4 p.m. Saturday at Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity, followed by Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity's Right Foot Red performing at 10 p.m.

"House Party is a great event because it showcases the strength of our Greek life and how it can bring the entire campus together," Garrett Carlough '04 said.

All students are required to register for House Party. For first-year students, registration begins Thursday, March 27 from 5-8 p.m. in the fieldhouse at the Greek Week Carnival. Upperclassman can find House Party registration and 21-year-old wristband distribution in Walls Lounge Friday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. After Friday at 5 p.m. registration will take place in the Fraternity Road hospitality tent until 1 a.m. Saturday registration begins at noon in the hospitality tent and lasts until midnight. During registration students and guests will receive House Party wristbands. All guests must be at least 18 years old.

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Class of '06 to enroll for fall courses online

By Jeff Day
Staff Writer

The Class of 2006 will pilot a new online registration process this year for class enrollment for the fall semester. A separate BANNER Registration PIN will be available from student's advisers March 24 and once activated will allow individuals to register for classes online throughout the entire enrollment week.

According to Gretchen Perry, '06, the first-year students were chosen to participate due to the lower likelihood of required permission for admittance or other Registrar's staff intervention.

It was also expressed that because the Class of 2006 will have the most opportunities to use the system, it is most efficient to teach them first.

"The Class of 2006 was chosen as they will be at the University for the next three years and should fully realize the benefits of the adjustments that will be made to the process as it evolves," Vice President for Enrollment Management Kurt Thiede said.

Online registration will be an optional procedure for members of the Class of 2006. For those students that do not wish to participate, the Registrar's Office will remain open throughout the week to enlist students in classes.

According to Thiede, the personal attention that students receive from the Registrar's Office is an important value of the current program. For those students needing help in negotiating a list of closed courses, the staff has always been and must continue to be available for help.

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> —***Kurt Thiede**, vice president for enrollment management*

"I imagine how frustrating it could be to be presented a series of 'error' messages by some 'faceless' machine. The opportunity to work out difficult situations with another human being is something that we do not want to lose completely through this conversion to on-line," Thiede said.

This trial period will help determine the most effective way to introduce online registration to the entire campus if successful.

"I don't know what the final outcome will be, but I am certain that it

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Gadd, 55, passes away after lengthy battle with cancer

Courtesy of Athletic Communications

By Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

Former Head Football Coach Tom Gadd passed away in his Lewisburg home on March 1 after a lengthy battle with brain cancer.

Gadd, who was a week away from his 56th birthday, was a beloved member of the University community during his seven years at the helm of the football program, and will be sorely missed.

"Tom Gadd was an extraordinary member of the Bucknell community," University President Steffen Rogers. "He will be remembered as one of the finest football coaches Bucknell has ever seen."

Gadd was initially diagnosed with a brain tumor in January 2001, and although the tumor was successfully removed, it returned in the summer of 2002, rendering him unable to coach the team during this past season.

He began his career at the University in 1994, when he took over as head coach of a football program that had only had one winning season in the previous 14 years. His magic touch was evident immediately, as he led the team to a 7-4 record in his first season and a Patriot League Championship in his second year.

Over the course of his career with the Bison, the team never had a losing record and strung together seven consecutive winning seasons for the first time in the program's history.

In 1997, he guided the squad to the only 10-win season in the University's history, which was good enough to merit a national top-20 ranking. During the same year, Gadd was named Patriot League Coach of the Year, and was also a finalist for the Eddie Robinson Award for Division I-AA Coach of the Year.

During the 2001 season, Gadd joined Bob Curtis in a tie for the most victories under a Bucknell coach with 48 wins. He was also the fastest coach in University history to reach that plateau.

"Tom came to Bucknell with more than 20 years of coaching experience at major Division I programs, and he was able to re-establish the proud tradition of winning football at Bucknell, Director of Athletics and Recreation John Hardt said.

While his accomplishments on the field were legendary, Gadd will probably be best remembered for his leadership, enthusiasm and energy, as well as for the work ethic and values that he instilled on his players.

Gadd graduated from University of California-Riverside in 1970, where he also began his coaching career as a defensive coordinator from 1972-1973. Over the next several years he contributed to programs at Long Beach State, University of Utah, University of South Carolina—where his Gamecocks where ranked as high as second in the nation in 1984—University of Minnesota and San Jose State University.

He then joined the Bucknell's program, immediately finding his niche in the University and Lewisburg communities. Gadd, an enthusiastic supporter of all Bucknell athletics, earned the respect of his players, fellow coaches and everyone else whose lives he touched.

"Coach Gadd and Bucknell University and the town of Lewisburg all meshed perfectly," Hardt said. "The result is a legacy that will always be remembered, and a foundation that will forever impact Bison Football."

STUDENT PARKING INCREASED

Adam Wilcox—*The Bucknellian*

Fifty parking spaces in the Farm Lot that were formerly designated as faculty parking were reallocated as student parking spaces. The change implemented by the University parking committee is a result of a Bucknell Student Government study that documented that the majority of the spaces were unused. The spaces will be available for student use until the construction of the new engineering building begins.

SPORTS

Men's Basketball

Men's b-ball loses in P.L. Championship

The team was defeated by Holy Cross 75-50 in the semifinal round on the Patriot League Championships.

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Will U.S. involvement in Iraq contribute to the stability of the Middle East?

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Multigenre Reading

Essayist and professor emeritus give readings

Essayist Susan Fox Rogers and Presidential Professor of English emeritus Marylin Mumford delivered a multigenre reading on March 4 in Bucknell Hall.

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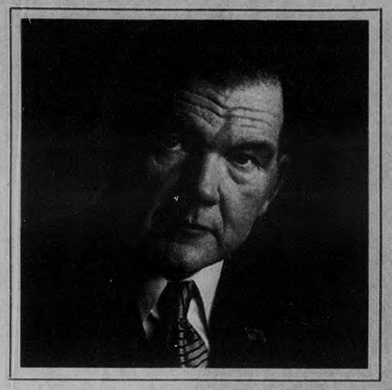

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News

Public Safety Log

Sunday, Feb. 23

INFORMATION—Public Safety responded to Smith Hall for the report that a student could not put her key in her door. A locksmith responded to open the door and Public Safety found a cup of urine sitting inside the room. The student reported that her room was not locked when she left and that her key was misplaced for several days. The incident is under investigation.

ASSIST POLICE—Public Safety responded to Fourth and St. George Streets to assist Lewisburg Police Department to clear a party. Everyone left without incident.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION/DISORDERLY CONDUCT—While on routine patrol, Public Safety observed a male urinating outside of Larison Cottage. When questioned, the male, at first, falsified his identity but later admitted he was a student, under the age of 21 and had consumed alcohol. The male was uncooperative during the investigation. He was cited for public urination, underage consumption, disorderly conduct and failure to comply.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student requested transportation to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment of a wrist injury. A Student Health Services driver responded and transported the student, who later returned to campus.

INFORMATION—A student reported to Public Safety that someone may have entered her locked vehicle while it was parked in Lower Harris Lot. The rear view mirror was found on the floor. There were no signs of forcible entry. The incident is under investigation.

HARASSMENT—A student reported to Public Safety that a male she thinks is a non-University student, has been annoying her the past few times she has gone to the 7th St. Café. The incident is under investigation.

Monday, Feb. 24

INFORMATION—A student reported to Public Safety that she received a possibly harassing phone call that she felt was meant for her neighbors who had been receiving similar calls. The individual requested that no action be taken at this time.

INFORMATION—Public Safety responded to Delta Upsilon Fraternity for the report of a fire alarm activation caused by food burning in the oven. The fire was extinguished with a fire extinguisher. The oven switch was found to be faulty and the oven was turned off at the breaker box. The house officers were advised to have an electrician work on the stove before using it again.

SUSPICIOUS PERSON—A student reported to Public Safety that an unknown male asked her to play piano for him in the Sigfried Weis Music Building and talked to her for a long time. She did not feel threatened but thought the behavior was suspicious. The visitor was later located by Public Safety and advised not to return to campus without authorization.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—An employee reported to Public Safety that unknown persons damaged the emergency phone in Hunt Hall. The incident is under investigation.

PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENT—Public Safety responded to South Seventh Street near Carnegie for the report of a student who was struck by a vehicle operated by another student. The individual was transported by ambulance to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment and later returned to campus. East Buffalo Township Police Department responded. Charges are pending. The roadway was slippery due to a snow storm.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—Public Safety responded to the fieldhouse for the report of a student with a head injury. The individual was transported to Evangelical Community Hospital by a Student Health Services driver and later returned to campus.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—Public Safety responded to the fieldhouse for the report of a possible broken ankle. The individual was transported to Evangelical Community Hospital by a Student Health Services driver and later returned to campus.

Tuesday, Feb. 25

SUSPICIOUS PERSON—Public Safety responded to Vaughan Literature building for the report of a suspicious male who was selling text books. The individual was advised of the University solicitation policy and cooperated in leaving campus.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student contacted Public Safety and requested transportation to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment of an allergic reaction. The individual later returned to campus.

FOUND PROPERTY—A student reported to Public Safety that she observed a male place a plastic skeleton in the Trax parking lot. Public Safety responded to Trax lot and confiscated the skeleton, which was returned to Public Safety for storage until the owner can be located.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—While providing a routine escort, Public Safety detected the strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on two students. Upon further investigation, the students were found to be under the age of 21, and admitted to consuming alcohol. Citations issued for underage consumption.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—While providing a second routine escort, Public Safety detected the strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on two students. Upon further investigation, the students were found to be under the age of 21, and admitted to consuming alcohol. Citations were issued for underage consumption.

Thursday, Feb. 27

VEHICLE ACCIDENT—Public Safety responded to Fraternity Road for the report that unknown person(s) had broken the driver's side mirror off an employee's vehicle. A report was filed for insurance purposes.

INFORMATION—Public Safety responded to Vedder Hall for the report of blood on the floor and a broken door window pane. An employee reported that he observed a male with a small bleeding cut. The male was located at Geisinger Medical Center. University officials checked on the welfare of the student after he returned to campus. It is not known if the student was involved with the broken window. The investigation is pending.

Friday, Feb. 28

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) broke out the front passenger window of his vehicle while it was parked at 23 University Ave. House. The incident is under investigation.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that her parking decal was removed from her vehicle while it was parked at Hunt Hall. The incident is under investigation.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION/PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS—Public Safety reported an intoxicated person in the restroom at the Sojka Pavilion. Public Safety responded to assist and identified the male as a student who had consumed alcohol although under the age of 21. He was cited for underage consumption and public drunkenness.

ALCOHOL POSSESSION—While on routine patrol, Public Safety observed a male carrying a case of beer by Smith Hall. Upon investigation, it was determined that the male was a student under the age of 21. He was cited for possession of alcohol by a minor. The beer was confiscated and destroyed.

Saturday, March 1

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION/PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS—Public Safety responded to Smith Hall for the report of an intoxicated student in the restroom. Upon arrival, Public Safety determined that the male was a student under the age of 21, who was intoxicated and ill. The student was transported by ambulance to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment and returned to campus later that day. Lewisburg Police Department responded. Citations issued for underage consumption and public drunkenness.

INFORMATION—Public Safety responded to Smith Hall for the report of an unauthorized party. Two students and two visitors were in the room but stated they were unaware that alcohol was present in the room. Public Safety disposed of the alcohol.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT—While investigating an incident in Vedder Hall, a student stopped Public Safety and requested assistance for his injured friend. Public Safety responded to the room and observed a male with a head laceration that occurred when he fell down some stairs. A Student Health Services driver transported the student to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment. The student later returned to campus. The student was disorderly during the transport. A citation was issued for disorderly conduct.

PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS/DISORDERLY CONDUCT—Public Safety responded to Vedder Hall for the report of a male using obscene language toward several students. Public Safety was unable to locate the male but overheard that Lewisburg Police Department was looking for the same person. Lewisburg Police Department apprehended the male on St. George Street. It was determined that the male, who was identified as a visiting professor, was highly intoxicated. Ward House keys were confiscated and the professor was removed from campus. Lewisburg Police Department cited him for public drunkenness and disorderly conduct.

Sunday, March 10

INFORMATION/UNSOLICITED E-MAIL SUBSCRIPTION—A student reported to Public Safety that she received an unsolicited offensive e-mail subscription. The incident is under investigation.

Tuesday, March 12

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—Public Safety responded to Bertrand Library for the report of a student with abdominal pains. The individual was transported by ambulance to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment and later returned to campus.

Thursday, March 14

INFORMATION—Public Safety responded to Bertrand Library for the report of pornographic pictures in the restroom. The incident is under investigation.

VEHICLE ACCIDENT—Public Safety responded to Lit Road for the report of a minor vehicle accident. An employee was backing from a parking space and struck the side of a University vehicle parked in the adjacent space. There were no injuries and only minor damage to the vehicles.

Friday, March 14

VEHICLE ACCIDENT—Public Safety responded to the exterior of Bertrand Library for the report of a vehicle stuck in the snow. Physical Plant removed the vehicle. University officials were notified.

Sunday, March 16

INFORMATION / VEHICLE DAMAGE—Public Safety responded to Bucknell West for the report of an antenna missing from a vehicle that was parked in the Bucknell West Lot since March 7. The antenna was found lying near the student's residence.

PROPERTY DAMAGE—Public Safety responded to Bucknell West for the report of a vehicle stuck in the mud. Upon investigation, Public Safety determined that the student had driven on the grass to avoid barricades placed on the road. Citation issued for driving on the grass. Other charges are pending.

University spends $155 million on local community

Meghan Fox
Staff Writer

According to a campus report published last month, the University's 2001-2002 expenditures generated a total financial impact of over $155 million on the local community. This figure does not take into account the spending done by students or annual visitors.

In direct expenditures alone, the University spent nearly $95 million in the last year. This money was distributed among salaries, the cost of goods and services, expenditures of various facilities and equipment, health care and state and local taxes.

The flow of money into the local community has a larger impact than its direct monetary value.

According to the financial impact statement, "that $95 million generates additional spending in the community."

In order to calculate the full financial impact of the University's spending, the expenditure must be multiplied by 1.64, as prescribed by the Pennsylvania Economy League. Using this multiplier formula, the University determined its full financial impact to exceed $155 million.

"Of course we are contributing to the community in a number of different ways in terms of the intellectual environment of the region and the arts and other programming, but sometimes the community misses the concept that we are also a very large industry and that we are contributing to the well-being of the community financially as well as intellectually," University President Steffen Rogers said. "It is very important to us that people do understand all the contributions that the University is making."

The bulk of campus expenditures consisted of faculty, staff and student wages. Together, students and University employees earned $52.6 million.

"Our budgets are probably larger than many universities of our size because we do provide an across-the-board services and the number of employees we have," Rogers said.

The remaining breakdown of the figure is as follows: $16.9 million in goods and services, $19.1 million in facilities and equipment, $6.1 million in health care expenses and $2 million in taxes.

The University's Small Business Development Center also provides additional stimulation of the economy, assisting in the creation or retention of 3,500 jobs since 1978.

"We are also contributing through spending; we buy things in the region and, therefore, we are supporting the economy," Rogers said.

Rogers noted the influence of the University's service work and volunteer programs on the area, but also stressed the mutual impact of the relationship.

"It is very important that we don't overlook the fact that the community contributes. Many of the people in the community come to our events. They contribute to our crowds at the Weis Center or theater or sporting events," Rogers said.

As Rogers said, the financial impact statement is a document that clearly indicates the contributions made by campus.

"It is also important to us that the state realizes the importance of higher education, because even though we are private, we do receive state support. This brochure is just a reminder that we can send out to say, 'Yes, we appreciate everything the state is doing for us, but it is a reciprocal relationship,'" Rogers said.

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In order to receive a 21-year-old wristband that also includes the official House Party mug, University students must present both their Bucknell ID and valid driver's license. Guests also need a valid license.

The Office of Greek Life as well as IFC and Panhel set the prices for registration fees. This year the fees for sorority women are $5, non-Greek Bucknell students $10, alumni $10 and all other guests $20. Different from last year, fraternity members do not have to pay for their wristband since their houses already fund the bands and events. Guests must be registered with University students, who are then responsible for their guests. Non-Greeks are allowed up to two guests and Greeks are allowed up to four guests per person. Alumni are considered guests of current students.

Although, conceivably, there could be more than double the student population at House Party, the Office of Greek Life is not concerned with crowding.

"Including guests we don't expect more than 4,000 people participating in House Party events because some Bucknell students choose not to participate. Guests are the responsibility of the student; the student registers his or her guests, so that student is responsible. That system has worked well in the past," Assistant Director of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs Shauna Irwin said.

House Party is not a profit-making event for the University or IFC. The money raised from registration will fund additional security, mugs for those over 21 years old, alternative beverages and food stationed along Fraternity Road and other facility needs. Irwin expects the total cost of hosting House Party to reach $9,000. All bands are completely funded by fraternities and sometimes cosponsored with sororities. Greek chapters do not receive any of the funds raised from registration.

"Fraternities are also expected to provide alternative beverages and food and comply with the usual University risk management policies. IFC and Panhel have paid for the food around Frat Row," Carlough said.

The other concern for the organizers of House Party is the weather. Last year Lewisburg experienced a March snowstorm on the Friday of House Party weekend.

"We just hope the weather is good so outside events can continue as scheduled," Carlough said.

This year the Office of Greek Life expects to spend approximately $3,000 in security alone including hiring a private security company, having an ambulance on call all weekend, as well as additional support from the borough police department.

There will be at least two beverage stations and one food station along Fraternity Road. In addition to the food and drink tents alongside Fraternity Road, Panhel is sponsoring a barbecue open to the campus on Saturday afternoon.

"Due to strict national and local bylaws, the sororities are often limited in what they can do in terms of funding House Party. The fraternities on a national level are not as strict," Irwin said.

For the first time Panhel decided to sponsor food on Saturday as another way for sororities to contribute to House Party.

"Since we do not contribute financially to House Party because of our alcohol initiative policies, the women this year have voted for and are in the midst of organizing a free outdoor food venue on Saturday afternoon or evening. The time and details of location are yet to be decided. This will be in conjunction with the traditional food supply that is offered in the evening," Panhellenic President Jen Mellon '04 said. "We felt that the Saturday afternoon of House Party is a time when there is little food offered, besides the Bison and Cafeteria. We look forward to contributing to safety and enjoyment of House Party by offering more opportunities for students and guests to eat throughout the day. The Panhellenic women are very excited to have a safe and enjoyable House Party."

> *"House Party is a great event because it showcases the strength of our Greek life and how it can bring the entire campus together."*
> *—Garrett Carlough '04*

Unlike past years, this year there is a two-person administrative team to oversee Greek affairs consisting of Irwin and Assistant Dean of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs Lewis Marrara. House Party novices, they look forward to students enjoying the event.

"I have heard both good and bad stories [about House Party]. It will be nice to see the event for myself and form my own opinions," Irwin said.

Although they have never attended the event, both have worked hard to prepare for a safe and fun weekend.

"Both [Irwin and Marrara] have been working extremely hard, staying in the office until late at night. They're great to work with because they are very laid back and approachable," Lyon said. "As far as adapting to the University, I personally was impressed how up-to-date both of them were on how things were run around here and how Dean Marrara seemed to mesh with the other administration and faculty having just taken the position a month or so ago."

Irwin believes that with a two-person Greek Life Office the staff will be better equipped to handle problems as well and does not force one person to oversee the entire event.

"[The Deans of Students] are committed to students enjoying their collegiate careers. It is helpful to have two people on staff for Greek Life because it adds additional people who are committed to being involved with fraternities and sororities," Irwin said.

Despite rumors, there are no immediate plans to discontinue the popular spring tradition.

"The continuance of [House Party] is contingent upon a variety of people being mindful of what it is supposed to be. It's not a free-for-all. Various people need to realize their roles in making the event successful including students, Greek organizations, staff and guests," Irwin said. "I don't expect any major issues, but people need to realize if there is just one major problem, that could be the event [that ends House Party's future]."

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will take greater advantage of this technology to improve on our already efficient and effective registration process," Thiede said.

The Registrar's Office is anticipating and encouraging feedback to allow students to express their feelings about the entire process. Bucknell Student Government will also conduct a survey to poll students about their experiences using such a method for registration.

"I think there may be some technical problems associated with online enrollment, but if it works, it would be a welcomed change," Bradley Nocco '06 said.

Bucknell is not the first institution with a Banner software system designed for online registration, so it has had the opportunity to learn from other's mistakes.

The biggest concern that exists, as with launching any new program, is the one that remains unknown.

The committees responsible for online enrollment have continued to stress that registration is a combination of key decisions and administrative processes.

"The less energy expended on those administrative processes that a machine can manage, the more energy can be put into assisting students with making key decisions," Thiede said.

The University is very excited to offer online opportunities, and is confident that students will continue to find the Registrar's Office helpful and informative. According to Thiede, the online registration process will bring together technological efficiencies with a commitment to friendly, personal attention.

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Stress & Relaxation Techniques
Traditional Reading Room
(Bertrand Library 213)
9 a.m.

Talk with Brian Beitz
Walls Board Room
(LC 213)
11:30 a.m.

Math Talk
Olin 371
4 p.m.

"Curfew"
Vaughan Lit. Auditorium
4:30 & 8 p.m.

Women's Water Polo Invitational
Kinney Natatorium
5 p.m.

Shabbat Service and Dinner
Berelson Center
5:30 p.m.

Chipfest 2003
Weis Center Auditorium
8 p.m.

Comedian: Michael Collins
Bison
9 p.m.

Pub Night
Uptown
9:30 p.m.

Late Night Music: Kristin Cifelli & Daniel Barrett
7th Street Café
11 p.m.

March 22 — SAT

Women's Water Polo Invitational
Kinney Natatorium
All Day

Women's Crew vs. LaSalle
Shamokin Dam, Pa. (Susquehanna River)
8 a.m.

Baseball vs. Bloomsburg
Bucknell West Fields
Noon

Women's Lacrosse vs. Lafayette
Bucknell West Fields
Noon

Softball vs. Siena
Bucknell West Fields
2 p.m.

Men's Lacrosse vs. Holy Cross
Bucknell West Fields
3:30 p.m.

International Auction
Hunt Hall Living Room
4 p.m.

Pre-Concert Talk by Greg Funfgeld
Weis Music Building Recital Hall
6:30 p.m.

Bethlehem Bach Festival
Weis Center Auditorium
8 p.m.

"28 Days"
Gallery Theatre
8 p.m.

Mentalist: Craig Karges
Bison
9 p.m.

March 23 — SUN

Women's Water Polo Invitational
Kinney Natatorium
All Day

Quaker Services
Willard Smith Library
9:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Interdenominational Worship Service
Rooke Chapel
11 a.m.

Episcopal Eucharist Service
Rooke Meditation Chapel
Noon

Baseball vs. Lock Haven
Bucknell West Fields
Noon

Softball vs. Siena
Bucknell West Fields
Noon

Bison Men's Soccer Clinic
Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium
1 p.m.

Travis Award Lecture
Gallery Theatre
2 p.m.

Bucknell Jazz Band
Weis Center Auditorium
2:30 p.m.

Catholic Mass
Rooke Chapel
4 p.m.

Sunday Night Prayer
LC 302
9 p.m.

Catholic Mass
Larison Dining Hall
10 p.m.

March 24 — MON

Qigong Classes
Vedder Living Room
Noon

Zen Meditation
Rooke Meditation Chapel
4 p.m.

Photographs from the Permanent Collection
Samek Art Gallery
March 17 to April 13

Yoga
McDonnell Hall 242
4:45 p.m.

Fear Factor
Smith Quad & Bison
5 p.m.

The Molly Maguires: Presentation & Dinner
LC 246
5:30 p.m.

Lecture: Nilgun Okur
Center Room (LC 256)
7 p.m.

Greek Award Ceremony
Sojka Pavilion
7:30 p.m.

Yoga
Walls Board Room
(LC 213)
8 p.m.

March 25 — TUE

Apple Pie with Alpha Chi
Uptown
2 p.m.

Greek God & Goddess
Smith Quad & Bison
5 p.m.

Tai Chi
McDonnell Hall 241
5 p.m.

Internships 101
Every Tuesday (Noon) and Wednesday (3:30 p.m.)
CDC

Focus Semester
Gallery Theatre
7:30 p.m.

House Party Meeting
Rooke Chemistry 116
8 p.m.

BRIDGE 101
Offered daily
CDC
Noon

Faculty Colloquium
Gallery Theatre
5 p.m.

March 26 — WED

Qigong Classes
Walls Board Room
(LC 213)
8 a.m.

Agnes Denes
Samek Art Gallery
Projects for Public Spaces
Jan. 24 to April 6

Brown Bag Forum
Seminar Room
(LC 302)
Noon

Nutrition & Exercise Workshop
Traditional Reading Room
(Bertrand Library 213)
Noon

Mud Wrestling
McDonnell Hall
Outside Steps
5 p.m.

Football Team Presentation
LC Forum
7:30 p.m.

"Womb War"
Gallery Theatre
7:30 p.m.

Yoga
Walls Board Room
(LC 213)
9 p.m.

March 27 — THU

House Party Registration
Walls Board Room
(LC 213)
11 a.m.

Junior Recital: Kim Hallman (soprano)
Weis Music Building Recital Hall
Noon

Softball vs. St. Francis (Pa.)
Bucknell West Fields
2:30 p.m.

Men's & Women's Tennis vs. Lafayette
Tennis Courts
3:30 p.m.

Third World Film Series: "Zan Boko"
Coleman 151
4 & 7 p.m.

Greek Carnival
Gerhard Fieldhouse
5 p.m.

Lecture: Tim Kasser
Rooke Chemistry 116
7 p.m.

Choreographer's Showcase
Tustin Theatre
8 p.m.

"the well"
Walls Board Room
(LC 213)
8:30 p.m.

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News

WORLD BRIEFS

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Senate votes against arctic drilling

WASHINGTON—By a 52-48 vote, the Senate on Tuesday defeated an attempt to open part of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge to oil drilling. With war looming in Iraq, proponents of drilling, most of them Republicans, had focused on energy security as they tried to lift a congressional ban on drilling in the refuge.

Clue may point to cause of illness

Researchers reported Wednesday that at least some victims of a fast-moving disease emanating from Asia appear to be infected by a strain of virus related to those that cause mumps and measles. As scientists raced to identify the cause of the illness, the U.S. government was investigating 11 suspected cases in the United States. Meanwhile, officials said some of the early atypical pneumonia patients may have caught the disease in a Hong Kong hotel.

Mexico tightens security at U.S. border

MEXICO CITY—Mexico said on Tuesday it had deployed some 18,000 troops to increase security on its porous border with the United States and protect strategic installations against terrorism as war in Iraq looms.

Switzerland bans U.S. military planes from airspace

BERN—Switzerland banned American and other military planes from its airspace during the war in Iraq, expressing regret the United States acted without U.N. approval. The airspace ban is similar to one enacted during the 1991 Gulf War—although Switzerland did allow some U.S. ambulance flights to cross during that conflict. Airlines prepare for fewer passengers.

Flights suspended worldwide

CHICAGO—Airlines around the world suspended some flights, rerouted others and swapped in smaller planes on Wednesday in anticipation of a sharp decline in passengers during an Iraqi war. The degree of flight and cost-cutting varied from region to region, with executives waiting for solid indications of the war's intensity and duration before making further adjustments.

Abbas accepts Palestinian prime minister post

RAMALLAH, West Bank—Pragmatist and moderate Mahmoud Abbas accepted the position of Palestinian prime minister Wednesday in the first real promise of ending the bloody Israeli-Palestinian deadlock of 30 months. The Palestinian parliament overwhelmingly ratified the post of prime minister and gave it powers beyond those sought by Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat.

Thailand expels eight Iraqis, cites security fears

BANGKOK—Thailand said on Thursday it was expelling another eight Iraqis, including one with links to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, on grounds of national security as the United States began an attack on Iraq. The move brings to 11 the number of Iraqis expelled from Thailand this week.

Sorority sisters sponsor rape presentation

Alpha Chi Omega and Delta Delta Delta bring "Kristin's Story" to the University

By Jennifer Jenchura
Senior Writer

The sisters of Alpha Chi Omega (Alpha Chi) and Delta Delta Delta (Tridelta) sororities co-sponsored the presentation "Kristin's Story: A Story of Acquaintance Rape and Depression" on March 4 in the Weis Center. Andrea Cooper last presented "Kristin's Story" to the University in 1999.

"Kristin's Story" recounts a young woman's acquaintance rape and subsequent suicide as told by her mother. College student Kristin Cooper committed suicide on New Year's Eve 1995.

The Alpha Chi Omega Foundation, Kristin's sorority, and the Delta Delta Delta Foundation, Andrea's sorority, are the national sponsors of this proactive, coeducational rape education program.

Coordinated by Samantha Berthod '04 of Tridelta and assisted by Emily Berger '04 of Alpha Chi Omega, the planning for the event began last fall.

"Last year, the Bucknell Tridelta chapter had a visit from our national field consultant and she raved about Mrs. Cooper's program and strongly recommend that we bring it to Bucknell again," Tridelta Vice President of Public Relations Samantha Berthod '04 said. "Once she was suggested, Tridelta got the ball rolling and Alpha Chi was very interested in participating. The cosponsorship went extremely well, Tridelts and Alpha Chis at Bucknell have a very strong mutual respect for one another."

Both Alpha Chi Omega and Delta Delta Delta said Andrea Cooper was the motivating force in the two sororities working together to promote the issues for which they had such strong feelings.

"The 'Kristin's Story' program is a great representation of the relationships that develop between sororities," Alpha Chi Omega President Angel Gabler '04 said. "This nationally-started program gave us an opportunity to bring our local chapters closer together. Andrea Cooper was a great speaker for the issues and also a motivator in bringing our two sororities closer together."

Delta Delta Delta President Katie Michaels '04 agrees that cosponsorship between sororities is another way to strengthen both the Panhellenic Council and the University community.

"We felt that based on the involvement of both sororities, it would be an excellent opportunity to join forces and work together on such an important issue. Cosponsorship of a program such as 'Kristin's Story' differs from the co-sponsorship of a social event because it offers the community the opportunity to learn about serious issues such as suicide and rape told from a personal perspective," Michaels said. "It reveals an effort to improve unity and awareness throughout all chapters, not just within one specific sorority. We hope to have many opportunities in the future to cosponsor similar events that will have a lasting impact on the Bucknell community."

Over the past six years, Cooper has spoken to more than 50,000 people about the death of her daughter. She very much enjoyed being back at the University for the second time.

"Bucknell is my favorite school to speak at," Cooper said.

Cooper has made it her personal mission to educate women and men all over the nation about rape and suicide. She also strives to bring men up-to-date with the problem of rape and hopes to prepare them for the possibility of a friend or family member's rape. Kristin's serious boyfriend broke up with her when she revealed her rape, and Cooper believes it contributed significantly to her depression.

"I steered Kristin into a place with a good Greek system, little did I know that in a year and three months later she would be dead," said Cooper. "I never dreamed I'd lose my child to suicide."

Kristin, who was a sophomore at Baker University, a small Kansas school in which 56 percent of the student body is involved in the Greek program, when she died in 1995. She was described as a vibrant and happy young woman until the fall of 1995, when friends and family noticed signs of her depression.

"I am sharing this because I hope by telling Kristin's story that other lives will be saved, and other young women will not be victims of acquaintance rape."
—Andrea Cooper

Cooper thought her daughter was upset about a recent breakup with her boyfriend, but she found out later that there was a much more serious problem. Kristin had been raped.

Despite a friend's encouragement to go to the police or share the news with her parents or a counselor, Kristin drifted into a state of depression.

Months passed before she realized she could no longer deal with the pain and subsequently committed suicide on New Year's Eve.

"Kristin is frozen in time in my memory as a college student. I wasn't able to help my daughter. But if I can help one person in this audience than it was worth the trip," Cooper said.

Cooper presented the troubling statistics about rape in college-age students and suicide among people under the age 30. She indicated that acquaintance rape is the most underreported violent crime in the nation and that studies indicate that 46 percent of victims never tell anyone.

The FBI estimates that one in three women will be raped in her lifetime, and one woman is raped every two minutes in the United States. According to the FBI, one in four college women are victims of rape or attempted rape.

"More than 50 percent of female college students have experienced sexual aggression from an acquaintance; one in four college women are victims of rape. Ninety-two percent of the time when a women reports a rape she's telling the truth. If someone comes to you and tells you that they were raped, believe them—if you don't, it's like being victimized again," Cooper said.

Mounting concern about sexual assault incidents at the University prompted the sponsoring sororities to bring Cooper to campus.

"As a sorority, Tridelta is very concerned with sexual assault on campus. It was very important to me personally to make sure that we as a sorority do our part on campus to educate ourselves about sexual assault," Berthod said. "I think that being able to organize the rape forum and bring 'Kristin's Story' to Bucknell has forced students to address these very important issues and realize that it is each and every single student's responsibility to create a safe environment."

Cooper described several signs that can be used to help identify someone who may be contemplating suicide, such as decreased energy or fatigue, a sleeping or eating problem, a feeling of guilt and excessive crying. She also encourages victims to seek counseling.

Suicide is the second leading killer of college students, the first being car accidents.

"If someone is depressed and suddenly becomes happy could mean that they know there is going to be an end to their pain. It's not that they want to die, it's that they can't live with the pain," Cooper said.

It was not until after Kristin committed suicide at her family's home that Cooper discovered Kristin's rape and the effects it had on her daughter's life.

"The police found evidence of rape in Kristin's journal, but throughout all the pages she had written, she never mentioned his name," Cooper said.

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—Samantha Berthod '04

The family later found that Kristin's probable attacker was a friend who had raped Kristin after a party at his apartment. Cooper now spends her time researching and spreading information about the dangers of acquaintance rape and the severe psychological damage that the victim can suffer.

"I am sharing this because I hope by telling Kristin's story that other lives will be saved, and other young women will not be victims of acquaintance rape," Cooper said.

Cooper's moving presentation captured the audience's attention and was well-received.

"Andrea Cooper is a wonderful woman, always filled with energy. Her strength in being able to share her painful story to benefit others is inspirational," Berthod said.

Both sororities hope that Cooper's 'Kristin's Story' will serve as an example of how cosponsorship within the Panhellenic Council can benefit the University community.

"Andrea's admiration for sororities and the good they can do, especially when they combine their efforts, has encouraged us to try and plan more projects together. Without the planning and hard work of both sororities, 'Kristin's Story' would not have been such a success," Gabler said. "I believe we have not only improved the executive bonds between our sororities, but also the bonds of friendship. 'Kristin's Story' was a great experience for our sororities and I hope it will encourage other Greek organizations to try the same."

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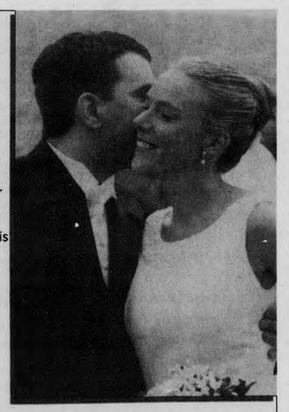

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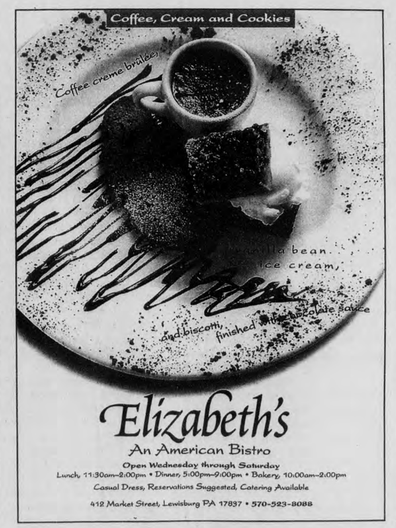

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The Bucknellian Editorial

University responds to Operation Iraqi Freedom

Since the commencement of Operation Iraqi Freedom, our inboxes have been flooded with e-mails from University students, staff and administrators, attempting to inform the campus community of the abundance of resources available to assist in understanding and coping with the war. These resources include educational and cultural videos and seminars, a number of support groups and group discussions.

These e-mails are being sent for a reason. It is our responsibility not only to read those e-mails, but also to take advantage of these opportunities to grow in our knowledge and understanding of our nation and our community.

We must encourage that everyone acts on the initiatives put forth in an earlier e-mail from Stephen Bowen, provost and vice president for academic affairs. Professors should take time in classes to facilitate discussions about the war. Deviate from the syllabuses to address these issues. Apply lectures and current events to class material. Encourage healthy debate and discussion.

Class discussions should not be limited to classes like "U.S. National Security Policy" or "U.S. and the Middle East." The war can and should be a topic of discussion in classes ranging from English and literature to the sciences—even physics.

Students want to take class time to discuss the situation in Iraq and students want to hear the viewpoints and opinions of their professors.

Professors and administrators also need to be more understanding than usual for unexcused absences and tardiness. The war will affect every member of the campus community in one way or another. Many will be directly affected, as almost every student knows someone in the combat zone. And for those who do not have a friend or loved one in the service, they may still be affected by the very fact that this is truly a historic event.

Like Sept. 11, 2001, the next few months will be some of the most important and remembered for years to come.

While the University offered many services to students to help deal with Sept. 11, it may be imperative to rethink some actions.

During the crisis of Sept. 11, it was emphasized that the University community must move on, as any disruption to its routine would only hurt people and would gratify the terrorists' intentions.

While this may be true in the long run, there is no doubt that both students and faculty would have benefited from a day of reflection. Simply hearing the news of such a disaster is emotionally exhausting. Students did not want to spend their days in chemistry lab, they wanted watch the news and be in close contact with their families and friends.

Should events warrant in Iraq, students need to be given the opportunity to discuss the events with friends and families, make contact with loved ones in Iraq, following the stories through live news broadcasts, participating in vigils or simply reflecting on the events at hand.

Furthermore, students need to be able to reach their families as soon as possible. On Sept. 11, it was virtually impossible to make a phone call on campus. More outgoing lines should be made available in a central location for student use.

Additionally, students should not be receiving any potentially distressing news alone. Like the services provided on Sept. 11, Psychological Services should establish a more central location where students will feel more comfortable going to speak to a counselor. Many students may feel embarrassed to go to Lowry House for assistance, but a more informal location would be welcomed by students.

We have confidence in the University to handle the current situation and any potential crisis which may occur, and look forward to a quick yet minimally destructive resolution to the war in Iraq.

Finally and most importantly, the Editorial Board of *The Bucknellian* sends our best wishes to the coalition forces who are in the Middle East.

Letters *to the editor*

Assault statistics alarming

Results from campus student survey

To the Editor:

We applaud the attention paid recently by *The Bucknellian* to the issue of sexual assault and associated problems on the University campus. With a group of students, we conducted a survey in the spring of 2001 on unwanted sexual behavior at the University and reported the results in various public forums in the fall of 2002. The sample for this study consisted of 178 randomly selected students (107 women, 71 men).

The results indicated that 36 percent of the women and 18 percent of the men experienced unwanted fondling; 31 percent of these women and 8 percent of these men considered these incidents to be assaults; 54 percent of these women and 46 percent of these men reported one or more symptoms of post-traumatic stress disorder related to these incidents; and 5 percent of these women and none of these men reported these incidents to campus authorities.

Twenty-four percent of the women and 7 percent of the men reported instances of unwanted sex (anal, oral or vaginal intercourse); 16 percent of these women and none of these men considered these incidents to be assaults; 68 percent of these women and 20 percent of these men reported one or more symptoms of post-traumatic stress disorder related to these incidents; and in no cases were these incidents reported to campus authorities.

Unwanted fondling occurred most often on the dance floor or at a party; unwanted sex occurred most often in the context of a hookup. Students within the Greek system were more likely than non-Greeks to experience unwanted sex, and the frequency of hooking up and consuming alcohol were both positively associated with the likelihood of experiencing unwanted sex.

Since we find these results alarming, we continue to conduct research on these and related topics with our students, and we encourage strongly a continued dialogue about these issues among all constituencies on campus.

Sincerely,

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Natatorium is first-class

To the Editor:

As swimming parents who attend many championship swim meets, we just wanted to congratulate the school on the wins of both the men's and women's swim teams in the recent Patriot League Championships and to compliment those coaches, officials and staff members who ran the meet so beautifully. All of the details that make a meet run smoothly don't just happen. It takes hours of planning and lots of hard work.

Additionally, we can't say enough about what a fine facility the aquatics center is. The construction of a beautiful, deep and fast pool is just the beginning of what it takes to make a natatorium great.

Ample deck space and spectator seating, good lighting, a superb sound system and a fantastic scoreboard are just a few of the features that make Bucknell's natatorium first-class.

These features shouldn't be taken for granted just because a facility is new. We have just returned from another championship meet for our other children in another state's premier, new facility that is lacking many of the features the Kinney Natatorium possesses.

All weekend long we said to ourselves, "Bucknell's is better!" The entire University community should indeed take pride in what has been accomplished in the completion of this terrific pool as well as in the swimming and diving performances of its fine athletes.

All of the details that make a meet run smoothly don't just happen. It takes hours of planning and lots of hard work.

Sincerely,

Susan and Bob Steadman

A prayer for the Middle East

A historic opportunity to advance the stability of the region

By Peter Hackeman
Opinions Editor

Despite the reservations many have about the timing and motivations of our war with Iraq, Americans are rightfully united in hope that the outcome of this conflict will be as positive and swift as possible. The foremost concern in my mind is the safety and health of the men and women of the American armed forces. This country has a proud tradition of uniting behind our troops despite our feelings about the broader conflict, and I hope that we continue that tradition. We have an all-volunteer army of soldiers who are willing to sacrifice themselves to protect our country and the freedoms we cherish so dearly.

I believe that the vast majority of citizens also wish for the fewest civilian casualties among the people of Iraq. While we are at war with Iraq's government and its leaders, we are rightfully making a distinction between the people of Iraq and its leadership. America's enormous technological superiority allows us to pinpoint our munitions better than at any time in history and we should continue to utilize our capabilities to spare the Iraqi people from unnecessary death and injury.

One of the secondary effects of the war with Iraq may be increased instability in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. The international focus on Iraq should not be taken advantage of by either side to escalate violent activities.

This war will be covered by the media differently than during wars in the past, which can probably already be observed by most viewers. The decreased military oversight of reporters and the immediacy with which reports from the battlefront will be beamed into our lounges and living rooms is a positive step in the progression of reporting. I do, however, hope that all journalists covering the war recognize the increased responsibility to omit tactical information that comes with their increased freedom to report.

MIDDLE EAST

One of the secondary effects of the war with Iraq may be increased instability in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. The international focus on Iraq should not be taken advantage of by either Israel or Palestine to escalate violent activities. Recent history has unfortunately demonstrated that during international crisis and conflict, violence has increased in this region when the world's attention was focused elsewhere.

Furthermore, any attempt by Iraq to draw Israel into this war should be condemned and resisted by the world community. Iraq may very well hope to provoke Israel into entering the war in an effort to transform the current war into a conflict that pits the United States and Israel against the Arab world. This war is not a clash of cultures or religions and should not deteriorate into one.

The outline of a permanent solution already exists; what is missing is the will and courage of leaders to make the peace a reality. The president's roadmap is a needed start towards re-establishing a dialogue.

A recent promising development in this region is the establishment and confirmation of Mahmoud Abbas as prime minister of Palestine. Even before the opening of hostilities in this war, Abbas has been presented with a historical opportunity to achieve progress in a conflict that is in desperate need of a new direction and new leadership. Now, Abbas has a greater challenge and a greater opportunity to lead the Palestinian people in a peaceful and responsible direction. There is great hope that Abbas will continue to be a force for pragmatic thinking within the Palestinian government.

Abbas has shown in the recent past that he believes the current cycle of violence is not producing progress for the Palestinian people. He was a crucial member of the Palestinian delegation during the Oslo negotiations and has shown a willingness to deal directly with Israeli leaders. Abbas' appointment is a promising sign for increased democracy in the Palestinian territories.

Despite the uncertainty is the coming days and weeks, Israel and the Palestinians should make good faith efforts to reduce the animosity and violence that is scarring their land. One of the easiest and most effective way accomplish this goal is through increased cultural exchanges. Just like how the American people are not at war with the Iraqi people, the Israeli and Palestinian people have no reason to be at war with each other.

Many times history has demonstrated that when two governments are unable or unwilling to work out their differences and treat each other with respect and dignity, the people those governments purport find it surprisingly easy to treat each other with the necessary deference. Cultural exchanges and combined activities, such as rallies against violence, are integral to allowing the people of each side to recognize and appreciate the humanity of the people of the other side.

Groups such as the Forum of Bereaved Parents are able to accomplish these goals. The forum is a group of Israeli and Palestinian parents who have lost children to the violence in the ongoing conflict. Instead of succumbing to feelings of revenge and anger, these parents recognize that the only solution that ensures the safety of all the people in the region is a cooperation between the two peoples working toward a peaceful solution.

The outline of a permanent solution already exists; what is missing is the will and courage of leaders to make the peace a reality. The president's roadmap is a needed start towards re-establishing a dialogue. There appears to be nearly a consensus on both sides that the pre-1967 boarders are a fair geographical compromise. The remaining, unresolved issues deal with the sovereignty over Jerusalem and the right of return of Palestinian refugees. Moderates on both sides seem to be making progress on these highly emotional issues. This is where the most courage, creativity and leadership are needed.

The outcome of all these actions and progress can be a significantly more stable Middle East. Once Iraq is defeated, the United States should work with the international community to rebuild the country's infrastructure and to introduce democratic institutions. A peaceful and democratic Iraq can serve as an example to the rest of the region. Progress in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict should lead to a sovereign, economically viable and non-threatening Palestinian state. This in turn will help Israel to re-establish its security. A bright future for all three of these peoples will do wonders for the safety and security of the region and the world as a whole.

Opinions

What is the future of the United Nations?

By Tom Elliott
Senior Writer

The bombs have begun dropping and the troops are moving in. Baghdad has become the final battleground for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to let go of his lingering grasp of a dying dictatorship. Operation Iraqi Freedom has begun. So now what is up for the United Nations?

Many were upset by the inability to reach a U.N. Security Council agreement on Iraq, upset that America was incapable of properly integrating the Franco-German position. This would have been totally inadvisable. In short, the Franco-German approach has and will continue to wreak considerable damage to both of their nations and the United Nations in particular; the latter now showing signs of an ominous future, if history serves as any indication.

For wisdom and inspiration I often go to the 7th Street Café—partly because they make great shakes, and partly because it's a good place to hear the latest opinions from our campus' leading leftists. Monday night, this particular coffee shop clientele was seriously disheartened.

While most leftists seem at least understanding of the possible favorable outcomes of Iraq's liberation, they still fear the consequences of America's so-called unilateralist approach. One woman said that what the United States had done with the United Nations—by moving ahead sans yet another resolution—was "reprehensible." Another student theorized that America would cease to exist in 50 years if it continued down our current foreign policy path unabated; he said our end would come from within. These seem to be popular concerns among the left.

Allow me to explain why not only is this of no concern, but rather why it's understandable, necessary and beneficial for the United Nations itself.

Many allege that acquiring the United Nation's approval is a necessary prerequisite for any U.S.-led action, some even extending this to say it would be against international law. France should tell these critics that this is not the case, as it saw little reason to seek U.N. approval for its military adventures in the Ivory Coast last year—or, former U.S. President Bill Clinton, who did not feel it to be a problem to intervene in Kosovo minus a U.N. mandate. Other examples of this variety abound innumerably.

Critics also allege such action was unpopular in the U.N. Security Council outside the U.S.-U.K. alliance, although Britain's Foreign Minister let it be known that another resolution would have passed if France's threatened veto was not looming over the proceedings.

France instead sought ever more inspections. This wasn't the first time the country has chosen such a fatalistic tact in foreign affairs. Recall post-World War I, when the war's victors were set to disarm Germany through international inspectors: Unlike Iraq, many weapons were destroyed; like Iraq, a clandestine weapons program was immediately implemented. The inspectors were being intimidated, their missions made near impossible. Rather than resort back to military occupation, France sought more inspections.

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The German field marshal, left in charge of the German armies, said in agreement to comments claiming it would take a long time to become war ready, "Months would be necessary to prepare a new war, and do you think the French would look by with their hands in their pockets?" Well, the French did, and soon Adolf Hitler assumed power. Ten years later France was playing host to the German army.

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Much like the League of Nation's inspectors were unable to stop World War II, which is why the international organization subsequently failed. The United Nations is now seemingly headed towards a similar fate. To my coffee shop friend: It's not America that's unable to subsist in its current form for another 50 years—it's the United Nations, though the timetable is probably even smaller.

The United Nations is somewhat laughable when considered in a historical context. France, Britain and Russia—all of which are veto-yielding members of the Security Council—are hardly major international players.

The largest failure of the organization is its inability to adapt to global changes. Russia is now a Third World country. France is also an economic basket case. Japan, Germany and India are all more influential in terms of their economies, populations and geopolitical power, yet they have no permanent spots on the U.N. Security Council.

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In terms of global regional representation, Latin America and Africa have no veto-possessing seats, while Europe has three. One also inherently assumes that all of these countries are equal in that they are all sovereign, good-willed, self-determining nations, but this is hardly the case.

Many are merely representatives of brutal dictatorships, not representative democracies. Most act in self-interest rather than out of concern for international peace and security. Almost all carry their own biases. The United Nations, by all accounts, is hardly an international judge, an objective arbitrator or anything else to that effect. The United States failing to convince the United Nations to enforce its own resolutions should hardly be a shocking occurrence.

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While it is already clear that the form and function of the organization needs reform, let us take a brief look at its record regardless.

Daniel Moynihan was one of the first to note the United Nation's inability to tackle real issues, when—after culminating his term as U.S. ambassador to the United Nations—he called it a "theater for the absurd" after it had voted to declare Zionism racism.

During the entirety of the Hussein-led Iran/Iraq war that consumed much of the 1980s, the United Nations simply hoped for the best.

"The former U.N. secretary-general Boutros Boutros-Ghali has had the courage to admit that it was guilty of criminal negligence when it did not act to stop the genocide in Rwanda (two million dead) or in the former Yugoslavia (half a million dead)," Iranian author Amir Taheri wrote.

Taheri also observed that the United Nations failed to prevent the Anglo-French invasion of Egypt in 1956, the French wars in Indochina, the Vietnam war, the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, the India-China war of 1961, the four Arab-Israeli wars, the many India-Pakistan wars and, of course, many, many more.

Joshua Muravchik, author of "Heaven on Earth: The Rise and Fall of Socialism," observed in *The Wall Street Journal* that when war broke out in Bosnia, and a quarter million lives were slaughtered, rather than come to the rescue, the United Nations passed an arms embargo that tied the hands of victims while assisting their aggressors.

"The U.N.'s most recent dereliction of life-and-death duty resulted in Europe's worst massacre since 1945, the 1995 slaughter of 8,000 Bosnian Muslims at Srebrenica, where they had gather because the U.N. assured them it was a 'safe area,'" George Will wrote. "The massacre occurred while U.N. force loitered a few miles away."

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As George Will noted, the U.N. policy is one of "inexhaustible tolerance." America's is not. To subordinate the might of the American military to the "theater of the absurd" is, in fact, an absurd notion in itself. To allow America to fulfill its role as a force of peace, justice and freedom is hardly "reprehensible."

University actions lack consistency and logic

By Aaron Hanlon
Senior Writer

Just as it was with Little League umpires, we can all tolerate and forgive erroneous judgment calls from authoritative bodies so long as they demonstrate some semblance of fairness and consistency. Otherwise, blatant hypocrisy stacked on what was already a bad move makes for a most calamitous outcome, such as in our current situation: A tenacious mother is spreading propaganda throughout the University community, including lengthy letters to parents. Students are squirming with insecurities over whether or not they can feel protected from sexual assault or a false accusation of sexual assault. Credibility is being questioned all over the place. At least one student has been forced to tolerate the pain of this commotion on top of post-traumatic stress. And to make matters much, much worse, the University has failed to make a statement to the campus community regarding Christina Abdulghani's inappropriate response to the Board of Trustees' decision to expel her son, Tareq Abdulghani.

Not long ago, the student publication, The Counterweight, incited University administrators into a frenzy. Once the issue took flight with national media and drew complaints from many alumni (many of whom were perennial donors), the University released a barrage of defenses and clarifications. Dean of Students Richard Ferraro sent out a campuswide e-mail, and Associate Director of Public Relations Alan Janesch sent out many e-mails, press releases and official University statements. The campus community, along with the rest of the world, was informed of the University's position on Counterweight-related matters.

Fast forward to now-another campuswide controversy has sparked similar discussion, confusion and consequential emotional reactions within the University community. When I asked several University administrators where the big University statement was in light of all the faulty information that has been dissipated over this past month, I received the same seemingly plausible answer over and over again: "We are waiting for the appeals procedures to end," waiting for the figurative green light to speed through the intersection of Litigation and Liability. On the surface this seems an entirely legitimate excuse. After considering the details of past University crisis management actions, the fear-of-crossing-the-law excuse is incredible.

In spite of what it has consistently maintained as a direct threat of litigation against the University by the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education for the University's libelous statements against The Counterweight and its staff, the University has continued to publicly stand by said libelous statements in spite of the attached legal ramifications. Clearly, the University is not afraid of being sued for issuing statements that could potentially justify litigation. While I am not suggesting that there should have been a libelous or misleading statement issued similar to that which was issued after the Counterweight controversy, I strongly believe that the University, whose regulations and procedures have called for the expulsion of Abdulghani, should have issued a statement in support of its actions long ago.

The absence of such an explicit statement paints a vivid picture of the University's current state of mixed-up priorities. When a student publication pointedly criticized specific University policies and administrators in the limelight of national media coverage, the deans and the public relations department scrambled for a position and publicly stuck by it while the threat of litigation lingered. Now, a student has been sexually assaulted and subsequently libeled on a Web site and slandered by ignorant students on a daily basis. Still, the University has made no statement to fortify its actions, hiding behind a supposed fear of giving ammunition to Ms. Abdulghani's case. In so doing, it has failed to help protect thousands of its students who are in many cases unaware of the facts. With The Counterweight, the University impulsively involved itself when it was certainly not needed. Now, it has taken a seemingly nonchalant and laissez-faire approach in perhaps one of the only instances in which students would benefit from the authoritative University standing up for its position against a noticeably well-financed propaganda machine. The University should have already issued (but must now issue) a statement to the campus community in support of its actions with the same urgency with which it issued past statements about The Counterweight, but with a new and improved regard for factual information. Though it may seem a bit much for me to demand the best of both worlds, we should be aware of the fact that our current situation is much more severe than previous ones involving words on pages. Here, it seems as though a true crime has been committed. The University's actions in ridding our campus of certain individuals indicate a commitment to campus safety; but in this commitment it should never waver, never give in and never, ever equivocate.

Our presumptuous post-war plans

By Mike Niebauer
Senior Writer

U.S. President George W. Bush is putting forward the view that the successful freeing of Iraq will be the catalyst for a safer and saner Middle East. Bush is making the sale for pre-emptive war while assuring a skeptical world that our intentions are not imperial but are simply to establish a democratic system in a post-Hussein Iraq. The Washington Post quoted Bush, who said, "A liberated Iraq can show the power of freedom to transform that vital region, by instilling hope and progress into the lives of millions....A new regime in Baghdad can serve as a dramatic and inspiring example of freedom for other nations in the region." The speech was very positive and harkens back to former U.S. President Woodrow Wilson's views of a post-World War I diplomatic world. The American political reality refused this view.

Bush used the forum of his speech at the American Enterprise Institute to paint a vision of American hopes and dreams for a Middle East that depends on few allowances for the realities and the everyday dynamics of the Middle East. Bush proposes a commitment to this mission that will last years and cost the American taxpayers billions in scarce resources that his administration has failed to adequately prepare the American people to bear. Bush said, "Rebuilding Iraq will require a sustained commitment from many nations, including our own. We will remain in Iraq as long as necessary, and no more."

This would mean cooperation from other nations that we are now not in agreement with on the Iraq issue. The opposition of Germany and France cannot be replaced by the political or financial assistance from countries like Romania and Bulgaria. Any democratizing of Iraq will take decades and we will need the aid of the United Nations regardless of how much the United States questions its relevance in the 21st century. Without a proper second U.N. sanction the United States would probably bear the entire financial cost of the occupation of Iraq.

Bush's extended his vision on the Middle East to the Palestinian-Israeli conflict. Bush prescribes a post-Hussein Iraq as a cure-all for the long-standing conflict in the occupied Palestinian territories. In a *Washington Post* article Bush said, "Without this outside support for terrorism (referring to Hussein's support for suicide bombers) Palestinians working for reform and long for democracy will be in a better position." The same day Bush called for Israel to end its settlement activity in the occupied territories Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon formed a hard-line government that favors expanded settlements and is openly hostile to timetables for peace or any currently discussed peace accords.

Lopes de Silva the United Nation's top humanitarian official in Iraq warns that 10 million people could run out of food within six weeks of a U.S.-led attack if they did not receive emergency aid. Da Silva said in a *Washington Post* article, "They need to be sending ships of wheat to the Persian Gulf along with ships of soldiers." The Iraqi government's efforts to get a six-month cushion of food reserves in case of warfare have failed. Six weeks is closer to reality. "After that, we will have to feed 10 million people....Eventually we will have to feed the entire population." Another U.N. official said, "It will be an enormous-if not-impossible task. There is no precedent for an aid operation of this scale." To paraphrase Lopes da Silva, the warehouses that store food under the Iraqi food program are now empty so there are no stockpiles from which U.S. soldiers can draw food.

The Washington Post reported, "The Bush administration has said it expects Iraq to manage for several weeks on existing food supplies and emergency rations provided by the United States and intergovernmental organizations. Planners in Washington anticipate that large segments of Iraq will be stable within days of a U.S.-led attack permitting food aid and relief efforts even as fighting continues in Baghdad and elsewhere."

Hopefully, it is now becoming clear that the rosy scenario that the president is painting for a post-Hussein Middle East is going to be economically expensive and politically messy for the United States. The president's predictions and prescriptions may come true but will the American people make the crucial bet of steady support that all his predictions will be correct and follow the course toward his vision?

First-year social success is elusive

By Jordy Leiser
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Is it just me, or is there a serious lack of opportunities for freshman dudes to enjoy a "successful" first year of college?

In "Swingers," Vince Vaughn says, "There's nothing wrong with letting the girls know that you're money, and that you're ready to party."

How money am I? I'm a freshman dude at Bucknell. I have no car, no television (oh yeah, like I'm really going to spend a night with a girl watching television in my freshman dorm lounge), nothing but 8,000 unused meal credits, and no cool places to which I can escort the woman of my dreams. My claustrophobic universe is limited to the 5,000 square foot block that is Lewisburg, Pa.

How ready am I to party? I'm a freshman dude at Bucknell. I'm not allowed to join a frat as a freshman. I have no access to people who throw parties, people who stand at the door of parties, people who buy required "beverages" for parties, social parties, dance parties, upperclassmen or "action" of any kind.

So let's get this straight. The following is what the administration would suggest me (a freshman dude) to do to take out a "beautiful baby who's ready to party." Start with a lovely dinner at the Bostwick Cafeteria, including green Jell-O for dessert, a stop at the 7th Street Café for an Irish Cream Dream, then off to an embarrassing display of awkwardness and shame at the late-night karaoke, and end with a few relaxing moments in front of the television, which gets no channels? Wow! Fantastic.

I'm from Colorado, and all things considered, I haven't spent much time on the East Coast. Would it kill the administration to let me bring a car so I can maybe, just once, see the Capitol Building or go to Yankee Stadium? Don't tell me that the University's weekend trips to "big cities" help at all. How many college kids do you know who are awake on a Saturday morning at 6:30 a.m. that are not completely still bombed from the night before? Exactly.

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My political science class requires that I focus my attention on current events. I'm not saying I'd watch C-SPAN all day, but I'd definitely know what the hell is going on in the world if I had a television in my room. If an earthquake took out all of Southern California, I probably would not hear about it until my usual Sunday night phone call with my mom. Would it kill the school to put in, at the least, an option for television in dorm rooms? Holy cow! I'd go so far as to give up beer for a year to get SportsCenter in the confines of my filthy dorm room (eh, maybe not that far). Even my professors went crazy when they found out I missed that Duke/Maryland game the other night!

OK, I understand the reason for not allowing freshman to rush, but there has to be some way to make it easier for freshman to get into parties, on and off campus. Institute a freshman quota system or something. "This party will not start until I have at least 10 freshman guys up here dancing with the 10 hottest senior chicks at Bucknell." Now that's policy!

I somehow have managed to weasel my way into a frat party here, a house party there, as well as mooch a couple rides to the city. I consider myself lucky to have accomplished such feats, and to my colleagues, I hope you have found similar success this year ... Godspeed!

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War on terror, al-Qaida progresses

Capture of al-Qaida member Yassir al-Jaziri seen as victory in war on terror

Courtesy of Reuters

U.S. soldiers stationed in Bagram, Afghanistan are part of coalition forces that continue to pursue al-Qaida and Taliban operatives. Resulting from ongoing coalition efforts, a second al-Qaida operative known to be close to Osama bin Laden has been apprehended.

By Lindsey Gentel
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An al-Qaida suspect, who is allegedly in charge of communications for Osama bin Laden's terrorist network, was captured during a recent raid in Lahore, Pakistan. Yassir al-Jaziri was arrested on March 15, along with a man believed to be his brother-in-law. According to *The Washington Post*, both men have started cooperating and "giving some leads" to interrogators from Pakistan and the United States.

With this information, Bush administration officials and U.S. intelligence experts have announced that the United States is within reach of breaking up the leadership of al-Qaida.

CIA and FBI officials said the arrest and information provided under the interrogation of al-Qaida lieutenant Khalid Sheik Mohammed this month have given them concrete reasons to believe the United States will soon bring about the collapse of al-Qaida and the capture of Osama bin Laden, MSNBC reported.

With additional cooperation from al-Jaziri, the dismantling of the leadership within the al-Qaida terrorist network looks probable.

"I believe the tide has turned in-terms of al-Qaida," said Rep. Porter J. Goss, R-Fla., chairman of the House Intelligence Committee and a former CIA case officer, according to *The Washington Post*. "We're at the top of the hill. For the first time, they have more to fear from us than we have to fear from them."

According to *The Washington Post*, a dozen other counterterrorism intelligence experts and law-enforcement officials reiterated this attitude.

The capture of these men has also increased optimism because the United States now possesses improved knowledge of certain targets, allowing for heightened security.

With a number of high-ranking al-Qaida members imprisoned and undergoing CIA interrogations, the information "can be bounced off five other senior guys now anxious to tell us what they know," said an intelligence expert, according to *The Washington Post*. Because the CIA and FBI are more familiar than they were a year ago with the organization and individuals involved in al-Qaida, they are better able to put the new leads to use.

Another intelligence expert told *The Washington Post* that the CIA and FBI "believe they are on a roll and can get this group of people whom we know were involved in 9/11. We've got them nailed, and we're close to dismantling them."

The recent successes have convinced many U.S. officials that al-Qaida would have difficulty executing another attack like those of 2001. While they do not rule out that possibility, many officials said smaller-scale bombings are more likely.

"If they don't pull off another big operation soon, some of their financial backers are going to ask whether it makes sense to give them a lot more money soon," one intelligence official who tracks terrorist operations said to *The Washington Post*. "Their viability is going to be questioned around the world. They are probably under pressure to show they are still viable."

The recent success for the United States with the war on terrorism is leaving the CIA optimistic on the dismantling of al-Qaida.

CIA Director George J. Tenet told *The Washington Post*, in regards to these recent arrests of Mohammed and al-Jaziri, "It's a very, very big deal."

Senate bill bans partial-birth abortions

By David LaRoss
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After a long and impassioned debate in Washington and throughout the United States, the U.S. Senate's 64-33 vote to ban partial-birth abortions was overwhelming. The vote was taken on March 13 after a three-day Senate debate that saw the bill's supporters win all but one of the preliminary votes. The statement in the text of the bill supporting the landmark Roe v. Wade case, as a result of the one, nonbinding vote they lost, will likely be stripped from the bill before it goes to the president.

If the bill passes the Republican-controlled House (all indications are that it will) this spring, it will be the third such bill to reach the president in the past 10 years. The two previous bills were passed under former President Bill Clinton, who summarily vetoed both of them. President George W. Bush is a strong supporter of the ban.

"Partial-birth abortion is an abhorrent procedure that offends human dignity, and I commend the Senate for passing legislation to ban it," Bush said to CNN after the bill was passed.

Partial-birth, or intact dilation and extraction, refers to a late-term abortion technique in which labor is artificially induced until the lower body of the fetus emerges. The head is then collapsed, and the dead but intact fetus is delivered. Last year, roughly 2,200 partial-birth abortions, less than 1 percent of the total number of abortions, were performed, according to *The New York Times*.

The debate over partial-birth abortion has been the focus of abortion rights conflicts for almost eight years, since it first came into the spotlight in 1995. The 31 statewide bans on the procedure are proof of the success of antiabortion activists on this issue.

Even if the ban is signed into law, there will be one more challenge for its supporters before they can claim victory. A similar law passed by the Nebraska state legislature was struck down by the Supreme Court in 2000 as unconstitutional under Roe v. Wade on the grounds that it did not provide a clear distinction between partial-birth abortions and other methods and that it contained no provision for situations where the mother's health was threatened.

The new bill gives a specific definition of what constitutes a partial-birth abortion, although the only mention of health concerns is a statement that the procedure is "never necessary" for the health of the mother, making exemptions only in life-threatening cases. The bill's main sponsor, Sen. Rick Santorum, R-Pa., said that the provisions were "standard boiler-plate language" of "no consequence," according to CNN.

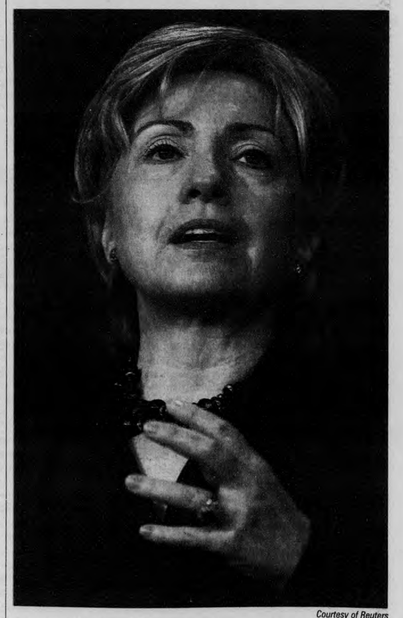
Abortion-rights groups have promised a reprise of the 2000 case.

"Planned Parenthood will file suit as soon as the bill is signed," said Gloria Feldt, president of the group, to *The New York Times*. "I mean that minute."

Since the 2000 decision was 5-4, supporters of the ban are hoping that at least one justice will have retired, and the newly appointed justice will tip the balance to their side before the case comes to the Supreme Court.

Sen. Hillary Clinton, D-N.Y., voiced one common fear of the bill's opponents. "I understand what the other side wants to do. They are hoping to get somebody new on the Supreme Court and to turn the clock back completely, to overrule Roe v. Wade," she said to the Associated Press.

There is definitely a movement to limit, if not reverse, the effects of Roe v. Wade. According to *The New York Times*, Santorum compared it to the Dred Scott decision that categorized escaped slaves as property in the early 19th century. "It took from the people the right to decide their own fate, and rested it in an unelected body, at that time, of nine old men," Santorum said.



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Sen. Hillary Clinton, D-N.Y., voices concerns that the supporters of the new partial-birth abortion bill are waiting for a change on the Supreme Court to overrule the decision made in the Roe v. Wade decision.

Unrest contributes to rising oil prices

Gasoline prices, over $2 per gallon in some places, could threaten U.S. economy

By Jim Leahy
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Americans love their SUVs and other large cars that have terrible gas mileage and make for a menace on the roads. With the prospective war in Iraq, gas prices have spiked over recent weeks to reflect the uncertainty that grips the world markets. Because a vast majority of the world's reserves of oil sits underneath the Persian Gulf region, many worry that the war could disrupt supplies.

As a result, gas and oil prices are spiking to record levels, causing many Americans to rethink their driving habits. Road travel is down and businesses like trucking companies are feeling the squeeze.

Oil supplies in America are at a level lower than necessary to maintain a seamless supply of oil for the American people and businesses. MSNBC.com cites the lower level of oil inventories, near their lowest level since 1975, as a danger to gas supplies in the coming summer, when more Americans tend to travel. According to MSNBC.com, the second quarter is when companies typically replenish supplies that were drained following the winter months.

A research note from J.P. Morgan said, "The U.S. needs large slugs of extra oil to cope with the increase in (refinery) runs, stop the erosion of inventories and to begin to claw back some cover. The U.S. oil market is undersupplied. The main problem is that while global oil demand does indeed hit a minimum (in the second quarter), U.S. crude oil runs increase."

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> *—MSNBC.com*

All this is causing havoc at the gas pumps, where Americans are paying higher prices than they have in the recent past. According to *The New York Times*, the Department of Energy's weekly price checks found that the cost for a gallon of regular gasoline averaged from about $1.61 in the Gulf Coast region to as high as $2.15 in California, a jump by as much as 6 cents per gallon in the past week. Until now, the highest average price paid was in May 2001 when prices were at an average of $1.71 across the country.

"The EIA noted that the current prices, if inflation were taken into account, might still be considered a bargain compared to what motorists paid in 1981. Using today's dollars, gasoline cost an equivalent of $2.90 a gallon in March 1981 in the aftermath of the turmoil in oil supply caused by Iran's 1979 Islamic revolution," *The New York Times* reported.

The Automobile Association of America reported this week that gasoline prices are running about 50 cents per gallon higher this year than they were a year ago, according to MSNBC.com.

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At the same time, Saudi Arabia, the nation with the largest reserve of oil, is working to create a stockpile of oil it can release into the market should Iraqi or Kuwaiti production be affected in the war.

According to *The New York Times*, Saudi Arabia has built up a 50 million barrel reserve over the past several months that it can tap immediately if problems arise. Crude oil prices recently traded in the $34 to $36 per barrel range.

"Saudi Arabia is producing about 9 million barrels a day, [a representative of the Saudi oil ministry] said, or about 1.5 million more than its OPEC [Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries] quota. The Saudis have about 1.5 million barrels of additional production capacity that they can bring on in less than several weeks, if the need arises, he said. Independent experts have estimated that Saudi Arabia is producing 9.2 million to 9.5 million barrels a day, with an additional one million barrels that can be called upon," *The New York Times* reported.

All this will create a situation where prices may remain high for the coming weeks as the war in Iraq is pursued. OPEC nations are prepared to continue the supply needed by the world market to make sure oil supplies remain constant. Many hope that a win in Iraq will drive prices down, but they know that any drop in prices is still well off in the distance. American gas prices will not fall until oil falls, something that may put a crimp on the summer travel season.

> **"I have opinions of my own, strong opinions, but I don't always agree with them."**
> *—U.S. President George W. Bush*

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Men's Lacrosse falls to Maryland

Bison fall to the .500 mark after a disappointing 14-8 loss to third-ranked Maryland

By Pat Evans
Sports Editor

The Bison men's lacrosse team gave third-ranked Maryland all it could handle but ended up losing the game in the fourth quarter 14-8.

The team had a two game-winning streak going into the contest, picking up two 10-2 wins against Harvard and Butler. The Bison are now 2-2 overall and have yet to play a league game.

Maryland and the Bison played to a 6-6 tie after the first quarter and the Terps took the lead 9-7 going into the final quarter. From then on it was all Maryland as the Bison were unable to handle the Terps' pressure defense.

"The key was that we didn't have enough depth," Head Coach Sid Jamieson said. "We played well for a long time, but eventually it wears on you when you don't have many guys to fill in. Maryland's game plan was to work us hard when we were on offense so that we would eventually tire, and they were able to do that."

Dennis Geraghty '03 scored three goals for the Bison, while Rob Lane '03 and Andrew Copelan '03 each tallied two to help in the losing effort.

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> ***—Sid Jamieson**, head coach*

"We were a little gassed," Copelan said. "They're a good team, but this loss isn't something we're going to let get to us, we're going to put it behind us and move on."

The Bison missed a few opportunities to score at critical points in the game. In the late third quarter and early fourth quarter they had two chances to shoot on an empty net after they stole the goalie's clearing pass but were unable to capitalize.

"Those are the plays that really make a difference in games like these, and we didn't do that," Jamieson said.

Maryland is a scholarship program that will surely be competing for a national title this season, but the Bison have never been ones to back down from such a challenge. Despite the final score, Jamieson was happy with how his team responded.

"Our guys went right at this team," Jamieson said. "They weren't intimidated at all, and that's what you have to do. That winning attitude is the function of the guys in our program right now."

The Bison's resilient efforts were better rewarded against Harvard where they stifled all the Crimson's attempts and came away with a 10-2 victory. Justin Sussman '03 performed well in the game, saving 20 shots and helping his team secure the win despite being outshot 37-

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Tennis sees much success over spring break

Women dominate the competition with a 7-0 preseason record; men struggle

By Pat Evans
Sports Editor

The women's tennis team has dominated all of its competition, and it is now 7-0 in its spring season after sweeping Delaware on March 16. The men continue to struggle, losing all but one of their matches over spring break, but they are focusing on the experience that their young team is gaining before playing Patriot League matches.

Nadezda Curcic '05 and Veronica Brown '06 started off the day against Delaware, winning the opening doubles 8-3. From there on out it was all Bison. The team did not lose a single doubles set all day.

Tanya Sichko '05 teamed up with Rheanna Gaskin '06 and Jill Wurzburg '03 joined Samantha Berthod '04 to finish off the clean sweep.

Singles play proved to be a bit more challenging but the Bison won all six spots to end the match with an overall 7-0 win.

"The mental attitude of the entire team is what is enabling them to be so successful," Head Coach Rebecca Helt said. "They take the court and refuse to lose, which is a mental frame of mind that I haven't seen here in awhile."

Earlier in the week the Bison knocked off St. Bonaventure 6-1, Niagra 4-3, Vassar 6-2, Indiana-Purdue-Fort Wayne 7-0 and Evansville 5-2. Part of the reason they have been able to dominate is because of the addition of Brown at the No. 2 singles spot and her contributions in the doubles games as well.

"Adding a strong freshman to the top of the lineup really helps us secure wins," Helt said.

The men lost three of the four matches they played over the break, dropping to Rhodes College 6-1, Norfolk State 7-0 and Penn State 7-0 and picking up a win against Indiana-Purdue-Fort Wayne 7-0.

"They've played some very strong teams this year and the schedule isn't going to get any easier for them," Helt said. "I do this on purpose to push them and to prepare them for the Patriot League games later in the season."

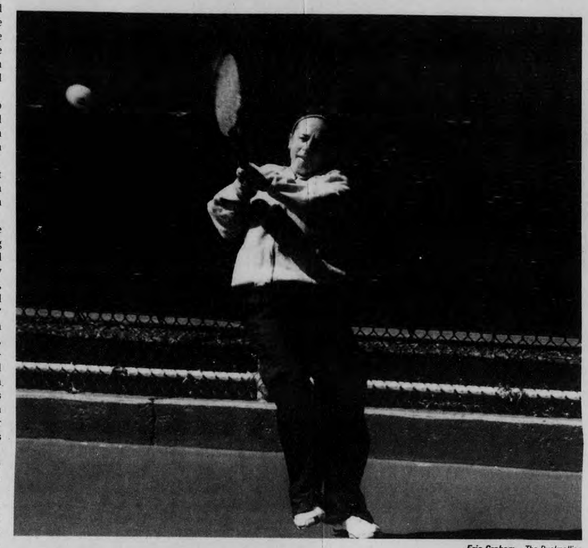
The Indiana-Purdue-Fort Wayne win showed that the Bison do have the potential to play at a very high level. The team dominated play, sweeping the competition. Nick Denefrio '05, Gerald DiChiara '05, Todd Jacobs '03, Asher Salam '06, Joe Menezes '05 and Aaron Saperstein '05 each picked up wins to contribute to the team's overall winning effort.

"The key for us is to just play more," Menezes said. "It's early in the season, we're young and we're improving and building every game."

Youth has been something that the men have realized would be an issue coming into this season. Jacobs is the Bison's sole upperclassman and is relied on to lead the inexperienced squad.

"They're playing very solid as a team right now," Helt said. "But they've got a young lineup and they're all playing in spots where they're really going to be challenged every match."

The women travel to take on Pittsburgh next Saturday at 11 a.m., and the men go to St. Bonaventure starting at 9 a.m.



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Jill Wurzburg '03 (above) defeated Gina Turturiello from Loyola in straight sets, 6-3, 6-1. With her win Wurzburg helped extend the Bison winning streak to seven matches in a row.

Indoor track teams complete their seasons

Team looks forward to a successful outdoor season

By Evan Honeyfield
Staff Writer

The men's and women's indoor track teams completed their season at the IC4A and ECAC meets on March 8 and 9 in Boston.

Eric Furst '03 and Theresa Dennis '03 each captured a fourth-place finish to led their respective teams and earn All-East status.

After watching the first two heats of the 1,000-meter trials, Furst knew how fast he needed to run to qualify for finals. Taking charge early, he led his heat through 800 meters and then coasted home.

"I ran a very conservative trial, which placed me firmly into finals," Furst said. "I was comfortable the whole time."

The finals didn't go quite as well as expected, with a very slow opening 400 meters.

"That style race doesn't suit me too well," Furst said. "I tried to push for the finish at 100 meters to go, but got caught out on the turn and lost my momentum, smashing my hopes of the title. Being All-East isn't a terrible consolation prize."

Lou Palma '03 in the mile and Ryan Newberger '05 in the 200 also made the finals, but not as easily.

Similar to Furst, Palma was in the last heat of the mile and

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Bucknell falls to Holy Cross in the P.L. Tournament

Bison overcame a 25-17 halftime deficit to defeat Lehigh in the first round of the tournament

By Dave Cohen
Senior Writer

A 52-47 win over Lehigh in the first round advanced the Bison to the semifinal of the Patriot League Tournament for the second straight year and for the tenth time in the 13-year history of the tournament. The Bison lost to the eventual champions of the tournament, Holy Cross, 75-50 in the semifinal game.

The fifth seeded Bison overcame a 25-17 halftime deficit against the Mountain Hawks and shot only 30 percent in the first half, but were able to come back to get the win. Kevin Bettencourt's '06 three point shooting combined with stingy defense headed by Dan Blankenship '03 who held Lehigh's leading scorer, Matt Logie, scoreless for the majority of the second half were the keys to the game.

Bettencourt sank three consecutive three pointers in the third quarter to cut the deficit to three at 36-33, and that's when the Bison began to take over the game.

The Orange and Blue rallied a 25-6 run over Lehigh capped off by Bettencourt's fifth three pointer of the day to make the score 49-40 in favor of the Bison.

Lehigh pulled to within three to make the score 50-47 with 18 seconds left, but the Bison were able to inbound the ball to Blankenship who hit two free throws to seal the deal.

Lalugba scored a game-high 21 points against Holy Cross in the semifinal game, but Holy Cross proved to be too much for the Bison, coming out to an early 15-5 lead and never trailing. The Crusaders went on to win 75-50 and were the eventual champions of the tournament.

The men's basketball team dropped its second consecutive game on March 2 to Colgate by the score of 64-56 in front of nearly 3,000 fans at Sojka Pavilion on Senior Day.

Andrew Zidar led the way for the Raiders with 15 points and 11 rebounds, including scoring nine straight points to propel his team to an early 13-1 advantage. Colgate also received 15 points from Mark Linebaugh and 10 from Howard Blue. Boakai Lalugba '03 said Zidar's play was significant in propelling the Raiders to a road

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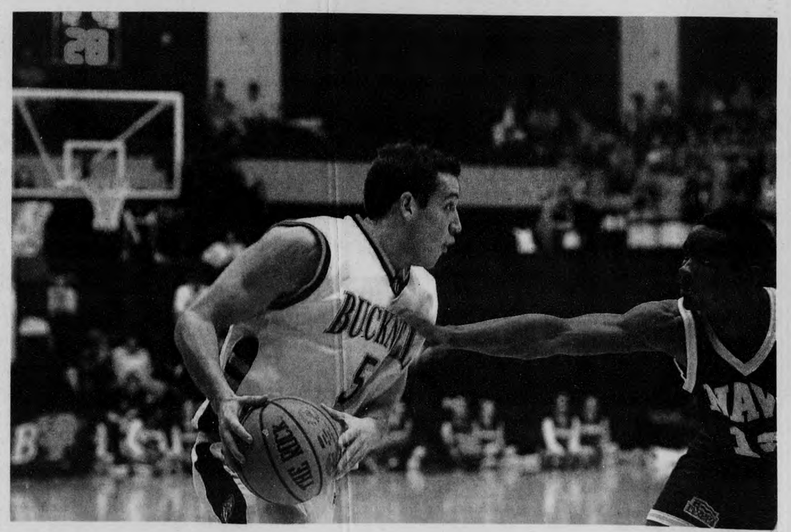

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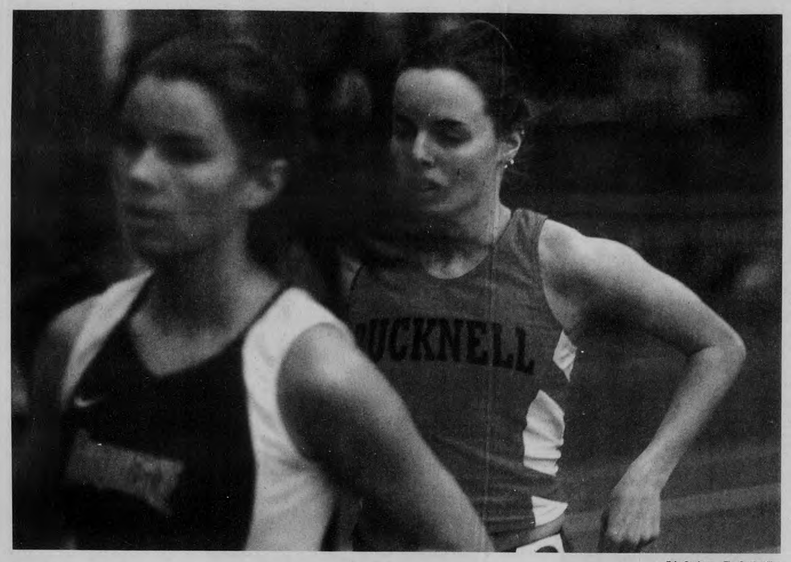
Dan Blankenship '03 protects the ball from a Navy opponent during a contest at Sojka Pavilion. Blankenship and the Bison's tough defense helped defeat Lehigh 52-47 in the first round of the Patriot League Tournament, allowing the team to advance the next round, where it fell to Holy Cross.

Sports

Bison track and field athletes conclude another superb season



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Theresa Dennis '03 gears up to pass an opponent at Gerhard Fieldhouse. Dennis set a personal record and earned a fourth-place finish in the 5,000 with a time of 17:12. She hopes to continue her string of accomplishments during the quickly-approaching outdoor season in the 10,000 and 5,000.

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knew what he needed. Squeezing into the finals, as the second to last qualifier, Palma ran a personal best of 4 minutes, 10 seconds. In the finals, Palma was with the pack through 1400m, before fading to 10th.

Head Coach Kevin Donner was impressed by Palma.

"He really came to play. I am very excited to see what he does this outdoor season," Donner said.

Cutting it even closer, Newberger qualified for the 200-meter final by 0.03 with an impressive 21.93. This effort pushed him to No. 2 all time for Bucknell. In the final, Newberger managed to break 22 seconds again to finish 10th.

Other men who competed included Noel Powell '03 in the long jump and the distance medley relay (DMR) of Matias Palavecino '03, Brain Klotz '03, John Trotta '06 and Wes Reinhardt '04. Powell struggled with foul trouble early, resulting in a shorter final jump from playing it safe to get a mark. The DMR ran a good race, as Palavecino and Trotta split seasonal bests, but the effort wasn't quite fast enough to qualify for the final.

On the women's side, Dennis earned All-East status once again with a personal best of 17:12 in the 5,000. Dennis went through the mile easily and then made an aggressive move from 10th to 4th. Leading the pack chasing the leaders for the rest of the race, she was able to hold on to her position.

"It was my first All-East indoors, so I was really excited," Dennis said after her race.

Dennis is hoping to build on the momentum for outdoors.

"I would like to break 36 minutes in the 10k, qualify for regionals in the 5, and I am looking for the school record to fall in the 5k as well. Of course a Patriot League Championship in either or both events would end my Bucknell running career nicely," Dennis said.

A number of Bison also had strong performances even though they did not make the finals. Amy Calvo '05 placed 14th in the 500, missing the finals by a mere 0.14 seconds. Jen Marsh '05 and Nicki Piper '03 placed 13th and 16th, respectively, in the 1000, with Marsh running a personal best. Charity Brady '03 finished 21st in 400 and then teamed up with Piper, Calvo and Monique Boley '05 to place 19th in the 4x400-meter relay.

The Bison are now looking towards a strong outdoor campaign, opening their season tomorrow at University of Maryland Baltimore County for the Raider Invitational.

"It's a very early outdoor meet in which we plan to train through it," Donner said. "Hopefully the weather still allows us to get some nice performances. It's also a great meet to see some of our athletes who compete in outdoor only events such as the 400 hurdles, javelin and hammer," Donner said.

Bison fall to top seeded Holy Cross in the semis of P.L. Tourney

By Joe Schweitzer
Staff Writer

The Bucknell women's basketball team defeated an upset-minded Navy squad 79-69 in overtime on March 7. Unfortunately, the squad was unable to pull off its own upset on March 9 and fell to top-seeded Holy Cross 66-63 in the semifinals of the Patriot Tournament. The Bison finished the season with a 13-15 record.

"I will never be the coach of a team that does not believe," Head Coach Kathy Fedorajka said after Sunday's loss.

"Believing" is the motto of this Bison squad, and it showed throughout the tournament as it continued to fight through adversity. Despite being the fourth seed in the tournament, the Orange and Blue were considered to be a very dangerous team.

A fearless Navy squad took it to the Bison in the first half and looked poised for the upset by scorching the nets with an amazing shooting performance. At one point, the Midshipmen were a blistering 78 percent from three-point land as they finished the first half with eight treys. The Orange and Blue offense was cold as ice and shot a dismal 30 percent in the first frame. The Bison created other scoring opportunities by connecting on 13 free throws to weather the Navy storm and head into the locker room down only four, 35-31.

Maile Shimoda opened the second half with two more of her amazing seven long balls to keep the heat on the Orange and Blue. Bucknell clawed back into the contest, but the team's poor shooting continued as even Patriot League MVP Molly Creamer '03 struggled to find her touch. Navy stretched its lead to double digits for much of the second half until finally Desire Almind '04 helped the Bison start to believe.

"I had no doubt we were going to win this game," Almind said. "We were not going to be denied."

The junior all-league performer was everywhere on the court during the final twelve minutes of the game. There was not a rebound that she didn't have her hand on and she continued to knock down tough inside shots virtually refusing to allow her team and her senior friends to settle for an early exit.

She kept the Bison in the contest just long enough until Creamer took over the game with just over four minutes remaining and the Bison down 14. Creamer lacked her silky shooting touch from the field, but created opportunities for herself from the foul line as she connected on seven free throws en route to scoring 18 of the Bison's final 22 points. None of the points were sweeter than the last three. With the Orange and Blue trailing by three points, and just seconds left, Kate Franks '03 misfired from downtown, but Almind and Creamer believed. Almind quickly grabbed the rebound and found a wide-open Creamer, who calmly drained a three pointer with three seconds left to tie the contest at 68. Creamer's shot sent Navy reeling as they were outscored 11 to 1 in the overtime period including seven more points from Molly to seal a 79-69 victory.

Navy shot an unbelievable 13 for 27 from beyond the arc to set a new Patriot League record and Shimoda set the individual record with her 7 for 10 performance en route to 26 points for the game to go with 10 assists.

Creamer was off the mark for much of the night, but fought her way to 36 points, eight rebounds and five assists. Almind dominated the paint setting a Patriot League Tournament record with 19 rebounds to go along with 23 points.

"I had no doubt we were going to win this game [against Navy]. We were not going to be denied."
—Desire Almind '04

The women pushed themselves to win all season long.

"Well I would rather be someone that works too hard than someone that doesn't work hard enough," Creamer said.

Two days later the team was back in semifinal action for a rematch of last year's Patriot League championship against rival Holy Cross. Bad blood boiled all season between these two league powers and both were out to prove their abilities.

The first half had all the action of a pay-per-view fight with the squads trading blow for blow as neither team led by more than six the entire contest. The Bison continued to believe as important role players stepped up at key moments and Creamer added the final six points of the half to pull Bucknell within two, 30-28.

The second half was packed with more thrills and plenty of unlikely heroes. Amy Ketcham '05 rattled off four straight points just when Holy Cross was looking to pull away. Lindsey Geosits '06 stepped up on the defensive end pressuring the Crusaders into turnovers. Co-captain Franks then stepped into the limelight connecting on a couple of three pointers to pull the Orange and Blue within one, 56-55. Down the stretch it was again Creamer's time to shine as she dribbled down the court with her team down by one with just 30 seconds left in her career. Creamer slashed to the basket easily and was clobbered by a Holy Cross defender as she attempted a shot, but no whistle was blown. The Crusaders extended their lead to three on a running hook shot in the lane, but the Bison would have a chance for the tie with six seconds left. It was the same situation as Navy, only this time Creamer missed the first three pointer and again it was Almind with the rebound and pass to an open Franks. The ball didn't bounce Bucknell's way, and the Bison suffered a 66-63 defeat rather than heading to overtime.

The game marked the end of two of the most successful women's basketball careers in school history, as Franks and Creamer will graduate in May. Franks took one last record with her by setting a single-season record for three pointers made in a season 66, and scored 16 points in her last contest. Creamer finished one of the greatest careers in school, league and national basketball history by tallying 15 points and earning a first-team all tournament selection.

The one bright spot of the game was the way some of the young players stepped up and believed in themselves to show that the Orange and Blue will have a bright future. Amy Ketcham '05 had a monster tournament in the low post and just missed a double double in the semifinal with 10 rebounds and nine points. Geosits played suffocating pressure defense to go with four points and nine rebounds. Almind was also selected to the all-tournament team after posting her seventh double double in the last 10 games with 17 points and 10 rebounds.

"I will never be the coach of a team that does not believe."
—Head Coach Kathy Fedorajka after Sunday's loss to Holy Cross

The 2002-2003 Bucknell women's basketball team swallowed one of its most bitter defeats Feb. 28 as it fell 91-79 to Holy Cross. The Orange and Blue could not wait to get their hands on Holy Cross in the friendly confines of Sojka Pavilion as these teams have waged a heated rivalry ever since the Bison's memorable victory in last season's Patriot League Championship game. Holy Cross was again the top-ranked team in the league and had been since the preseason, while no one has given Bucknell an ounce of respect since their championship run, including the Crusaders' players and coaches.

That motivation was not enough as Holy Cross had an answer for every run the Bison forged throughout the night. The Orange and Blue executed perfectly in the first half and played solid half court defense, but Holy Cross turned to a fast break attack in the second half and created many easy opportunities to help them put Bucknell away.

Creamer continued her remarkable season with a game-high 28 points. Geosits

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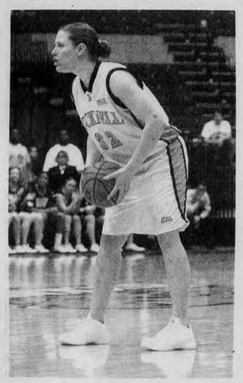

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Kate Franks '03 looks downcourt during an earlier game. The Bison defeated Navy in the first round of the PL Tournament.

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Lindsey Geosits '06 splits a pair of Navy foes earlier in the season. The Bison put away Navy in the first round of the Patriot League Tournament on March 7, but could not overcome favored Holy Cross in the following round.

Sports Ops

Cecily Cairns Classic Corner

Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

A flag worth facing

This Monday I had the pleasure of chuckling my way through the 685 words that constitute Toni Smith's written response to the indignation her antics have bred in hundreds of Americans. This morass of triteness was committed to media courtesy of The Sporting News, a publication that has been in circulation since 1886, covering athletics in this country all the way across a timeline that has transversed a handful of wars, conflicts and national crises.

As America stares down its next battle, the pages of our oldest sports news source gave the pen to Smith, a sociology major at Manhattanville College whose favorite quote, according to her profile on the college's athletics Web site, is "It will be a great day when our schools get all the money they need and the military has to hold a bake sale to buy a bomber."

Smith, who has received far more attention for her insipid protest of the war on Iraq than she ever could have gained through athletic prowess, chose to regale us with an explanation of her actions.

In all fairness, she has a right to explain herself. Luckily for her, this is America, a place where freedoms like that are considered worth dying for, even though clearly that isn't something her self-proclaimed "deep thinking" mind can wrap its cerebral cortex around.

Fortunately, everyone who reads the statement has the right to wade through her college-cultivated proclamations of inequalities—platitude by platitude—and gut her idealized version of "justice" with the flashing incisors of reality, maturity and duty.

I'm willing to admit that I am not yet equipped with those weapons of intellect. Unlike Smith, I have the humility to recognize the fact that sports-writers who outgun me in age by 20 years probably have the upper hand when it comes to understanding the workings of justice and the meaning of life in this country. Nonetheless, I can't resist throwing myself into the fray, armed with what I *have* learned in my 21 years.

What I do know is that Smith's diatribe hit an unpleasant chord (in an already unpleasant symphony) with me when she said, "The American flag … is a political symbol that represents power and conquest. *It has no relation to sports.*"

Sorry, "Lady T," but you're dead wrong. You couldn't be *more* wrong. I'm not one to tell people their opinions are wrong, but I'd have to say that with that statement, your words stumbled out of the realm of opinion and into the domain of pure fallacy.

That flag on your gymnasium's wall—along with every American flag across the world, from the tattered one that flew over the ruins of the Twin Towers to the tiny silk flag that sits above me as I type this column—is not simply the symbol of some war, some "conquest," some greedy looting of the meek that you have concocted in your narrow mind. It is a symbol of more things than you seem capable of imagining.

Among those things are the qualities that constitute everything sports have meant to this country for the past 200 years and everything that sports ought to be.

Unity, for one. Our country's flag is a symbol of unity, a foundation of this nation and a foundation of American sports. Unity is bigger than diversity. Bigger than pettiness. Bigger than self-serving ideals and egocentric itineraries.

When you put on a uniform and line up with your teammates, you become part of a unit that drives toward a simple goal—to defend what you have collectively fought so hard to obtain in the first place.

Athletes work together to earn and maintain for their team all that makes sports worthwhile, the things that have also defined our country and are implicit in the red, white and blue rectangle of fabric that you spurn—pride, courage, work ethic and ultimately, the American Dream.

This country was founded by a bunch of misfits, with nothing much to build on but hope and pertinacity. We were the 1962 New York Mets of the 18th century world.

But the Mets and America, we both turned out OK. That's how it works with the American Dream. You can build mansions from matchsticks—it doesn't always go that way, of course, but it's possible in our nation.

This country's flag waves for pride, too. Not conceit, not self-worship or really even confidence, but a different kind of pride—the pride born in knowing that you did everything possible to aid your cohorts toward the common goal. Pride is in part a construct of winning, but it has more to do with courage and work ethic. Without work ethic, there is no pride. Without courage, there is no pride.

Some sportswriters, whom I struggle to believe are actually adults, have called you courageous, and its easy to tell that you, too, think its an appropriate label for your little flirt with martyrdom.

I'm supremely confident, though, that what you have done has little to do with courage.

Courage is waiting in the scorching desert sun, not knowing what the next week, the next day, the next hour will bring, not knowing when, if ever, you'll see your homeland and your loved ones again. Courage is standing up to hijackers, orchestrating your own fiery demise in a Pennsylvania field so that hundreds of would-be victims can walk home alive and hug their kids that evening without ever knowing their lives were in peril. Courage is taking a slug from an AK in the gut to protect some snide little college student's right to turn her back on everything you've fought for.

On a much smaller and far less critical stage, sports operate on similar principles, more so than any other form of entertainment.

It would, of course, be naïve to think that there isn't corruption in this nation. It's true that our flag—just like every other flag—has flown over scandal, swindle, shame and bloody soil. That's nothing new.

It's familiar ground to the world of sports, too. Diabolic motives, greed, cheating, bribing, discrimination, miscalculation, disparity—you name it, it's been a part of the sports world's seedy underbelly at some point in history.

But in the face of all the horror and injustice, amid the monotony of life's struggles, our flag reminds us to fight the good fight. It reminds us that there's something to persist for in the first place.

And that notion is, and always will be, entrenched in the great American sport. Athletes and real sports fans just understand that. Ask Ted Williams. Ask Pat Tillman. Ask Rick Monday. Ask the 1980 U.S. Olympic hockey team.

It isn't blind patriotism. It's not that we've failed to seek insight into what we're saluting. It's just that we see something you flag-scorners *can't* see.

Our flag—and all the beauty that it represents—has everything to do with sports. *Everything.*

That is why we line up, facing our nation's symbol, with all its political implications and all its history, good, bad and otherwise. That is why Old Glory flies over ballparks, stadiums, gymnasiums, racetracks and playing fields all over our nation. That's why we line up, with our hands over our hearts, shoulder to shoulder with our teammates, our comrades, and face the flag.

So go ahead and turn away. You have every right to do so. Turn away from all of it.

The athletes who really *get* sports, the people you think are naïve, from multimillion dollar, hot-shot, world-class athletes like Mike Piazza and Al Leiter to broken-down walk-ons like myself, will still stand aside our teammates and face that flag.

We—the blind patriots, the political sheep, the hypocrites—we'll do just fine without you.

Scott Kloss
Senior Writer

Wartime decisions

The country is gearing up for the impending war in Iraq (as of Wednesday afternoon). As around the time of 9/11, sports has played a healing element and normalizing factor, demonstrating the determination of the American spirit to not have lives altered by threats or fears from foreign actors. March Madness and the Opening Day of baseball are next in line for sportsfans. Should we play the games? What are the risks? These are questions high level officials have wrestled with for months, ultimately deciding on distinct and prudent measures.

Opening Day of baseball was less than one week away and was expected to kick off with a showcase in Japan featuring the Seattle Mariners and Oakland Athletics on March 25. Schedules are set in stone right? Not so says baseball commissioner Bud Selig. Baseball has decided to keep its players local, rescheduling the games for April 3 and June 30 in Oakland.

According to ESPN.com Selig stated that "given the uncertainty that now exists throughout the world, we believe the safest course of action for the players involved and the many staff personnel who must work the games is to reschedule the opening series. It would be unfair and terribly unsettling for them to be half a world away—away from their families at this critical juncture."

Players have not been shy voicing their desire to stay near their families in this time of need.

ESPN.com reported earlier in the week that before the decision Oakland third baseman Eric Chavez said, "We've got guys going to war for our country. I want to be here. Call me patriotic or whatever, this is where I want to be."

"I don't like the idea of being out of the country when the country is going to war," Seattle first baseman John Olerud said.

Besides this recall of American-based teams, there are no other plans to delay any games that have been scheduled in the United States. The feeling is to keep the American public on as normal a schedule as possible considering the position we are in. Basketball at the collegiate level has also echoed those sentiments.

After a lengthy deliberation, the NCAA has concluded that they will not postpone or move any men's and women's basketball tournament games or other events if the United States goes to war with Iraq.

"We are also concerned that life goes on as normal," NCAA president Myles Brand said. "We see no reason, after consulting with Homeland Defense Secretary Tom Ridge, to make any alterations to our plan."

CBS, the broadcast station that has exclusive rights to televise the tournament, has reached an agreement to move NCAA Tournament games to ESPN and ESPN2 if war breaks out in Iraq; which would free up CBS for 24/7 broadcasting of the situation.

In order for the games to go on, strict security measures have been introduced prohibiting items including large bags, backpacks and large purses; firearms, explosives and other weapons; cans and coolers; artificial noise-makers; large signs, flags, sticks, poles, banners and laser pointers; video cameras on game days; and food or beverages.

Playing the games will take our minds off possible Iraqi use of chemical and biological warfare on our troops, instead allowing our minds to drift to the pleasures our nation has to offer. America is at a time when the "United" in "United States of America" needs to shine forth, both in the political arena and in sports, where unsung heroes entertain and keep time ticking forward.

Me like sportz

Aaron DeRosa
Senior Editor

Baseball keeps rolling on

Tail firmly planted between its chafing thighs, major-league-baseball has decided to forego the playing of its opening day series in Japan due to America's war with the world. I'm glad to hear at least someone in this country can get an airline ticket refund.

Although the union president and the commish himself are saying that this is the "prudent" course of action, I can't help but feel how weak this makes our nation look. On the one hand, we have unilaterally spear-headed a war with a dictator, destroyed ties with our closest allies and stripped the United Nations of all credibility and power on a foundation of hubris, yet at the same time we're scared to hop an overnight flight to Tokyo to get some good Kung Pao pork.

Yes, sporting events are great terrorist threat sites, but don't you think they could find better teams to threaten than the Seattle Mariners and the Oakland Athletics? We've seen that Osama has read up on his de Sausser and Derrida. He knows his signs and signifiers. The World Trade Center as a signifier of financial security and the Pentagon as a signifier of military security were appropriate targets. But if Osama were really serious, he'd pick a much more "symbolic" team than Seattle or Oakland—the Yankees for instance.

Ahh, let's all think what that might look like: a world without Yankees. I see roads paved with gumdrops and candy cane lampposts; cars run on chocolate and ballpark hot dogs cost a nickel; Roger Clemens (the only one to survive the blast, shielded by an over-inflated ego and a canopy of broken bat shards that hovers over his head like a cartoon rain cloud) runs a tobogganing store in Pensacola where he sits in a corner so local kids can poke at him with shrimp skewers.

But in all seriousness, in honor of major-league-baseball's war effort, I have composed a new version of the official song of the U.S. Army, originally set to "As those caissons going rolling along" and heretofore entrust it to your memory.

Official song of major-league-baseball
Written and adapted by Aaron DeRosa

Coast along, sing our song,
We're the Army of the scared.
Notice the urine streaming forth
Collecting in pools at Safeco park
We're baseball and proud of our shame
We're baseball and proudly proclaim

First to flee for the States,
And to drive up ticket rates,
As our prices go rolling along
Proud of all we have done
Just to sell the Yanks the sun
As free-trade goes rolling along.

Refrain:
Then it's Hi! Hi! Hey!
The union's on its way
to make sure the All-star game is dull
For where e'er we go,
Fans will always know
Baseball's interests go rolling along.

A-Rod still scoring runs
while depleting Texas funds
As baseball goes rolling along
Lou Piniella, not so smart,
Always clutching at his heart,
But baseball keeps rolling along.

Refrain:
Then it's Hi! Hi! Hee!
No more drugs for me.
Ephedra tests will always be a joke
Because you'll never know
though my stats will surely grow
because the union goes rolling along

Refrain:
Then it's Hi! Hi! Hey!
Baseball's on its way.
To show that our country ain't afraid,
For where e'er we go,
The world will always know
That baseball will hide in its cave.

For the Mets, it's all about the chemistry

By Mark Walker
Staff Writer

The odds of the New York Mets winning the World Series significantly improved last Wednesday following a Spring Training matchup against the Los Angeles Dodgers.

With the Mets trailing 10-1 in the bottom of the 6th, Mike Piazza stepped up to the plate to face Guillermo Mota, who had plunked Piazza with a pitch last spring, creating some bad blood between the two. Mota's first pitch brushed Piazza way off the plate. On the ensuing pitch, Mota threw a fastball towards Piazza's head, hitting him in the upper back.

Piazza had clearly had enough of getting thrown at, especially in a meaningless Grapefruit League rout, and instantly took off towards the mound. Mota, in self-defense, threw his mitt at Piazza and then backpedaled like a coward. Three Dodgers struggled to hold back Piazza, who had an angry and possessed look in his eyes. With Piazza restrained, the rest of the Mets came to his defense and charged after Mota who gutlessly retreated into the Dodger dugout behind the protection of his teammates.

Following the game, Piazza remained more furious than when someone calls long distance without using 10-10-220. After being ejected, Piazza went to the Dodger clubhouse looking to confront Mota. Dodger outfielder Brian Jordan had already escorted Mota out of the stadium, preventing further confrontation.

As a result of the bench-clearing incident, Mike Piazza and some other Mets will likely receive suspensions and miss the start of the season. Also, this gives the Mets another unneeded distraction that the New York media will play up all season, much like they did with the Roger Clemens situation over the past few seasons. Considering this, how could I say that this event will actually help the Mets in the long run?

This fracas will go a long way toward creating the chemistry in the Mets' locker room that was completely lacking all of last year.

The 2002 New York Mets were quite possibly the most underachieving team in sports history. General manager Steve Phillips and the Mets ownership had cleaned out their wallets to bring in big name players, such as Roberto Alomar, Jeromy Burnitz, Mo Vaughn and Roger Cedeno. The team came in last place, because a lack of unity caused the talent to underachieve.

All of last season, conflicts and distractions arose within the clubhouse, which caused the Mets to lose focus of the game. Several players were accused of smoking pot, Shawn Estes failed to come to Mike Piazza's defense, as he "missed" Roger Clemens with a fastball, Roberto Alomar and Rey Ordonez had some choice words for one another, and Mike Piazza's focus was taken away from the clubhouse to clear up rumors regarding his sexuality.

Last week's incident between Piazza and Mota will undoubtedly bring back a lot of the chemistry that could not be found in the Mets organization last year. Piazza did not charge the mound alone. The second he left the batters box, the rest of the Mets sprinted on to the field to support Piazza. They did not pull a Derek Jeter and just come out of the dugout and stand around, pretending they were supporting Piazza. Instead, the Mets players shared Piazza's fury and frantically chased Mota all the way into the dugout. Jeromy Burnitz, finally doing something productive in a Met uniform, led the charge at Mota. Following Burnitz were all 170 pounds of Joe McEwing, who, despite his small size, was willing to come to the defense of his teammate.

Piazza had to feel great that his teammates enthusiastically came to his defense. The Mets made it clear that an attack on one Met was an attack on the whole team. Moreover, Mota's foolishness was the spark that the Mets needed to unite them as a team.

Last year, the Mets had arguably the most raw talent in the league, but struggled because they were not a team, but rather a group of individuals wearing the same color jersey. This year, the Mets added even more talent by bringing in Tom Glavine, Mike Stanton, Cliff Floyd and Manager Art Howe. The only thing that can keep the 2003 Mets from a successful season is if the team does not gel together as one. Without question, last Wednesday's incident brought the Mets together as one and created a lot more chemistry in the locker room. With a talented team now united as one, nothing should prevent the Mets from bringing the first World Series championship to Queens in 17 years.

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Lacrosse hopes to overcome preseason slump

After a disappointing preseason, lacrosse is ready regular season success

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"We didn't have the best game against North Carolina the game before, but we knew that we had the confidence and that it was just about putting the pieces of the puzzle together," Sussman said. "Coach put together a good game plan, and we did what we had to do."

Copelan and Andrew Sanders '03 had two goals apiece for the Bison and five other players got on the board, which made it very difficult for Harvard to focus on any one player.

"When a lot of different people are scoring, it's a very good thing," Jamieson said. "That's what we had against Harvard."

The following weekend proved to be just as successful as the Bison beat Butler 10-2. This time Sussman was greatly helped by his defense that only aliowed 21 shots on goal the whole game.

Chris Cara '05 scored two goals and added five assists to spark the offense. Wes Fetchet '03, Geraghty and John Terracciano '03 tallied two goals each.

"We played a total game from beginning to end," Jamieson said. "We were in control from the very start, and we never gave them any breathing room."

After playing away the first four games of this season, the Bison are now home for five games, which includes the important Patriot League contests beginning with a match against Holy Cross tomorrow.The team will be looking to the University for support as crunch time is fast approaching for the Bison who are hoping for a Patriot League title and an automatic bid to the NCAA tournament.

"I've never been so excited to play in my life," Sussman said. "Now we get to show the school what we're about. We've been waiting to be able to play in front of our fans for a month."

Women's softball team gains its first victory

By Michelle Martin
Staff Writer

The softball team beat the University of Maine 6-1 in Orlando, Fla., on March 15 to register the first victory of its 2003 campaign.

The Bison (1-11) held Maine scoreless until the sixth inning, while scoring three runs in the third inning and one run each in the next three innings. With one out in the third, Jill Pompeii '05 and Angela Stackhouse '04 got on base on an error and a bobbled ball, respectively. Lauren Wible '06 followed with a RBI double into deep center, scoring Pompeii. Stackhouse scored on a Meredith Gill '03 walk. Jennifer Ross '05 connected with a RBI single to score Wible. The Orange and Blue tacked on another run in the fourth, when Pompeii doubled, Stackhouse singled to send Pompeii to third and Wible sacrificed bunted to bring her in. Alyssa Schneebaum '06 smashed a triple down the left field line in the fifth inning to score Ross, who had reached first base on an error.

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Kelly Haskins '05 pitches during a 2002 game. The team defeated University of Maine to record its first win.

After Maine scored a run in the sixth, the Bison came back and promptly scored another run. Stackhouse was walked, then Wible hit a double to send her to third and Ross hit a single to bring Stackhouse in. Julie Williams '06 pitched a complete game while picking up her first collegiate victory.

In the second game of the day, the Bison dropped a 6-0 decision to Quinnipiac. They held Quinnipiac to one run until the fifth inning when Quinnipiac struck for three runs and tacked on two more in the sixth. The team connected for five scattered hits, while giving up 11.

The 2003 season got off to a rocky start. The team was excited to be traveling to Orlando to participate in the Rebel Spring Games, but was not excited to drop its first 10 games. On the first day of action, March 9, the Orange and Blue lost to Butler 9-1 and to Pennsylvania 11-3.

Bucknell went up 1-0 over Butler in the first inning when Wible hit in Kristen Potts '04. Butler came back to score one run each in the second and third innings, and then opened up the game with four runs in the fourth. The Bison gave up 12 hits, while collecting only four.

Pennsylvania jumped out to a 3-0 lead in the first and tacked on three more runs in the second. The Bison attempted to stage a comeback when Stackhouse knocked in two RBIs on a double in the third inning.

The rally did not last, as Pennsylvania scored five more runs in the third and fourth innings.

They dropped their two games the next day 9-1 and 7-2 to George Mason and Fairfield, respectively. George Mason was held scoreless until the third inning, when they gave up a run. George Mason struck for two more in the fifth and three each in the sixth and seventh innings.

The lone Bison run came in the sixth inning.

Fairfield scored one run in the first inning, and then broke the game open with five runs off of four hits in the second. The Bison scored one run each in the sixth and seventh innings. Gill scored on an error by Fairfield's right fielder in the sixth. She doubled in the seventh and scored again on an error by the shortstop. The Orange and Blue connected for a season-high seven hits off of Fairfield.

They were hit just as hard by Rhode Island on March 12, when Rhode Island jumped out to a 4-0 lead in the first and never gave the Bison an opportunity to get back into the game en route to an 8-0 final tally.

In the second game of the day, Youngstown picked up two quick runs in the first inning, but then the Bison defense buckled down and allowed only two more runs throughout the rest of the game.

The defensive spark did not initiate an offensive rally, as it took until the fifth inning to record a hit. Jenna Fitch '04 connected for a single. Lauren Box '03 then reached base on a fielder's choice. Pompeii knocked in two runs on a double.

The Bison took March 13 off from the Rebel games to play the University of Central Florida and Binghamton on Central Florida's fields.

In the first game of the day, Binghamton opened up the game with five runs in the second inning. The game concluded after the fifth inning with a final score of 10-0. The Bison dropped an 11-0 decision to Central Florida later in the day.

> *"We're going to come out every weekend and play hard,"*
> *—Janelle Breneman, head coach*

The Orange and Blue came closer to a victory on March 14, but came up just short as they lost 5-3 to both Tennessee Martin and St. Joseph's. They went up 3-0 in the second inning of the contest against Tennessee Martin. Wible was walked and Gill came in as a pinch runner. The pitcher tried to pick Gill off, but instead committed a throwing error that allowed her to advance to second. Fitch grounded to third, but another error was committed that advanced all runners to the next base. Schneebaum connected for a RBI single. Another Tennessee error scored two more runs.

The lead was not to last, as the Bison gave up a run in the fourth inning and two each in the sixth and seventh innings. Williams pitched a complete game, walking two and striking out two. They were down 4-0 after three innings against St. Joseph's. The offense rallied for three runs in the fifth, but the comeback attempt fell short.

Now back in Lewisburg, the Bison look to add more wins to their record. They were voted by the Patriot League coaches to finish fifth in the league, but Head Coach Janelle Breneman does not look at the prediction negatively. Rather, she believes that anything can happen, especially as a team loaded with first-year students gains more experience.

"We're going to come out every weekend and play hard," Breneman said.

The Orange and Blue returned only three seniors and three juniors this year, and one of the seniors is out because of an injury. Four first-year team members are regular starters, and according to Breneman, have been playing very well. Wible has been hitting consistently and Williams found a spot in the starting pitching rotation.

The Bison return to action taking on Siena in a four-game series at 2 p.m. tomorrow and noon Sunday at the Bucknell West Fields.

Water polo reaches .750 mark in league

By Pat Evans
Sports Editor

The women's water polo team finished up its West Coast trip last weekend, going 1-3 at the Lancer Invitational held by Cal Baptist. The team is now 5-8 on the season and more importantly, 3-1 in league contests.

The Bison concluded the weekend with a heartbreaking loss to 20th-ranked Cal State Northridge 4-3. The Orange and Blue were down 3-1 at halftime, but battled back to tie the score midway through the fourth quarter. Despite a tremendous defensive effort the team could not hold on to get the win.

"Both teams played excellent defense," Head Coach John Zeigler said. "We missed some early opportunities to score, which would've made the difference in the game."

Goalie Lindsay Chesterfield '03 tallied a season-high 14 saves to help thwart the strong Northridge offensive attack.

"It could have gone either way," Chesterfield said. "We both put up a fight and we hung in there and did everything we could, it just didn't go our way."

Earlier in the weekend Meg Blitzer '05 scored three goals and tallied two assists to lead the Bison over Chapman 8-4. Also scoring multiple goals was Kelly Hofstetter '04 with two.

"We were a much stronger team than Chapman," Zeigler said. "Also, we're pretty deep, which kept them scrambling and wore them out."

Pomona-Pitzer and Bakersfield got the best of the Bison earlier in the tournament winning 9-7 and 9-5, respectively.

"Overall I was disappointed that we didn't win all our games on the West Coast like I thought we could've if we had played up to our potential," Zeigler said. "But I think we got a lot out of the experience."

The most important thing for the Bison is that they are ready for the league contests. The team is currently 3-1 in the Patriot League, knocking off Villanova, George Washington and Salem International earlier in the season and losing only to 17th-ranked Princeton. The team is happy with its 3-1 league record and knows that the meaning of the Lancer Invitational goes beyond the wins and losses.

"It was a good building and learning experience," Chesterfield said. "It was also a great chance for us to bond as a team, and I think we did that."

Bison finish with a 14-15 record

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victory.

"It seemed like they had an emphasis on getting him the ball down low from the start," Lalugba said. "That set the tone for the rest of the game. He only scored two points in the second half but the damage had been done by then."

Bucknell shot just 33 percent in the first half and trailed at the break by the score of 35-25. The Bison battled hard in the second half and Roland Webber's '04 three-point shot with 11 minutes, 36 seconds left to play in the game pulled the Orange and Blue to within 42-39, while capping off a 12-3 run.

Webber reflected on his ability to help the team keep the game within reach when the offense was struggling.

"I have been playing with a lot more confidence lately," Webber said. "I caught the ball in rhythm and just let it fly. It is too bad that we were unable to capitalize. There is no doubt that it was a big shot and it got us going, but Colgate hit equally big shots for the duration of the game, not just in certain situations. I just tried to provide a spark."

Bucknell actually pulled to within one point with a little over seven minutes remaining on a Tarik Viaer-McClymont '06 layup, but the Bison were only able to muster one field goal in the next five minutes.

Alvin Reed then hit a jumper to push the Raiders' lead back to three, and Dave Hardy's jumper with 2:50 remaining gave Colgate a double-digit lead again. Colgate never looked back from there. Chris Niesz '05 talked about the Hardy dagger and how it put a damper on the late Bison run, but didn't quite seal the deal at that particular point in the game.

"I didn't feel like we let one slip away at that point," Niesz said. "Because we played so poorly we really didn't deserve to win the game, but we weren't out of the game at that point."

Lalugba recorded his 16th double-double of the season, as he finished the game with 16 points and 10 rebounds. Kevin Bettencourt '06 added 11 points.

The Bison had defeated Colgate five straight times and had won nine of the last 10 contests. It was Colgate's first win in Lewisburg since 1997-98.

Niesz feels that despite the fact that there was speculation that the Raiders were due for a win, the Bison loss had nothing to do with chance.

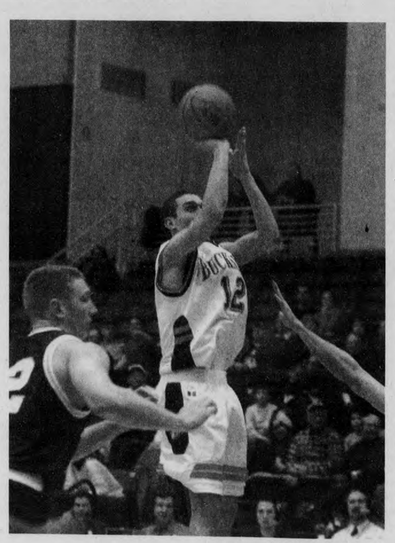
"I did not feel that Colgate was due for a win against us here at home, despite our dominance over them as of late," Niesz said. "I just feel that we played badly."

Patriot League Semifinal

Score	1st	2nd	Total
Bucknell	25	25	50
Holy Cross	42	33	75

Patriot League Quarterfinals

Score	1st	2nd	Total
Bucknell	17	35	52
Lehigh	25	22	47



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Kevin Bettencourt '06 (Above) scored 13 of 16 points to help the Bison defeat Lehigh. The Bison trailed 25-17 going into the second half. Bettencourt, the nine-time conference rookie of the week, tied his career high with five 3-pointers in the game.

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and Ketcham both stepped up their games registering career highs with 11 and 8 points, respectively, for the Orange and Blue.

The squad fought off the adversity of the Holy Cross setback and rode the emotion of Senior Night to treat Bison fans to one last thrilling home victory as they defeated Colgate 82-75 on March 2. The Bison season was marred with highs and lows, but the team completed its regular season on a high and gave seniors one last home win.

"I love our seniors," Almind said. "This night and this game was about them. I was not going to let us lose this game."

Almind held strong to her word, carrying the team on her back during certain stretches of the game as she continued her outstanding season. Colgate was primed for the upset and fought the Orange and Blue toe to toe during the first 25 minutes of the game. A key stretch where Almind had a steal, a rebound and two layups ignited the Bison. Creamer and Franks took over from there, giving fans one last glimpse at the dominating duo that changed the face of Bucknell women's basketball. The two seniors scored at will down the stretch and tallied a combined 40 points, almost half of the team's total. Almind took care of much of the rest by scoring 24 points and nabbing 15 rebounds.

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Women's Tennis

March 13

Bucknell 5, Vassar 2

Singles
1. Nadezda Curcic (Bucknell) def. Becky Weldon - 6-0, 6-2.
2. Veronica Brown (B) def. Alexis Neider - 7-5, 6-2.
3. Diya Uberoi (V) def. Tanya Sichko - 6-0, 6-1.
4. Jill Wurzburg (B) def. Kathryn Robinette - 6-2, 1-6, 6-4.
5. Rheanna Gaskin (B) vs. Tighe - DNF.
6. Samantha Berthod (B) def. Amber Gaskins - 6-1, 6-0.

Doubles
1. Curcic/Brown (B) def. Jessica Schofler/Neider - 8-1.
2. Sichko/Gaskin (B) def. Weldon/Tighe - 8-3.
3. Uberoi/Robinette (Vassar) def. Wurzburg/Berthod - 8-3.

March 13

Bucknell 7, Indiana-Purdue-Fort Wayne 0

Singles
1. Nadezda Curcic (Bucknell) def. Francesca Solari - 6-1, 6-3.
2. Veronica Brown (B) def. Stephanie Blaney - 6-1, 6-0.
3. Jill Wurzburg (B) def. Jill Carie - 6-2, 6-1.
4. Tanya Sichko (B) def. Michelle Humphrey - 6-0, 6-1.
5. Rheanna Gaskin (B) def. Beth Miller - 6-1, 6-4.
6. Samantha Berthod (B) def. Julie Downs - 6-2, 6-1.

Doubles
1. Curcic/Brown (B) def. Carie/Solari - 8-2.
2. Gaskin/Sichko (B) def. Blaney/Miller - 8-4.
3. Berthod/Wurzburg (B) def. Downs/Humphrey - 8-4.

March 14

Bucknell 5, Evansville 2

Singles
1. Jessica Jetton (Evansville) def. Nadezda Curcic - 6-3, 6-2.
2. Veronica Brown (Bucknell) def. Brooke Hoener - 6-2, 3-6, 6-2.
3. Jill Wurzburg (B) def. Rachel Tessier - 6-7 (5), 6-4, 6-1.
4. Tanya Sichko (B) def. Liz Hedde - 6-3, 6-4.
5. Rheanna Gaskin (B) def. Erica Baas - 6-4, 2-6, 6-2.
6. Samantha Berthod (B) def. Jessica Schwartz - 6-4, 6-3.

Doubles
1. Hoener/Jetton (E) def. Brown/Curcic - 8-4.
2. Hedde/Tessier (E) def. Gaskin/Sichko - 8-3.
3. Berthod/Wurzburg (B) def. Baas/Schwartz - 8-2.

March 16, 2003

Bucknell 7, Delaware 0

Singles
1. Nadezda Curcic (Bucknell) def. Jessica Wilkes - 6-2, 6-1.
2. Veronica Brown (B) def. Christine Knox - 6-4, 3-6, 6-0.
3. Jill Wurzburg (B) def. Jen Lamberton - 6-1, 6-0.
4. Tanya Sichko (B) def. Beth Principe - 6-3, 6-1.
5. Rheanna Gaskin (B) def. Stefanie Riddle - 6-0, 6-4.
6. Samantha Berthod (B) def. Katie Heath - 6-3, 4-6, 6-0.

Doubles
1. Curcic/Brown (B) def. Wilkes/Principe - 8-3.
2. Gaskin/Sichko (B) def. Knox/Lamberton - 8-3.
3. Berthod/Wurzburg (B) def. Heath/Jenna Musolino - 8-2.

March 19

Bucknell 7, Loyola 0

Singles
1. Nadezda Curcic (Bucknell) def. Carolyn Pilkington - 4-6, 6-3, 6-1.
2. Veronica Brown (B) def. Kaitlin Russo - 4-6, 6-2, 6-2.
3. Jill Wurzburg (B) def. Gina Turturiello - 6-3, 6-1.
4. Tanya Sichko (B) def. Colleen Ruane - 6-2, 5-7, 6-1.
5. Rheanna Gaskin (B) def. Amy Nitch - 3-6, 6-2, 6-1.
6. Samantha Berthod (B) def. Jessica Liberatore - 5-7, 6-0, 6-3.

Doubles
1. Curcic/Brown (Bucknell) def. Pilkington/Russo - 9-8 (2).
2. Sichko/Gaskin (B) def. Turturiello/Ruane - 8-0.
3. Nitch/Liberatore (Loyola) def. Wurzburg/Berthod - 8-4.

Men's Tennis

March 1 3

Bucknell 1, Rhodes 6

Singles
1. Andy Campbell (Rhodes) def. Nick Denefrio - 6-2, 6-3.
2. Todd Jacobs (Bucknell) def. Duncan Howell - 7-5, 6-1.
3. Logan Stevens (R) def. Asher Salam - 6-4, 3-6, 6-3.
4. Eddy Blanton (R) def. Joe Menezes - 6-2, 2-6, 5-1 (inj.).
5. Kyle Kamrath (R) def. Gerald DiChiara - 7-6 (4), 6-1.
6. Adam Dietz (R) def. Aaron Saperstein - 7-6 (6), 6-1.

Doubles
1. Denefrio/DiChiara (B) def. Campbell/Howell - 8-5.
2. Blanton/Stevens (R) def. Jacobs/Salam - 8-5.
3. Dietz/Kamrath (R) def. Menezes/Saperstein - 8-7.

March 11

Bucknell 0, Norfolk State 7

Singles
1. Daniel Prokes (Norfolk State) def. Nick Denefrio - 6-2, 6-2.
2. Viktor Dusek (N) def. Todd Jacobs - 1-6, 6-0, 6-3.
3. Milan Juncka (N) def. Asher Salam - 6-3, 4-6, 6-3.
4. Jakub Nowak (N) def. Joe Menezes - 6-1, 4-6, 6-3.
5. Peter Jakubek (N) def. Gerald DiChiara - 6-3, 7-5.
6. Stephen Charter (N) def. Aaron Saperstein - 6-4, 7-6 (4).

Doubles
1. Prokes/Novak (N) def. Denefrio/DiChiara - 8-4.
2. Sakawuyi/Juncka (N) def. Jacobs/Salam - 8-4.
3. Jakubek/Dusek (N) def. Menezes/Saperstein - 8-6.

March 12

Bucknell 7, Indiana-Purdue-Fort Wayne 0

Singles
1. Nick Denefrio (Bucknell) def. Jan Leonhardt - 6-2, 6-0.
2. Todd Jacobs (B) def. Michael Parker - 6-3, 6-2.
3. Asher Salam (B) def. Billy Ruxton - 6-3, 6-1.
4. Joe Menezes (B) def. Shaun Fisher - 6-2, 6-2.
5. Gerald DiChiara (B) def. Michael Chase Jr. - 3-6, 6-2, 10-3 TB.
6. Aaron Saperstein (B) def. Daniel Jackson - 6-1, 7-5.

Doubles
1. Denefrio/DiChiara (B) def. Parker/Jackson - 9-8 (3).
2. Jacobs/Salam (B) def. Fisher/Leonhardt - 8-6.
3. Ruxton/Chase (Indiana-Purdue) def. Menezes/Saperstein - 8-6.

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Men's Lacrosse
March 11
Bucknell 8, Maryland 14

Score by period	1	2	3	4	Tot
Bucknell	6	0	1	1	08
Maryland	6	1	2	5	14

March 19
Bucknell 16, Mt. St. Mary's 2

Score by period	1	2	3	4	Tot
Mount St. Mary's	0	1	1	2	04
Bucknell	4	5	5	2	16

Men's Basketball
Patriot League Tournament Semifinal
Bucknell 50, Holy Cross 75
Bucknell 14-15 (7-7)

	TOT-FG	3-PT	FT	REBOUNDS							
## Player Name	FG-FGA	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	OF	DE	TOT	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S
04 Lalugba, B.	7-13	0-0	7-9	2	2	4	2	21	2	6	3	1
25 Quinn, Matt	2-4	0-1	1-3	0	3	3	1	5	1	4	0	0
00 Skornik, D.	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	4	0	0	0	0	1
05 Blankenship, D.	3-7	1-2	0-0	0	0	0	4	7	3	0	0	1
12 Boutencourt, K.	2-7	2-7	4-4	0	2	2	3	10	1	3	0	0
01 Slater, B.	0-2	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
10 Webber, R.	0-2	0-1	0-0	1	1	2	0	0	2	1	0	0
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Women's Basketball
Patriot League Tournament Semifinal
Bucknell 63, Holy Cross 66
Bucknell 12-15 (7-7)

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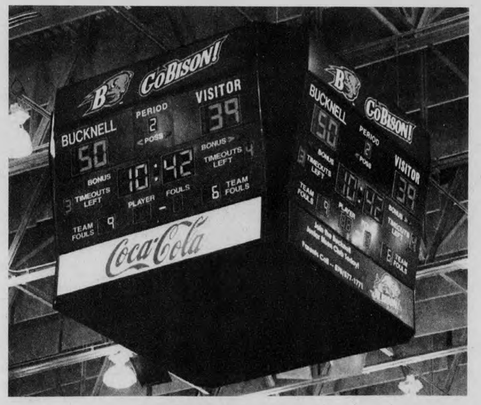

The Junge Watch

RED BARONS

Following Bucknell's major-league alumnus

Eric Junge '99 trained with the Philadelphia Phillies at their spring training camp in Clearwater, Fla. After pitching 8.1 innings with the Phillies' talent-rich staff, Junge was optioned to AAA Scranton-Wilkes Barre, where he will train with the Red Barons for the remainder of spring training and will open the season with the team.

Junge also spent most of the 2002 season with the Red Barons, compiling an impressive 12-6 record with a 3.54 ERA. At Scranton, Junge can add to his experience and make adjustments to his pitches. The extra time on the mound in Scranton will hopefully earn Junge a call-up from the Phillies later in the regular season.

The Red Barons open their regular season on April 3 against Ottawa.

—*Compiled by Cecily Cairns, Sports Editor*

2003 spring training statistics (with Phillies)

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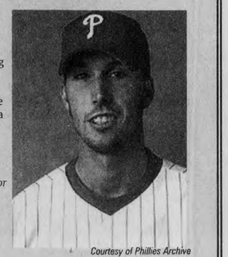

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BUCKNELL Calendar

Softball
vs. Siena
Sat., Mar. 22
and Sun., Mar. 23
2 p.m. and 12 p.m.

Women's Water Polo
vs. Michigan State
Fri., Mar. 21
8 p.m.
vs. Slippery Rock
Sat., Mar. 22

Baseball
vs. Bloomsburg
Sat., Mar. 22
12 p.m.
vs. Lock Haven
Sun., Mar. 23
12 p.m.

Men's and Women's
Track and Field
Retriever Invitational
at UMBC
Sat., Mar. 22
all day

Men's Tennis
at St. Bonaventure
Sat., Mar. 22
9 a.m.

Women's Tennis
at Pittsburgh
Sat., Mar. 22
11 a.m.

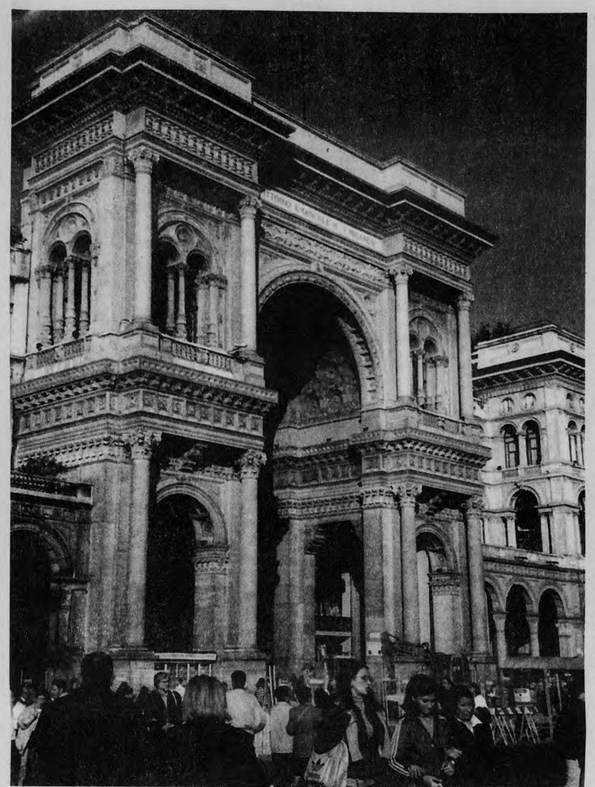
Women's Crew
vs. LaSalle
Sat., Mar. 22
8 a.m.

Women's Lacrosse
vs. Lafayette
Sat., Mar. 22
12 p.m.

Men's Lacrosse
vs. Holy Cross
Sat., Mar. 22
3:30 p.m.

FEATURES

Abroad perspective: semester in Milan, Italy



Courtesy of Elsbeth Fager

Elsbeth Fager '04 visits the Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II, home to lively shopping, bars and restaurants along the Duomo. Fager studied music in Milan, Italy with the Institute for the International Education of Students.

By Elsbeth Fager
Contributing Writer

Milan, once a capital of the Roman Empire, now serves as Italy's financial hub and cultural center. It presents residents and visitors with classic and modern Italian culture, fashion and commerce. From world-renowned shopping to a vast assortment of nightclubs and exquisite northern Italian cuisine, "la dolce vita" (the sweet life) is within reach. The city has elegant Gothic churches and some of Italy's finest galleries and museums. It was in Milan that Leonardo da Vinci painted "The Last Supper," and Giuseppe Verdi and Giacomo Puccini composed music that is still heard at the legendary La Scala Opera House. In Milan we never ran out of exciting things to see and experience.

I arrived at the Milan airport in late August, anxiously waiting for the semester with the Institute for the International Education of Students (IES) to begin. There were three other Bucknellians in the program. Monica Hoy '04, Carcline Myers '04 and I had come to Milan to study music, and Lindsay Renninger '04 was interested in the city life that Milan had to offer. Having friends from Bucknell there made the study abroad transition easier. When we arrived, the main view of the Duomo (the cathedral) was in scaffolding, but there was no doubt about the location of the heart of Milan. We spent many afternoons on the steps watching the Milanese go about daily life at the Piazza Duomo. I could never have imagined the variety and depth of culture I would come across every day during my tram rides and walks throughout this fashion capital and thriving metropolis.

Upon arriving at school, buses were waiting to take us away to "La Torrazzetta," an "agriturismo" (farmhouse used for retreats) to spend a weekend on a farm getting to know each other. Throughout orientation, our program included students from all over America and many other countries. The directors did a wonderful job helping us with the transition into Italian lifestyles and "modern-paced" city life in Milan. Many of us enrolled in L'Università Cattolica del Sacre Cuore, where we would be taking classes and eating meals in the cafeteria. Returning to Milan, we were very fortunate to be placed in a gorgeous three-bedroom apartment in a wonderful neighborhood. Our Italian roommate, Laura Ghidini, was a student at the Universita Cattolica and employed by IES as a resident assistant. She was very interested in American culture and enjoyed our stories about college life at Bucknell. She was a great friend and provided a nice opportunity for us to meet other Italians.

My first lesson in Italian came when we began our three weeks of intensive language preparation. I had picked up some necessary traveler's vocabulary the week before to go along with my background in Spanish, but I was far from prepared for life in the Italian city. Our professor entered this beginners Italian class determined to get us in shape for the Italian social scene. After a week of intensive language instruction, I became confident enough to begin speaking Italian. In my neighborhood café, I became the "studentessa americana" who came in every morning for a cappuccino. When we finished classes around noon every day, we would hurry to the café at L'Università Cattolica to secure our places in line for the usual panino. There is no such thing as a line in Italy; they don't believe in wasting space. Meal times promoted a competitive atmosphere in the café, but eventually everyone would be satisfied and move on to the bar for the daily shot of espresso. Being a mild coffee fanatic, this was my little drop of heaven. Starbucks doesn't even come close to the Italians' creation of the cappuccino.

The IES program kept my weeks busy studying Italian language, culture and music. To take a break from the demanding Italian grammar lessons, our classes often included sessions with cooking specialists, a tour of Leonardo da Vinci's "The Last Supper," an evening at a pizzeria or an outing to the Italian cinema. On the weekends, we frequently stayed in Milan to experience the nightlife that the city is known for. An evening among the Milanese begins with cocktail hour known as "aperitivo" followed by a stroll along the canal stopping to enjoy a jazz performance, opera or ballet, and then dancing until the sun comes up with the Milan chic in the craziest nightclubs in Europe.

As for other nightlife, unfortunately, the La Scala Opera House is being renovated until next year. We saw our first opera in Milan at the new Archimboldi Theater, modernly designed for the best acoustics. The change in venue worked well for the college students because the ticket prices were lowered to encourage attendance. We thought we would only be able to see one show at La Scala, but we were lucky enough to go frequently. We were thrilled to sit in the eighth row for the premiere of the ballet "Romeo and Juliet" and even the cheap student seats provided a spectacular view of "Lucrezia Borgia," "La Traviata" and "Rigoletto." The sophisticated Italians feel no need to wear their Versace evening gowns for this arena, but the atmosphere and performances are nonetheless first class.

Within a month, the program director, Dr. Roberto Andreoni, placed the music students in Milan's L'Accademia Internazionale della Musica. Monica, Caroline and I were given the opportunity to perform with the Academy's orchestra in several concerts across the city, including one at the extraordinary St. Ambrose Cathedral. We were the only Americans in the ensemble. This gave us an additional challenge and push to learn the Italian language. During the holiday season, our performance teacher managed to book our chamber ensemble a performance at a politician's cocktail party, and our final performance evaluation took place at Giuseppe Verdi's house for retired musicians (Casa Verdi). Dr. Andreoni gave us so many opportunities to experience music in Milan. I was fortunate to attend a master class given by renowned flutist Sir James Galway. As musicians, we were extremely lucky to have had such unique experiences.

When we weren't busy with life in the city, IES planned field trips to Cortina and Tuscany, which created a nice mixture between school trips and fun getaways with friends. In addition, I didn't have any problems convincing several friends studying in other European cities to spend a weekend in Milan. Milan's central location in Italy and its closeness to many wonderful cities is a convenient advantage for traveling. Florence and Venice were only three hours away, while Verona and Bologna were less then two hours away. All of these cities, although close, are very different in culture, language and politics.

Our second week in Italy included a field trip to Cortina, the glamorous ski village in the Dolomite Mountains. Taking a gondola ride up to the mountain refuge led us to freezing temperatures, but delicious European hot chocolate helped to revive us for the hike down. Arriving in September did not give us as much time to experience the warm weather of the beaches along the Mediterranean. With the last weekend in September approaching, we bought our train tickets to Levanto, a small town on the coast. Having pronounced it incorrectly at the ticket booth, the vendor almost sent us to France. I couldn't have asked for a better birthday weekend on the Italian Riviera. My friends and I enjoyed hiking from town to town and through the vineyards of the Cinque Terre, stopping to take a dip in the Mediterranean, tasting some local wine or sunbathing on the rocks.

We took advantage of the wonderful fall weather and spent a long October weekend in the hills of Tuscany. Wine tasting proved to be an enjoyable new hobby, and we sampled some of the finest wine in Montalcino. As part of the field trips, we were lucky to taste a wide range of Italian cuisine. On the way back to Milan, we traveled through Arezzo, where Roberto Benigni produced the remarkable film "Life is Beautiful" and arrived at a monastery outside Siena just in time to hear a Gregorian chant.

While touring Florence, I managed to trek up the terrifying stairwell to the top of Bruneleschi's dome, where apparently they frequently have ambulances waiting at the bottom of the stairs for the faint-hearted. Verona, famous for Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet," is also home to the Arena, now an open-air opera house, but originally built as a Coliseum in 200 A.D. Though it is a tourist trap and she never set foot on it, I couldn't help enjoying going up to Juliet's balcony. The ancient opera arena draws a full crowd every night of its season. We had the pleasure of attending George Bizet's "Carmen." The evening was perfect. The next night's performance, "Tosca", turned out to be slightly disastrous as we were sitting in puddles of rain 30 minutes into Giacomo Puccini's masterpiece.

Words cannot even remotely describe the magical feeling of being in Venice. I could have walked for days through the endless mazes, looking into the unique shops full of watercolors, Venetian glass and carnival masks. It was amazing to watch the incredible sunsets behind St. Mark's Basilica and the Doges' Palace. The water taxis and gondola rides provided a nice change from the trams and metro system in Milan.

Courtesy of Elsbeth Fager

Fager (right) and Stefania Rouselle, an Italian friend, take a break from holiday shopping along Via Vitton & Emmanuele and Piaza Duomo.

In November, a group of us escaped the rainy month in Milan to head five hours south to see the wonders of Rome. We were so taken by the beauty of Rome that on our first night there we lost track of time and missed the last subway. There's no complaining about a 1 a.m. stroll across the romantic streets of Rome, from the Trevi fountain to the youth hostel near the train station. For the rest of the time in Rome, we stayed with a family friend of Caroline's. It was fun to have an American mom cook us pancakes for breakfast and give us the insider's tourist guide to Rome. St. Peter's Square and the Sistine Chapel were magnificent sights to see in Vatican City. We had an incredible time walking among the ancient ruins and taking part in the infamous people-watching on the Spanish Steps.

My last trip in Italy was to Bologna, Modena and Parma, all within 24 hours. The cities are home to the oldest university, the Ferrari and parmagiano cheese, respectively. Our last stop was Parma and we arrived at 1 p.m.. Unfortunately, every shop in Italy is closed for the celebrated three-hour lunch period. At last, we discovered an open salumeria where we could buy vacuum-packed cheese to bring back to America. Realizing we would miss our train to Milan, the only thing to do was to relax and enjoy the short Italian lady singing away while she slowly packaged, wrapped and tied a bow on our precious parmagiano.

While many cultural aspects are different throughout Italy, soccer dominates the sports scene everywhere you go. There are two soccer teams in Milan, and I was curious about the fan base. The rivalry reminded me of the New York Yankees and the New York Mets, and it was beyond me as to why people rooted for each team. Finally, it was pointed out to me that it has nothing to do with geography—it is a tradition to root for the team your father cheers for. It was impossible to get tickets to Milan vs. Milan but we were lucky to get tickets when Rome came to town. I have been to all sorts of games and sporting events, but I have never seen fans as crazy as the ones at this soccer game. Controversial accusations abound that the Prime Minister, who is also the owner of the AC Milan team, "persuades" the referees to make more calls in Milan's favor. Judging by the havoc at the stadium after the game, the Romans did not find these accusations so outlandish and were not pleased with the loss.

As the weather gets colder, the Italians get a head start on the Christmas season. In the end of November, white lights and candles begin to adorn the city. The giant Christmas tree is placed in the 19th century shopping Galleria, and the ice skating rink is placed on the city's main piazza. With all of the decorations come the shopping festivities. The Milanese are very serious about their shopping, especially during the holidays. From Gucci and Versace to Fiorucci and Prada, the shopping streets are flooded with eager consumers during the holiday season. We didn't get the full experience of designer shopping in Milan due to some budget constraints, but we did take a trip to the designer outlets just north of the border in Switzerland. The town of Lugano had a wild cultural mix of Switzerland, Germany, France and Italy. Much to our disappointment, the outlets were just as worthless as they are back home. Even if it was only for a moment, at least we tried on Gucci shoes and placed the Prada bags on our arms.

Living in Milan and traveling throughout Italy has expanded my cultural views. In addition to learning about Italian culture, it was interesting to see my own country from a different perspective. As Americans, we felt very welcomed by the Italians we met at L'Università Cattolica. In our daily life, we found the Italians to be very friendly and willing to help while anxious to practice their English "hellos" and "goodbyes" with us. They were fascinated with American icons such as Bruce Springsteen, hamburgers and the president, and were eager to talk to us about the various subjects. Whether it was shopping in the Bennetons on every corner, finding our favorite gelato, strolling along the canal or performing at one of the historic churches, there was never a dull moment in Milan. I had an incredible experience living in Milan for the fall semester. I was surrounded by fascinating people, beautiful places and a whirlwind of culture. I am counting down the days until my return.

Courtesy of Elsbeth Fager

The Five Islands and Amale village are places Fager visited during her semester abroad in Milan, Italy.

FEATURES

Students promote Asian awareness

Week includes a wide array of activities, including Iron Chef competition and gala

By Sarah Gudenkauf
Senior Writer

Students for Asian Awareness at Bucknell's (SAAB) annual Asian gala on Saturday, March 1 in Larison Dining Hall completed Asian Awareness Week with a bang.

The gala ran from 6-9 p.m., and guests enjoyed many aspects of Asian cuisine, dance and featured traditional ceremonies.

Asian Awareness Week was Feb. 24 through March 1, and the gala on Saturday night was just one event in a week's worth of cultural festivities.

The main attractions included Monday's sushi making in the Terrace room, Tuesday's Iron Chef competition in the Bostwick Dining Hall, Wednesday's comedian Eliot Chang in the Bison, Thursday's Asian pillow making in the Craft Center and Friday's tea and dance demonstration in the LC Cave.

Kang Tchou '05, a member of SAAB's executive board, believes that cultural events are important to the University community.

"Events like Asian Awareness Week and the Asian gala provide multicultural activities on campus to help promote the diversity of the University community," Tchou said.

During the gala, members of SAAB demonstrated Korean, Chinese, Laos, Vietnamese and Tibetan marriage proposals and marriage ceremonies.

Patty Alex '05, president of SAAB, said the weddings fit in well with the Asian Awareness week theme, "Many Faces of Asia."

"Often times, people who are rarely or never exposed to another culture, or even not very familiar with it, are least likely to be able to see the ceremonies which make up an intrinsic part of that cultural tradition," Alex said. "By having a wedding ceremony, we could show both similarities and differences between cultures, traditions not present in Western customs, and also show the different dress of various countries."

Guests were entertained during dinner by three dances performed by Jason Kim '04, SAAB dancers and South Asian Student Association (SASA) dancers.

The cuisine represented a variety of different cultures—Japanese, Chinese, Indonesian, Korean and Vietnamese dishes were enjoyed from appetizers through the main course served buffet style to desert. Many different dishes were presented and everyone had the opportunity to sample each dish.

Meghann Peace '04 performed with other SASA dancers.

"I love dancing. I'd never before done Indian dances, so I wanted to learn. I enjoyed meeting and getting to know everyone in the dance. We had a wonderful time learning it together. The dance was choreographed by a fellow student, Priya Gupta '06," Peace said.

Brian Fence '03, a SAAB member and guest at the gala, found the event to be enjoyable.

"As usual, SAAB dazzled me with its great food and entertainment," Fence said.

Brook Sopelsa '03 also felt that the gala was worthwhile.

"The SAAB dinner was a wonderful cultural experience. The food was delicious, and it was complimented by great performances," Sopelsa said.

Asian Awareness Week and the final gala were not only enjoyable for students, faculty and staff who participated, but the week's events were equally enjoyable for those helping to put them together for the University community.

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Students get their food at SAAB's annual Asian Gala. This was the finale of many popular events held throughout the week of February 24 through March 1 this year.

"It was great to see members of SAAB coming together as a team. That group effort helped to bring something spectacular to campus; as a result, seeing guests enjoy themselves throughout the week was a truly rewarding experience," Tchou said.

Alex said that Asian Awareness week required a lot of hard work and planning by not only members of SAAB, but also their family, friends, SAAB alumni and other University organizations.

Preparations for the week begin months in advance, and the reservations are made a year prior.

Alex said the work was worthwhile because of the importance of the week for the University community.

"Cultural dinners are unique and special events and provide the opportunity for the hosting organization to share their cultures, backgrounds and experiences, while simultaneously allowing for the campus and Lewisburg communities to learn more about traditions and customs they may have limited access or exposure to," Alex said.

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

The South Asian Student Association (SASA) dancers perform a traditional dance to the delight of those that attended the dinner. In addition to three SASA dances, students and faculty who were at the dinner were able to view and learn from Korean, Chinese, Laos, Vietnamese and Tibetan marriage proposals and ceremonies.

To clone or not to clone

By Kyle Lange
Staff Writer

As the U.S. Senate debates a bill that would ban all cloning of humans or human embryos, it raises issues of the usefulness and morality of human cloning in any way, shape or form.

While most scientists and politicians would agree with a moratorium on human cloning, the most controversial aspect of the bill is the ban on cloning human embryos for research and therapeutic purposes. Human embryos are currently a valuable source of stem cells, which can serve many different purposes in the body.

The National Institute of Health (NIH) reports that stem cells are cells without a specific function that can divide and regenerate, eventually taking on a specific function in the body. One stem cell could, depending on which path it takes, differentiate into a group of heart cells, blood cells, bone cells, etc. This property makes stem cells potentially valuable for research.

Understanding the process of differentiation—what influences a stem cell to become a specific type of cell—is very important. According to the NIH, this research could lead to a better understanding of what causes cancer and birth defects, and eventually to more effective treatments.

Associate Professor of Biology Marie Pizzorno said stem cells could directly be used for therapeutic purposes.

"You could use stem cells to grow tissues in a lab, and replace diseased or dead tissue in someone's body," Pizzorno said. "It might even be possible to use them to create new organs for a person's body, since there is always a shortage of organ donors."

According to the NIH, stem cells "offer the possibility of a renewable source of replacement cells and tissues to treat diseases including Parkinson's and Alzheimer's diseases, spinal cord injury, stroke, burns, heart disease, diabetes, osteoarthritis and rheumatoid arthritis."

Embryonic stem cells are particularly valuable to scientists because of their availability and flexibility. While adult stem cells are difficult to obtain and can only differentiate into certain types of cells, embryonic stem cells are easily harvested and can differentiate into any cell type.

The embryonic stem cells currently used are those left over from in vitro fertilization and other reproductive techniques. While cloning human embryos is not currently possible, there are signs that this soon could change. The Journal of Regenerative Medicine reported that scientists working for Advanced Cell Technology succeeded in cloning a human embryo that progressed to the six-cell stage of division but no further. It took 71 eggs from seven volunteers just to produce one embryo of this kind.

While embryonic stem cells have much to offer in the way of tissue transplant and research, the morality of using and cloning embryos becomes an issue.

"The question is, 'Does this embryo have rights?'" Associate Professor of Biology John Tonzetich said. "Embryonic stem cells are harvested before day 10, long before the nervous system is formed on day 14."

MacArthur Chair of Judaic Studies Rivka Ulmer said there are religious objections to embryonic cloning.

"In most Jewish circles, embryonic cloning would not be allowed," Ulmer said. "That would be interfering with the divine process of creation."

Beyond embryonic cloning, there is the issue of human cloning. This has garnered much attention in recent months due to the Raelian cult group which claims to have cloned humans. Most scientists are skeptical of these claims, as no human embryos have been cloned beyond the six-cell stage.

Yet if the technology were developed to clone humans, would this ever serve any useful purpose? Tonzetich sees a place for human cloning in the future.

"In this country, where we have the notion of reproductive rights, for women who could reproduce in no other way, cloning might be an option," Tonzetich said.

But would human cloning be healthy? Dolly, the world's first cloned sheep recently died at the age of 6, compared to the normal sheep lifespan of 10 years. BioMedNet reported that a recent experiment in Japan showed cloned mice to have a much shorter lifespan than naturally born mice.

Health problems in cloned animals arise from the cloning of adult DNA. DNA gets damaged during its lifetime. When it is cloned and injected into an embryo, it does not act as embryonic DNA. It still carries the wear and tear of many years of replication. This can affect the strength of the immune system or cause the body to malfunction.

Cloning humans or human embryos for any useful purpose seems to be beyond our current technology and many oppose the idea on moral grounds.

The University's biology department is not currently involved in research on human cloning, nor is it likely to be in the future.

"I seriously doubt that Bucknell University would ever do any research on human cloning," Tonzetich said.

Lysistrata Project shows lessons of the past

By Alyson Walker
Features Editor

The ancient Greek playwright Aristophanes' "The Lysistrata" was first performed in 411 B.C.E. The political comedy had a recent revival at the University and around the world.

It was performed at the University on March 3 in conjunction with Lysistrata Project, which consisted of 1,059 readings of "The Lysistrata" in 59 countries and all 50 U.S. states.

The Lysistrata Project organized the worldwide readings as a way to spread the peaceful message of the work and protest war. Aristophanes originally wrote "The Lysistrata" to promote peace in Athens during the Peloponnesian War.

"It was compelling to me to see the play being used in 2003 for the same purpose it had been used 2415 years ago, to provoke discussion and reflection on issues of war, peace and human relations," Associate Professor of Classics Janet Jones said.

Instead of using tragedy to relay his message, Aristophanes used comedy to make his political statement, according to Jones.

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"Comedy was social commentary through the lampooning of specific notable citizens and with reference to specific current events. 'The Lysistrata' expressed the urgent desire for peace that most felt by this point in the war, but through compromise, not by putting Athens into any real risk of losing," Jones said.

Students, faculty, staff and community members formed a cast of 23 and had only one two-hour rehearsal prior to the performance. According to Jones, Associate Professor of Theatre and Dance Robert Gainer organized the group during this rehearsal and helped them transform a dry reading of the play into a hysterical and lively performance.

The play begins with Lysistrata, played by Liisa Britt '04, an Athenian woman who has called a meeting of women from the different states of Greece. She has a plan to end the war—to deny men sex until they sign peace treaties. This plan would require all women to remain celibate.

Lysistrata also organizes a female takeover of the Acropolis, preventing the men from accessing the war money.

The comedic element was largely based on the sexual innuendo throughout the play and the acting of the performers. In a dialogue between Lysistrata and Cleonice, played by Ibby Cizmar '03, Lysistrata states that she fears for their sex. The response from Cleonice was, "So do I, it's been ages."

The play's comedy did not overshadow its message. The ending showed the men compromising and using diplomacy instead of war to achieve peace.

Emily Thede '04 enjoyed both the comedic aspects and the underlying message.

"The Lysistrata Project was wildly entertaining with its satirical political impressions and exaggerated portrayal of human sexual desire. Through humor it reveals many underlying issues," Thede said. "It recognizes the power that women can exert when they unite forces and it reveals how men can become entangled in war and lose sight of their true cause. Although it was written thousands of years ago, it addresses issues that resonate with the current world situation."

Barry DeSain '04 played the role of a Spartan civilian in "The Lysistrata." He felt that the Lysistrata Project was apropos to the current world situation, which was evident from the number of productions worldwide.

"The way that the number of performances grew so quickly reflected how people around the world are looking for some way to protest this war," DeSain said.

Jones said that the ensemble enjoyed working together on the production and that it was a rewarding experience for them.

"Everyone had a blast on many different levels—the fun of working hard to put something meaningful together brought everyone close together, the classics students were struck by the relevancy of the play that a mere reading in a class at any random time would never have captured, and many of us were led by a desire for real and meaningful reflection about what we are about to embark upon as a nation," Jones said.

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The Nominees	Melinda's Picks
Best Actor Adrien Brody Nicolas Cage Michael Caine Daniel Day-Lewis Jack Nicholson	**Best Actor** Though Jack Nicholson is due for a statue after a six-year hiatus, I'm going to have to go with a pick from left field: Daniel Day-Lewis
Best Picture "Chicago" "Gangs of New York" "The Hours" "The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers" "The Pianist"	**Best Picture** I would like to see "The Pianist" to win. Unfortunately, I think the glamour and glitz of "Chicago" will take home this Oscar.
Best Actress Salma Hayek Nicole Kidman Diane Lane Julianne Moore Renée Zellweger	**Best Actress** "Far from Heaven" could win Julianne Moore an Oscar, but "Chicago" star Renée Zellweger might steal the glory.

The Oscars will be presented at 8:30 p.m. this Sunday on ABC.

Courtesy of Reuters

Julianne Moore (left) and Salma Hayek arrive at the Academy Award nominee luncheon. Moore is nominated as best actress for her role in "Far From Heaven" and for her role as best supporting actress in "The Hours" and Hayek is a nominee as best actress for her role in "Frida."

Trip to Washington, D.C., relieves blues

Melinda Kummer—*The Bucknellian*

Tourists relax as they look across the Washington, D.C., mall at the Washington Monument. ACE will be sponsoring a trip to D.C. on March 29 during the National Cherry Blossom Festival.

By Melinda Kummer
Arts & Entertainment Editor

Are you suffering from homework headache, sniffling bouts, or cabin fever? If these symptoms seem familiar then perhaps some fresh spring air in Washington, D.C. could cure your midterm blues. With an Activities and Campus Events (ACE) sponsored bus trip Saturday, March 29, relief could be yours sooner than you thought.

The bus trip, timed perfectly in the middle of the National Cherry Blossom Festival, offers inexpensive transportation to the nation's capital. After reserving your bus ticket at the Campus Activities & Programs (CAP) Center (LC 306), you could easily check out the festival calendar at the festival Web site, www.nationalcherryblossomfestival.org.

The festival, which starts tomorrow and lasts until April 7, incorporates multicultural events and traditional events such as the annual parade. The largest spectator-drawing event in D.C., the National Cherry Blossom Parade will march down Constitution Ave. at 9:30 a.m. on March 29.

Other weekends include many highlights as well. The wind of spring promises to be perfect for the 37th Annual Smithsonian Kite Festival from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on March 22, located on the National Mall between Fourth and Seventh Streets. For a taste of Japanese culture, the Sakura Matsuri provides entertainment as the largest Japanese street festival in the United States. The event will occur on April 5 and will be located on 12th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue.

Diehard blossom enthusiasts might want to wait until after the festival to venture for a peek at the beautiful trees since the National Park Service is predicting the blossoms will not peak until the week of April 8-14.

Those not attracted to D.C. for its natural beauty might be interested in the several museums located within a quick walk of metro stations. The National Museum of American History (located at 14th Street and Constitution Avenue) is showing a special collection documenting the Sept. 11 attacks. The National Gallery of Art and its Sculpture Garden, located on the National Mall between Third and Ninth streets at Constitution Avenue now boasts sculpture galleries. Pieces by Auguste Rodin and Edgar Degas act as centerpieces to the collection. The Ernst Kirchner exhibit would also prove to be well worth a visitor's while.

Other museum information can be found at www.si.edu and the best part of visiting these museums is the price—free!

If relaxation is your only goal, the green lawn of the mall invites the weary to rest while taking in the beauty of the capital. Riding the festive merry-go-round beside the Hirshhorn's sculpture garden, eating a picnic by the Washington Monument or playing ultimate Frisbee by the Reflecting Pool can all prove therapeutic to students tired of the school routine.

Convenient location and plenty of low-priced activities, a trip to Washington could be the key to remedying even the most severe cases of can't-wait-for-summer colds.

Cap and Dagger revived

By Kristi Johnston
Senior Writer

Though its name is rarely heard around campus, Cap and Dagger is one of the University's oldest student organizations. Within the past few years, organization members have tried to revive the club. Now under new leadership, Cap and Dagger is making and effort to renew its recognition on campus.

"We've started planning and seeking interest for a number of new activities," Vice President Hollie Barattolo '04 said. "There seems to be more drive from all of the officers and members to make next year the year for Cap and Dagger. We'd like to get more involved both on campus and in the community."

Cap and Dagger will be sponsoring an open-stage night on April 17, for which anyone can display a talent.

Barattolo is looking forward to the open-stage night showcase performance.

"Anyone who wants to sing, act, tell jokes or prance about is more than welcome to come on out," Barattolo said.

The following night, Kim Klauder '05 will be presenting a cabaret show, co-sponsored by the club.

"Cap and Dagger is trying to incorporate more musical theater into its program," Klauder said. "Music is part of theater, too, which is why [the club] is sponsoring my show."

Klauder's performance will be her fifth cabaret, an hour-long one-woman show. The cabaret is entitled "Stressed Out" and will include both modern music and musical theater. Tickets for the performance are free to the public.

Cap and Dagger's new leadership includes President Kristen Habacht '05, Barattolo, Secretary Ashi Day '04, Treasurer Rachel Slotcavage '04 and Music Chair Klauder. The club's adviser is Associate Professor of Theater Robert Gainer.

Local string quartet gives Classical concert

By Julianna Pietak
Senior Writer

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The Central Pennsylvania String Quartet gave a touching performance the night of Tuesday, March 4. The recital was given in the Natalie Davis Rooke Recital Hall.

Each of the pieces presented that night highlighted the unique sound of woodwinds, which is rounder and richer than many ensembles. The group was made up of Cristal Janderchick on flute, Jill Marchione on oboe, French horn player Jane E'del, Carol Scott on bassoon, music department faculty member Ella Forsyth on clarinet and accompanist Galen Deibler on piano.

Most of the compositions were written during the 19th century, or the Romantic period. The first of these pieces was "Passacaille for Wind Quartet," by the relatively unfamiliar composer Adrien Barthe. This short piece began the evening with a warm and lyrical sound.

Gordon Jacob's "Sextet," made up of five unique and contrasting movements, followed "Passacaille." The first, "Elegiac Prelude," alternated between sections highlighting the winds and the piano, with an almost brooding sound throughout. Perhaps this tone was due to Jacob's intentions for the piece—as a tribute and memorial. According to the program notes collected by Forsyth, "The sextet was written in memory of Aubrey Brain, the great horn player and father of the equally distinguished Dennis Brain. Very shortly after its first performance by the Dennis Brain Ensemble, Dennis Brain was killed in a motor accident. The work can therefore be regarded as a double tribute to the memory of father and son." This is perhaps the reason for the overlying dark mood that the piece reflected.

"Sextet" then moved to the quicker and more dramatic movement, "Scherzo." This title refers to a dance, so its quicker feel was appropriate. It still retained the dark mood characteristic of the prior movement. Several instruments were highlighted in the next movement, "Cortege," including a beginning solo in the clarinet. While different instruments soloed above, the bass remained the same in a repeating ostinato line. "Minuet and Trio," a fugue-like movement came next, leading to the last movement of the piece, "Rondo with Epilogue." This finished "Sextet" as it had begun, with the melodramatic sense of dark melancholy that all the movements had had.

A more renowned composer's work than those previously performed was featured next on the program. Beethoven's Quintet in E-flat Major, Op. 16 consisted of three movements, "Grave-Allegro ma non troppo," "Andante cantabile" and "Rondo-Allegro, ma non troppo." All three were classical in sound. Beethoven modeled this quintet after a similar one written by Mozart, and even highlighted the music of Mozart's "Don Giovanni" within the piece. As Mozart composed wholly within the Classical Era, this is apparent in the classical sound of "Quintet." The piece was also much longer than anything else performed that night.

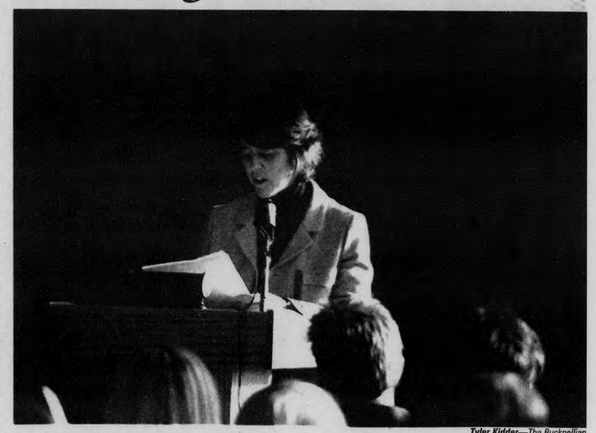
The first movement featured a short reccurring theme or motive. It also included a repetition of half, or deceptive, cadences, tricking the listener into a false ending. The second movement was sweeter and more lyrical than the first. This section also highlighted the French horn in a rich solo. The third and final movement had an obvious dance feel, although large sections were played in minor, making it feel heavier than the previous two sections.

The evening ended with a perky performance of Ludwig Thuille's Sextet in B-flat Major, Op. 6. This piece had an almost comical melody that was tripping and seemed full of character.

All six local performers gave a short but pleasant show, exemplifying the variety of composers and styles with their unique ensemble.

Multigenre reading is a double-header

By Melinda Kummer
Arts & Entertainment Editor



Tyler Kidder—*The Bucknellian*

Well-known essayist and short story writer Susan Rogers reads at Bucknell Hall on March 4. The reading from Rogers and Marilyn Mumford, presidential professor of English emeritus was sponsored by the Office of LGBT Aswareness and the Stader Center for Poetry.

Mermen and college life in the 1950s met at the multigenre readings held before spring break. Marilyn Mumford and Susan Fox Rogers read at the afternoon reading on March 4, which focused on Mumford's vivid writings about a mother and dying child. The evening reading at Bucknell Hall paired Pit Menousek Pinegar '63 with Tom Rogers, who is Susan Rogers' father.

Mumford, presidential professor of English emeritus, and Susan Rogers, a well-known essayist and short story writer, drew a full house. A most intriguing piece, Mumford read of a mother's reaction to her baby whose legs were fused so he looked like a mermaid. A sad and yet warm piece, the descriptions of the "little merman" touched the audience as the theme focused on longing for a soul.

Along with students, several professors attended the mulitgenre event.

"I thought Professor Mumford's fiction reading was especially interesting. I loved the story she read. Not only was it well-crafted and quite moving, but it also displayed the uncommon ability to represent working-class characters in a way that was sympathetic and insightful, instead of romanticized or condescending," Associate Professor of English Saundra Morris said.

Mumford and Susan Rogers' readings were sponsored by the Office of LGBT Awareness and the Stadler Center for Poetry.

The evening readings featured Pinegar, an author of two books of poetry and a teacher at the Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts, and Tom Rogers, professor of English emeritus of Penn State University and author of four novels. Pinegar's intense and beautiful poetry juxtaposed Tom Rogers' comic reading of his new novel "Jerry Engels."

Tom Rogers has several connections at the University.

"Tom is a former professor of mine, a former neighbor and a friend. He's a wonderful writer and very funny," said Alan Janesch, associate director of communications.

The excerpt from "Jerry Engels" described what life was like for college men in the 1950s. Ironically enough, little has changed in the party and relationship scene and students only found the '50s vernacular to enhance the comedy of the story.

"I really found it to be amusing. This is the kind of novel every college student should read because we can all relate to the main characters on so many different levels," Tammana Hye '04 said.

In an Associated Press State & Local Wire on July 2, 2002, Tom Rogers explained that he had difficulty finding someone willing to publish his book.

"There's been a real change in tastes and strategies in the publishing world," the 75-year-old man said. "Young writers, they'll take a chance on. But a writer my age, they want something that they're sure is going to work commercially. A novel set in State College, Pa., in some fraternity world in 1951-52 ... What are we going to do with something like this?"

With the help of his daughter, Susan, Tom Rogers contacted Xlibris, a high-tech vanity publisher, to print the novel. Xlibris now offers books that can be made to order because they are printed with a form of laser printing.

The evening reading was sponsored by the Department of Music, the Association for the Arts and the Stadler Center for Poetry.

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Three students arrested for alleged assault of student

Students taken into custody in front of class

By Michelle Dombeck
Managing Editor

Three University students were arrested on Tuesday for allegedly assaulting another University student last Friday. Two of these students were taken out from a class and arrested in plain view of their peers.

Dennis Geraghty '03, Eric Storm '03 and Luis Davila '03 were arrested and charged with aggravated assault, simple assault, recklessly endangering another person and criminal conspiracy to commit these offenses, according to the Lewisburg Borough Police Department.

The victim was assaulted at around 2:30 a.m. on St. George Street after a prior confrontation with the suspects on South 7th Street, police said. The victim also received medical attention at Evangelical Hospital and was later released.

Storm and Davila were in their Humanities 450 class when two armed police officers and a public safety officer knocked on the classroom door around 1:15 p.m. on Tuesday. After asking the instructor of the class, Assistant Professor of Comparative Humanities John Hunter, two confirmed that Storm and Davila were present in class, the officers asked to see the students in private.

After the students talked briefly in the hall with the police officers,

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Fifty new parking spots added for student use

By Jennifer Jenchura
Senior Writer

Bucknell Student Government (BSG) has negotiated 50 new student parking spaces available in the uphill farm lot following immediately after spring break. The new spaces are not a permanent solution since the new spots will be terminated once construction on Dana Engineering begins at the end of the semester.

> *"BSG decided to pursue the issue because parking was one of the biggest student concerns last semester."*
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> *—**Marissa Schmidt** '05, BSG student affairs committee chair*

Student parking in the farm lot should be available until May, but Director of Procurement Services and Chair of the University Parking Committee Don Krech offers alternative suggestions to the parking problems.

"The old farm lot solution is, unfortunately, only temporary. As soon as construction begins we will lose those spaces. At this date, it looks like construction may not begin until May. The upper stadium lot continues to remain underutilized. It might help to publicize that the lot is there," Krech said. "One other aspect of the redesignation of lots is that the Smith Hall/ROTC lot will soon (estimated time mid-April) become entirely students-only. A new lot is being constructed next to the Recreation and Athletic Center for staff and visitors, freeing up the entire current row of parking, currently reserved for staff."

BSG became aware of how much students disliked the campus parking sit-

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Fraternities and Sororities participate in Greek Week

Eric Graham and *John Conley*-*The Bucknellian*

Members of Fraternities and Sororities participated in Greek Week events this week, including Fear Factor on Monday and the Greek God and Goddess event on Tuesday. Greek Week will end the week with House Party on Friday and Saturday.

Zeta Phi Beta joins Greek community

By Jason Oster
Staff Writer

The University's already large Greek community has just added a new sorority. Zeta Phi Beta has become the eighth and youngest sorority on this campus. Joining seven already well-established sororities at the University, Zeta Phi Beta seeks to make a name for itself on campus.

Coming to the University just after Tau Kappa Epsilon's return after a three-year hiatus, Zeta Phi Beta hopes for an easy transition. While Tau Kappa Epsilon has succeeded after facing an uphill battle in competing with fraternities that have been around for decades, the newest addition to the University's sorority life faces some hurdles.

Jakita Price '04 is the current president and one of four student founders of the University chapter. Price, along with Nicole Thompson '04, Jasmine James '04 and Alisha Lang '03, started the reactivation process a year ago when they expressed an interest in starting a new sorority at Bucknell.

"After researching all of our options, we decided that Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc. would be most beneficial to the University and its future participants," Price said.

> *"Anyone can join a Greek organization, but when you are the creators, you have a special bond that can never be broken."*
>
> *—**Jakita Price** '04*

The four Bucknell students were not alone in starting the chapter. The Harrisburg graduate chapter of Zeta Phi Beta, Nu Sigma Zeta, was involved in the activation of the University chapter.

In addition former Pennsylvania director of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc. Yolanda Goodwin and Shauna Irwin, the University director of sorority affairs, aided the process. The brothers of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity have also been influential to the students involved in Zeta Phi Beta.

"Jasmine, Alisha, Nicole and I

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Alumni run across United States

Sehon '00 and Bronfenbrenner '00 will run more than 3,200 miles to chase a dream

By Evan Honeyfield
Staff Writer

Most throw away youthful desires and dreams upon graduation to climb the corporate ladder and "get ahead in life." Occasionally a midlife crisis brings the dreams flooding back, putting pressure to follow the yearning or to stay with the safety of a job and family. But, who would quit a solid job at the age of 25, just two and a half years out of college, for an adventure most would consider insane? And what would drive anyone to leave the safety of health insurance and a serious girlfriend? Meet Dave Bronfenbrenner and Scott Sehon, both University graduates of the Class of 2000.

Bronfenbrenner and Sehon quit their jobs in February to run across the United States. This five-month adventure grew from a vision planted by a three-week road trip across the United States after their first year at the University.

Courtesy of runtheusa.com

Scott Sehon '00 and Dave Bronfenbrenner '00 examine an atlas as they begin their journey at the New Jersey shore. Sehon and Bronfenbrenner embarked on a cross-country run this month to achieve a lifelong dream.

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Café to open on first floor of library in April

By Jennifer Jenchura
Senior Writer

A new café facility will open in April on the first floor of the Bertrand Library as a replacement for the Bison Express food trailer that used to be located on the east side of the academic quad next to the library. The facility will be stationed between the circulation and technology desks. Drinks and prepackaged food items will be available for sale and there will be café seating in the back section of the first floor of the library.

The menu will feature drinks similar to other campus dining venues, and Dining Services will be interested in feedback regarding the menu options.

"Some items will be similar to 7th Street Café in the way of hot drinks; however, the rest of the menu will be different from other locations. Baked goods, salads, sandwiches, etc. will be varied and different from most other locations. We will also be looking for suggestions from the customers to make improvements as we go along. It will not be offering grilled or fried items on the menu, however," General Manager of Dining Services Tim Tenon said.

> *"I think having an indoor station is much more useful for students already studying in the library, and it will also be better during colder weather months."*
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> *—**Katy Timer** '04, president of Bucknell Student Government*

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Midtown

Midtown performs at Uptown

The New Jersey band Midtown performed its first concert at the University last weekend to a full house at Uptown.

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House Party

House Party weekend?

University tradition or orgiastic display of ritual inauthenticity? Josh Fisher discusses *his* interpretation of House Party.

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Women's Water Polo

Women's water polo team dominates Bucknell Invitational

The women's water polo team swept the tournament, winning all four of its games.

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Public Safety Log

Tuesday, March 18

VEHICLE ACCIDENT—Public Safety responded to Stadium Road for the report of a vehicle stuck in the grass. The vehicle operator was attempting to turn a bus around when the rear of the vehicle left the pavement. A tow service pulled the vehicle free. There was minor property damage.

Wednesday, March 19

DISORDERLY CONDUCT—Public Safety responded to Carey House for the report of a domestic disturbance in progress. On arrival, Public Safety observed a male and female who were arguing. Both were identified as students and the situation was resolved. The male was cited for disorderly conduct.

Thursday, March 20

INFORMATION—An employee reported to Public Safety that she observed a male visitor on campus who she feels may be stalking her. She said that she did not want any action taken at this time. Public Safety advised that she should contact Public Safety if the male was seen on campus again.

PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS—Public Safety responded to the Rooke Science Complex for the report of an intoxicated employee. Union County Probation Office was notified, and probation officers and a Public Safety officer transported the individual to Union County jail for parole violation.

Friday, March 21

INFORMATION/VEHICLE DAMAGE—Public Safety responded to the Gateway Lot for the report of a student's vehicle that was damaged while parked there. No witnesses or suspects were located.

ASSAULT—A student who was walking on S. 7th Street was pursued and assaulted by three other students. The students sustained serious injuries including a broken nose and face lacerations. Public Safety assisted Lewisburg Police Department to investigate the incident. Three students were later arrested on campus.

INFORMATION/POSSIBLE VANDALISM—Public Safety responded to the Biology Building for the report of possible vandalism in the Greenhouse. Two switches to override the thermostat were found turned on for unknown reason and plants were destroyed due to the heat.

OPEN CONTAINER—While on routine patrol, an employee observed a male carrying an open container of beer on Fraternity Road. He discarded the beer to the ground when confronted. Public Safety responded and identified the individual as a student. He was cited for an open container violation.

Saturday, March 22

DISORDERLY CONDUCT/ALCOHOL VIOLATION—Public Safety responded to South 7th and St. George streets for the report of a student who was assaulted. Lewisburg Police Department responded. Public Safety assisted Lewisburg Police Department in locating another student who admitted to pushing the male who advised that he did not want to file an assault charge. A citation for underage consumption was issued.

ACT 64/DRUG VIOLATION—Public Safety reported three suspicious individuals outside of Swartz Hall. An investigation determined that one female student was in possession of a beer bong. The individual was cited for illegal drug paraphernalia.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that an unknown person(s) removed four composites from Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity. Items are valued at $1,000 each. The incident is under investigation.

VANDALISM—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) broke out a window in a door on the southwest side of Vedder Hall. The incident is under investigation.

Sunday, March 23

DISORDERLY CONDUCT/UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—A student reported to Public Safety that there was a male lying on the ground between Leiser and Hulley Houses. After a foot pursuit from the side of Hulley House, the male was apprehended by Public Safety near the railroad tracks. After further investigation, the male was found to be a student, under the age of 21, who admitted to consuming alcohol. He was cited for disorderly conduct, underage consumption and failure to comply.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—Public Safety responded to Bucknell West Mods to assist Lewisburg Police Department with an intoxicated student who was under the age of 21 and admitted to consuming alcohol. Citation was issued for underage consumption.

ASSIST POLICE—Public Safety responded to Moore Avenue to assist Lewisburg Police Department with a traffic stop of a vehicle with four individuals riding on the exterior of the car. The individuals fled and the operator was cited for disorderly conduct. A University driving citation was also issued.

ASSIST POLICE—Public Safety responded to Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity to assist Lewisburg Police Department in locating a student who was wanted for questioning reference an incident that occurred earlier. The individual was not present at the time of the check.

INFORMATION—Public Safety responded to Dana Engineering Building for the report of a chemical spill. After investigation, it was determined that the spill came from a leaking valve. The safety manager responded to remove the chemical and clean the area.

VANDALISM—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) damaged the hood of her vehicle while it was parked in the 23 University Avenue. parking lot. The incident is under investigation.

INFORMATION—Public Safety responded to Vedder Hall for the report of a broken computer that appeared to have been thrown from a window. The computer appeared to be a personal unit with no identification on it.

Construction of engineering building to begin in spring

Courtesy of Bucknellian Archives

Construction of a new engineering building will begin late this spring and will be built on the grass lot next to the staff parking lot located behind the west wing of the Dana Engineering Building.

By Jeff Day
Staff Writer

Major changes will once again be seen on campus as the construction of a new engineering building will begin in late spring. According to James Orbison, dean of the College of Engineering, this plan has been under consideration for three years, and will soon be implemented now that the final design was completed last month.

"The design of the building is complete and the project is in the final stages of securing bid pricing," Associate Vice President for Facilities of Physical Plant Dennis Hawley said.

The new building will be located behind the west wing of Dana, on the grass lot next to the staff parking lot and nudging up against that lot. The minimum distance between the new building and the Phi Psi Fraternity house will be a little over 100 feet.

According to Orbison, the engineering programs have been housed in Dana for almost 75 years, but over the past 20 years, there have been many fundamental changes in the degree programs and how courses are conducted.

"These projects require project and group collaboration space beyond anything needed before. Classrooms are at a premium ... and the college is very short on faculty and staff offices and student activity spaces," Orbison said.

The construction of this new engineering building has received a great deal of attention due to its impact on Fraternity Road.

According to Orbison, the impact should be relatively minor. The road in front of Phi Psi will become a dead end just west of the house's driveway, but there will still be a connection to allow for through traffic.

The University faculty and staff parking lot between Lambda Chi and Phi Psi fraternities will be reconfigured for two-way traffic on the side nearest Lambda Chi, and traffic on Fraternity Road will run through there and behind Phi Psi to Seventh Street.

"None of the fraternity houses will be lost to the project, or will access to or parking for them be affected."
***—James Orbison,** dean of engineering*

"None of the fraternity houses will be lost to the project, or will access to or parking for them be affected," Orbison said.

New traffic patterns will indeed be created and utilized, and will undoubtedly take some time for students to become acquainted with.

"Although there will be a need to get used to the new traffic patterns ... all of these changes work because of the careful long-term planning accomplished by the entire campus, including students," Hawley said.

"We continue to look at the new emerging traffic patterns as well as those already established, in a unified and consistent way that allows us to thoughtfully grow into our Campus Development Plan," Director of Construction and Design James Hostetler said.

According to Hostetler, one major downfall of Dana is that it is not easily adaptable to evolving uses. The structural systems make removing some interior walls difficult and expensive. With the construction of a new building, its design will have an outside shell built for a 75-plus year life cycle with interior walls that are more easily modified as teaching styles and technology continue to evolve.

"The new building has been designed deliberately to permit extensive space reallocation within it well into the future. Utilities, including a reasonable heating, ventilating and air-conditioning system, have also been designed to support interior changes without great cost," Orbison said.

According to Orbison, the total construction cost of the project, which includes "soft costs" (architectural and engineering design fees, permit fees, etc.) is expected to be under $8 million.

All of the funds for the building construction have come from donors, and University Relations staff continues to fundraise in order to close in on the goal.

From commencement this spring to completion, construction is expected to take 14 months.

"I believe when this facility comes online, it will be a beautiful and highly functional asset, taking its rightful place in our campus tapestry," Hostetler said.

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they came back in, collected their belongings and followed the police officers outside of the building, according to Hunter.

Once outside, the students were arrested. Classmate John Nuzum '03 said that, through the window, he was able to see "them walking in handcuffs."

Hunter said that he "hoped the police had cause," but that the event was "needlessly public and humiliating."

The three suspects were arraigned before Justice Leo S. Armbruster of Lewisburg Pa. They posted $10,000 bail and were released.

Police said that a preliminary hearing was scheduled for April 10 at 2 p.m., but declined to comment further on the arrest, incident, or current whereabouts of the students.

Zeta Phi Beta becomes eighth recognized University sorority

President Jakita Price '04 said members feel sense of accomplishment after the sorority's 20 year hiatus from the University

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all had an equal influence in this journey. All of the proposals and presentations to Bucknell administrators and advisers in the Zeta Phi Beta Inc organization were collaborative works. I can speak for all of us when I say that having Zeta Phi Beta recognized after a 20-plus year hiatus from Bucknell gives us a sense of accomplishment," said Price. "Anyone can join a Greek organization, but when you are the creators, you have a special bond that can never be broken; a part of you is with that chapter and everyone will remember you for that."

"COGL, CCA, and the Panhellenic Council have all been in support of a new sorority. I believe that people on campus are aware that there is another option of Greek Life for women who are interested in joining a sorority."
***—Jakita Price** '04*

There are officially no members of the upstart sorority besides the four founders because the Membership Intake Process (MIP) has not ended yet, so it has not produced any members of the sorority. There is still time for it to attract new members.

The founding members are confident they will find sorority sisters, especially due to the response Zeta Phi Beta has received from other organizations and Greek chapters on campus.

"COGL [Council on Greek Life], CCA [Campus and Complimentary Activities] and the Panhellenic Council have all been in support of a new sorority. I believe that people on campus are aware that there is another option of Greek Life for women who are interested in joining a sorority. Once the chapter has established its members this semester, Zeta Phi Beta will play an influential role in Greek Affairs," Price said.

Zeta Phi Beta Inc. has been a well-established and recognized sorority nationwide since 1920. It was founded at Howard University in Washington, D.C., and has continued to grow.

According to its national Web site, "Zeta Phi Beta Sorority was founded on the simple belief that sorority elitism and socializing should not overshadow the real mission for progressive organizations—to address societal mores, ills, prejudices, poverty and health concerns of the day."

The University's newest sorority has also chronicled a number of firsts. Zeta Phi Beta was the first Greek-letter organization to charter a chapter in Africa, form adult and youth auxiliary groups, centralize its operations in a national headquarters and be constitutionally bound to a fraternity, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.

Since the sorority's inception, Zeta Phi Beta has chartered hundreds of chapters not just bound to the United States and initiated thousands of women. Now Bucknell women can join in this tradition.

Jakita Price has plans to see the Bucknell chapter grow. She said, "if I am selected to take part in the Membership Intake Process (MIP) and complete the MIP, I plan on doing a lot of public relations work with not only the Greek organizations but all organizations on campus.

In addition, by working with Lewisburg and surrounding communities, the University would ultimately open more lines of communication and strengthen ties that could make for a welcoming environment."

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority was founded on the simple belief that sorority elitism and socializing should not overshadow the real mission for progressive organizations—to address societal mores, ills, prejudices, poverty and health concerns of the day.
—Zeta Phi Beta Web Site

Zeta Phi Beta now joins Alpha Chi Omega, Chi Omega, Delta Delta Delta, Delta Gamma, Kappa Alpha Theta, Kappa Kappa Gamma, and Pi Beta Phi as the recognized sororities on campus. It is already an integral part to the Greek community and its presence on campus will only get bigger.

News

World Briefs

Compiled by Elisabeth Salemme
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Iraq says 14 civilians killed in attack

BAGHDAD, Iraq—Two cruise missiles struck a residential area in Baghdad on Wednesday, killing 14 people in the worst reported instance of civilian deaths since the U.S. bombing campaign began a week ago, Iraqi defense officials said. U.S. Central Command said it was checking into the report. A spokesman noted that coalition forces take "extraordinary" measures to protect civilians.

Turkey hints it may not enter Iraq

DIYARBAKIR—Turkey's military chief hinted on Wednesday that Ankara might yet hold back on plans to send troops into northern Iraq, which Washington fears could undermine its war operations there.

China SARS cases linked to others

BEIJING—The World Health Organization said on Wednesday for the first time said it has linked a pneumonia-like outbreak in China to a mysterious respiratory illness that has spread to other countries on three continents. The global death toll from the combined outbreaks climbed to more than 50.

Supreme Court hears sodomy case

WASHINGTON—The Supreme Court should reverse course and strike down a ban on homosexual sex as outdated, discriminatory and harmful, a lawyer for two men arrested in their bedroom argued Wednesday. The court appeared deeply divided over a Texas law that makes it a crime for gay couples to engage in sex acts that are legal for heterosexual couples. The court was widely criticized for a ruling 17 years ago that upheld a similar sodomy ban.

Air Force shakes up academy

WASHINGTON—The top two leaders at the Air Force Academy are not responsible for the sexual assault scandal at the school, but they should be held accountable for the culture that allowed the problem to continue, Air Force Secretary James Roche said Wednesday.

Power seen manipulated in California

WASHINGTON—Federal energy regulators said Wednesday that their investigation found widespread manipulation of natural gas and electricity prices and supplies in California.

Anti-terror coalition holds despite Iraq rifts

WASHINGTON—High-level political rhetoric from traditional U.S. allies condemning the war in Iraq hasn't shaken the strong cooperative bonds forged among law enforcement and intelligence agencies in the global hunt to root out and destroy terrorist organizations, according to those involved in anti-terrorism efforts.

U.S. ready to impose martial law

AN NASIRIYAH, Iraq—American lawyers and legal officials in military uniform, toting weighty law books and ready to establish martial law, are traveling with U.S. and British troops surging into Iraq. The legal experts are hoping that the Iraqi justice system won't fall apart in the event of a coalition victory, and will be able to maintain order once the shooting stops.

U.S. not ready for botulinum attack

WASHINGTON—Easy to find and easy to produce, botulinum toxin is the most poisonous natural substance on Earth. In the hands of a bioterrorist, a single gram—the weight of a paper clip—could kill more than 1 million people. Federal officials fear the nation is both vulnerable to such an attack and ill-prepared should one occur.

New smallpox vaccine warnings

WASHINGTON—Health officials are recommending that people with heart disease not get vaccinated against smallpox as authorities investigate a possible link between the vaccine and heart problems.

Dolphins go to front lines in Iraq war

The U.S. military says it has flown trained dolphins to a key southern Iraqi port in a deadly serious effort to sweep for mines. It is the highest-profile assignment yet for a military marine mammal program that goes back to before the first Gulf War.

First food relief arrives in Iraq

UMM QASR, Iraq—The first sizable relief convoys rolled into Iraq Wednesday as a physicians group began a dangerous trip over the western desert to get medicine to Baghdad. In Basra, the country's second-largest city and the scene of heavy recent fighting, Red Cross workers managed to get the water supply partly working again as they strove to avert a crisis for up to 2 million people trapped in the city.

Missing Michigan teen found after three weeks

SACRAMENTO, Calif., March 25—The three-week search for a convicted murderer and a missing 14-year-old ended 2,000 miles from the girl's home when someone recognized the man's truck.

Cowan master plan proposed for extended student, faculty usage

By Meghan Fox
Staff Writer

Eight miles west of here lies a 41-acre property covered in undisturbed forest and bordered by two rivers. A lodge, a caretaker's residence and a pavilion are the only existing structures on this University-owned land, commonly referred to as Cowan. A master plan was recently revealed to provide a larger projected use for students, faculty, staff and alumni, while maintaining the natural, remote and rustic atmosphere.

The grounds, formally known as the Forrest D. Brown Conference Center, are rented out to various student and faculty groups on campus for retreats and recreational purposes. Residential Colleges, athletic teams, sororities, fraternities and religious organizations are only some of the groups that rent these facilities.

According to Director of Reservation Information and Conference Services Judy Mickanis, the original charter dedicated this place to the "cultural, social and religious development of Bucknell students."

The University purchased the land in 1936. The lodge was constructed in 1956 and was enlarged-

Courtesy of Jim Hostetler

A master renovation plan is in the works for Cowan, the 41-acre property owned by the University. Different parts of the property will be used for various programs including the Buck Wild orientation program. The new plans ininclude new buildings, new picnic areas and ropes course.

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ment in 1968. Aside from the Picnic Pavilion erected in the 1970s, the facilities have undergone only minor updates.

The master plan for Cowan includes the renovation of the pre-existing lodge and caretaker's residence with the addition of many other structures.

"I've been here 16 years and this is probably the most exciting project," Director of Construction and Design Jim Hostetler said.

"We didn't just want to look at what we've got there now and focus on improving that," Hostetler said. "But we wanted to look at what really would benefit Bucknell. You've got an opportunity in this 41 acres to bring together students, faculty, staff and even alumni in certain ways."

Throughout the entire process, student and faculty input has been valued. The design team, Spillman Farmer Architects and Derck & Edson Associates, carried out a needs assessment project, which involved a number of student- and faculty-based organizations. The University also requested the opinions of the general student body by placing comment sheets in the Langone Center, where students could express their views and concerns.

"We talked about what we really liked about it and what we wanted to preserve," Hostetler said.

University Chaplain Ian Oliver said that overall, students were pleased with the grounds, but the bunkrooms and kitchen were in need of renovation.

The Steering Committee in charge of this project found that students liked the rustic, natural atmosphere of Cowan.

As stated in the executive summary of the plan, "The master plan for the conference center is one characterized by balance. The lodge will be updated and enlarged, but in a way that preserves the charm and desired rustic qualities. The site will be used for multiple activities, but these will be organized so that separation is maintained between groups, and the feeling of a retreat continues."

The master plan also emphasizes an environmentally sensitive approach.

Hostetler mentioned that the construction of new facilities would attempt to preserve the natural environment in the best way possible, without taking down very many trees in the process.

Even the structures would be ecologically sound. The architectural plans foresee six cabins to be built on stilts and the mini-lodge to be built around the existing trees, causing a low environmental impact.

The master plan also maps out the possibility of creating a ropes course, with high and low ropes, more picnic facilities, tent platforms and the construction of a Creek Room to overlook the flowing water.

Pathways throughout the wooded areas are also outlined in the master plan for Cowan.

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The ropes course would provide a location for team-building skills and the tent platforms would secure a solid foundation for students set up their tents and tarps.

In order to preserve the sense of remoteness valued in the plan, each new facility would be located at opposite ends of the grounds so that multiple groups may enjoy the property at the same time without the awareness of other groups.

These new facilities would maximize the use of Cowan without taking away from the feeling of an isolated retreat, Hostetler said.

The plan also aims to maintain the outdoors atmosphere inside the buildings, possibly by replacing the outdated furniture with chairs resembling tree limbs. There is the possibility of creating glass walls, as well, to present a more open view of the environment outside.

Although the master plan was published in November 2002, construction of these facilities will not begin until adequate funding has been received.

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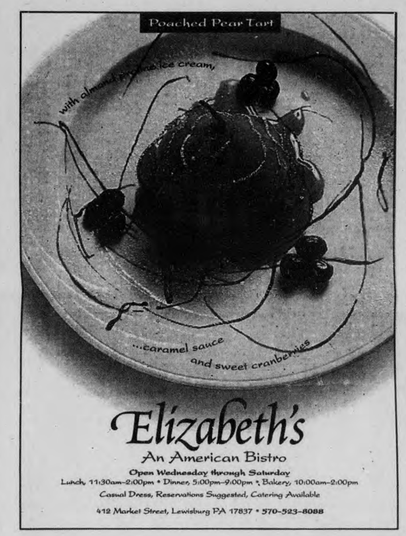

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New spaces allotted for student use

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uation during the fall of last semester and then took steps to work with the University Parking Committee to give students an opportunity to voice concerns and try to work toward a solution.

"BSG decided to pursue the issue because parking was one of the biggest student concerns last semester. Early in the year we held 'Make Bucknell Better Week' in hopes of getting feedback from students about what they wanted to see changed on campus. The Student Affairs Committee then based our projects for the year on the feedback from that week," BSG Student Affairs Committee Chair Marissa Schmidt '05 said. "The shortage of parking on campus was the biggest complaint. We knew from our own trouble with parking that the farm lot went greatly unused, so we put together a project to prove to the parking committee that those empty spots should be converted."

Next BSG took steps to make a convincing case to the administration by photographing the farm lot showing empty the spaces at various times of the day.

"Dozens of spaces in the farm lot parking were not being used by the faculty. Students who parked there were getting ticketed. So, in order to get our point across, we decided to take photos of the lot at various times throughout the day to illustrate how empty it usually was," Schmidt said. "The numerous photos would make our case really strong for getting the point across and show that it was an issue we really cared about since we put the effort in before."

BSG Vice President of Operations Jack Phillips '04 began the student investigation immediately.

"After the idea of documenting the empty parking spaces in the farm lot came up, I decided to get a jumpstart on the project. I started the next day by taking pictures of the empty parking spaces in the farm lot," Phillips said. "I would walk to the library in between classes where I would check out a digital camera for 20 minutes at a time. I did this two or three times a day for about a week. I started work on a PowerPoint presentation to show all the pictures that I had taken. I then handed the project off to Marissa and her committee."

BSG realized that there were always empty parking spaces in the farm lot, but the spaces were not available student use. BSG then presented its research to the committee.

"We took pictures for several days in a row at the same time, three times a day, and then compiled those pictures and turned them into a PowerPoint. It was a pretty convincing argument. There were always essentially 50 spots open, and if there were cars in that half of the lot, they either belonged to students or were unmarked," Schmidt said.

After the investigation Phillips contacted Krech. To the frustration of BSG, the parking committee was already aware of the problem.

"It was disappointing to learn that the parking committee knew about that problem and were planning on using those spaces for construction vehicles once Dana construction began tentatively at spring break," BSG President Katy Timer said. "Since that has not begun yet, the parking committee agreed with us that students ought to be able to use those spots, so all 50 were changed into student parking. However, they will become faculty parking spots again once construction begins because the [construction] vehicles will be parking in other faculty spots that are currently being used in the farm lot. But, we're hoping once construction for Dana is over, they will be reconverted to student parking again."

Once Phillips contacted Krech, the committee quickly took action and was readily agreed with BSG's recommendations.

"Jack sent me an e-mail saying that it seems as if there are always empty spots in the old farm lot. He asked if we could designate them to students, knowing that the Dana project could start at anytime. I sent e-mails to the committee. Every member agreed that Jack's proposal made sense. So we arranged to have the extra spots designated for students," Krech said. "The comforting part is Jack didn't have to send us proposal, fill out any forms, meet with scores of people (until he found the right one) or even make his case in person. He made a simple, logical request. We agreed and quickly took action."

The committee often receives complaints centered around the University parking system.

"One of the biggest complaints we receive is that we have an extremely confusing parking system and way too many signs. So we have tried to designate, wherever possible, entire lots for strictly student or strictly faculty/staff parking. It would enable everyone to easily discern if they could park in a lot. It would also make it easier for Public Safety to enforce the regulations," Krech said. "We began that project last spring. Consequently, we were able to designate the new farm lot as strictly for students. We realized that the old farm lot would have extra spaces, but we were basing our plan on the anticipated start date of the Dana extension; the start date was late winter '03. That obviously didn't happen."

Although BSG has made great strides in finding student parking spots for the upperclassmen eligible to have cars on campus, they warn that it is only a quick fix. Once the Dana expansion is started, the faculty will need those spots, as construction will displace much of their parking spaces.

"The solution is not permanent, as the spots will revert to faculty parking when the Dana expansion construction begins. However, the construction will most likely not begin for another five to seven weeks, so students should be able to make use of the new spots through the end of the semester. Don Krech greatly facilitated the transition of the parking spaces to student parking spaces. He deserves great thanks," Phillips said.

With the effort that went into the changes, the University administration is aware of the strong student concerns with the parking issue.

"I'm actually quite proud that we were given the spots. It seems like a small, insignificant battle, but we wanted to accomplish tangible things for Bucknell students, and we wanted to make sure we addressed things that were of primary concern on campus," Schmidt said.

After the 50 new farm lot spots are eliminated, BSG is ready to work hard to gain more student parking in the future.

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Class of '05 sweet on SVWIT

Photo courtesy of John

During the week of Valentine's Day, the class of 2005 sold "Sweets for SVWIT" to support the Susquehanna Valley Women in Transition. After hours of selling and assembling of candy bag creations, the class had raised $100 for the cause. Class officers presented members of the organization with a check.

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News

Café to open in Bertrand Library

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Resources [ISR] mentioned café plans in its strategic plan, and the University Library Committee endorsed the concept and recommended that the facility be placed in the library's main section rather than in the 24-hour access computer lab.

"We will place eight tables with chairs in the rear of the first floor for people to use as café seating. In the best of all worlds, people who use these facilities will clean up after themselves, and hopefully we can expect others to apply a little peer pressure to help remind folks. The Dining Services folks who operate the café will also help to keep the café seating clean," Associate Vice President for ISR Gene Spencer '76 said.

In addition to various locations within the library, other uphill locations were considered as potential uphill eating spots, including Swartz Hall.

"Because space is an issue, we originally were going to put a mobile kitchen outside the library on the Swartz Hall side. Because of appearance concerns, we knew from the beginning that ideally a permanent location inside a busy building would be best," Tenon said. "In talking with various people on campus, the library was looked at as an option. We looked at a few different locations in the library; however, because of issues like construction costs, disruption, accessibility, utilities, we decided on the area next to the tech desk. My hope is that we can start at least limited operations by around April 15 or so. It could be later that week, but that is the goal right now."

The new café is a permanent solution to the idea of an uphill eatery.

"I'm really excited about the recent progress with the uphill eatery as a permanent solution in the library. I think having an indoors station is much more useful for students already studying in the library, and it would also be better during colder weather months," Bucknell Student Government (BSG) President Katy Timer '04 said.

The main difference between the outside trailer eatery and the library café is location.

"Would a trailer on the edge of the academic quad really fit into the beauty of this campus?" Spencer said. "I'd rather have the facility within the library where it can add to the comfort of using our services and also keep the quad pristine."

BSG has been working for some time with Student Activities and Dining Services on a proposal for a new uphill facility where people could more conveniently purchase food and drink.

"Most notably, this project sponsored the trailer that sat along the east side of the library last spring. As the uphill eatery project moved forward and the library café project emerged within our strategic plan, the simple conclusion was to solve both needs with a single facility located within the library sooner rather than later. An uphill eatery has always been a BSG project, and last year the Bison Express was a great step forward as this food trailer parked outside the library was very popular with students walking to class and studying to grab something to eat without walking downhill," Timer said. "Based on that success, Dining Services actually ordered a bigger truck but that has not been able to be connected to the proper utilities this year. While that has been a frustrating issue for BSG, the recent construction with the permanent uphill eatery is great."

The library does not expect to change any of the food and drink policies due to the new café, but all drinks sold will be in containers with closed lids.

"[The library] already relaxed food and drink guidelines more than a decade ago. We simply ask that drinks are covered and that food is limited to less messy items. You'll be able to take your food and drinks just about anywhere in the library. But, you'll also be expected to clean up after yourselves. The custodians who maintain the building so well are very busy and don't need additional messes throughout the building," Spencer said.

Before spring break, the area in the library was cleared to install the facility and a local vendor delivered a prototype café front for review.

"We quickly learned a lot from the community about what was and wasn't appropriate there, and we're currently working with the vendor to create something that more closely fits the library atmosphere. We are delighted with the plans that have emerged," Spencer said. "Over the course of the next few weeks, the café front will be delivered and the necessary utilities will be installed. We cleared the area in which the café service counter is to be installed."

The exact hours of operation are still in discussion, but the café will be open during periods of high usage.

"The hours of operation are also under consideration. Dining Services will staff the facility and expect it to be self-sustaining. Thus its hours of operation will be limited to times of expected high use," Spencer said.

Dining Services and ISR worked together to collaborate on the ideas.

"The folks from Dining Services and ISR all see how the success of the café depends on each other. Collaboration is easy once we define what we each need to be successful. From ISR's standpoint, we need to make sure that the food and drinks offered don't create unnecessary noise, fumes and messes," Spencer said.

For the past five years, ISR has discussed the possibility of adding a café to the library. Many academic libraries nationwide have installed such a facility for a variety of reasons.

"The University's library serves as a place to store and use a wealth of information resources. More importantly, it also serves as a wonderful place where people come to explore, learn, work together, meet with our expert staff and engage in a variety of intellectual pursuits," Spencer said. "We believe that the café will add to the comfortable and welcoming atmosphere that currently exists in the library. The more people want to use the building, the more valuable it is to the community."

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Hilltop Film Series: "Wedding in Galilee" Vaughan Lit. Auditorium 4:30 & 8 p.m.	**Women's Lacrosse vs. Holy Cross** Bucknell West Fields Noon	**Interdenominational Worship Service** Rooke Chapel 11 a.m.	**Zen Meditation** Rooke Meditation Chapel 4 p.m.	**Men's Tennis vs. Lehigh** Tennis Courts 3 p.m.	**Education Talk: Kati Haycock** Walls Board Room (LC 213) 9 a.m.	**Third World Film Series: "Pixote"** Coleman 151 4 & 7 p.m.
Shabbat Service and Dinner Berelson Center 5:30 p.m.	*Agnes Denes* Samek Art Gallery Projects for Public Spaces Through April 6	**Episcopal Eucharist Service** Rooke Meditation Chapel Noon	**Yoga** McDonnell Hall 242 4:45 p.m.	**Light the Night Walk** McDonnell Hall Outside Steps 6 p.m.	*Internships 101* Every Tuesday (Noon) and Wednesday (3:30 p.m.) CDC	**Dance Studio Concert** Tustin Theatre 5 p.m.
Shuttles: Walmart & Susquehanna Valley Mall 6 p.m.	**Shuttles: Walmart & Susquehanna Valley Mall** 3 & 6 p.m.	**Faculty Recital: The Easterly Chamber Players** Weis Music Building Recital Hall 2:30 p.m.	**"Leadership in a Diverse Workplace"** Center Room (LC 256) 6 p.m.	**B.O.F. Reunion** Terrace Room 7:30 p.m.	**Men's Lacrosse vs. Villanova** Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium 7 p.m.	**Poetry Reading: Lesléa Newman** Walls Board Room (LC 213) 7 p.m.
Choreographer's Showcase Tustin Theatre 8 p.m.	**Men's Lacrosse vs. Hobart** Bucknell West Fields 3:30 p.m.	**Anime Society Viewing** Gallery Theatre 3:45 p.m.	*BRIDGE 101* Offered daily CDC Noon	Photographs from the Permanent Collection Samek Art Gallery Through April 13	**Lecture: Eric Liu** LC 252 7 p.m.	**Lecture: Devra Davis** Gallery Theatre 7:30 p.m.
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Karaoke Night Uptown 9 p.m.	**Senior Recital: Dan Sitomer (clarinet)** Weis Music Building Recital Hall 4:30 p.m.	**Fiction Reading:** *Barbara Neely* Bucknell Hall 8 p.m.	**Exiled German Writers & Filmmakers in the U.S.** Gallery Theatre 7 p.m.	**Turkish Coffee Night** Taylor Hall Lounge 8 p.m.		**"the well"** Larison Dining Hall 8:30 p.m.
"BarberShop" LC Forum 10:30 p.m.	**"8 Mile"** Vaughan Lit. Auditorium 10:30 p.m.	**Sunday Night Prayer** LC 302 9 p.m.	**Yoga** Walls Board Room (LC 213) 8 p.m.			
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The Bucknellian Editorial

Library café caters to student needs

Thanks to the persistent efforts of the members of Bucknell Student Government, the "Bison Express" has been reincarnated as a café that will open in the library later this semester.

During the spring 2002 semester, the "Bison Express" food stand was conveniently located outside on the east side of the library, enabling students to quickly purchase anything from coffee and bagels to soda and hot dogs on their way to classes uphill.

After nearly a year of petitioning to get this service back, student pleas have been answered with the announcement of the new library café.

But doesn't the necessity of entering another building in order to purchase a quick snack before class defeat the whole purpose of "express?"

The new café undoubtedly will be a welcomed addition to the library. Previously, students needed to have cash on them if they were thirsty in the middle of a late-night studying session, or if they had a craving for the instant coffee available in the 24-hour lab.

Now students supposedly will be able to purchase 7th Street Café-quality beverages and snacks.

Still, anyone who has ever been to a café knows that the McDonald's drive-thru "breakfast in a minute" promise does not apply. It will be great not to have to make sure all the powder is dissolved before you drink your hot chocolate, but this is only assuming you haven't spilled it while sprinting into class late after standing in line for 15 minutes at the café.

During peak student hours—throughout the morning and through the lunch hour—the café should alleviate excessive waiting by limiting its menu to strictly prepackaged items and simple beverages.

Once the hustle of the class day is over, drinks and food that require more time-consuming preparation would be appropriate.

Making sure the café is adequately staffed is also imperative in making sure that it operates efficiently. One worker will likely not be able to handle the rush that ensues for a cup of coffee 10 minutes before each morning class begins.

The café also must be cautious that it does not affect the atmosphere of the library. Quiet talk around the café is certainly expected, but a shrieking cappuccino machine, a spinning blender and a constantly-beeping microwave will be nothing short of distracting for students trying to work on the main level of the library or for the Information Services and Resources workers who will have to endure the sounds all day.

Increasing the availability of food and drinks in the library may also result in spills that damage library materials. If this becomes a frequent occurence, a "food only" space may need to be necessary to ensure that use of necessary library materials is not limited by equipment damages.

As long as the planners of the new café keep in mind the initial mission of the "Bison Express"—to provide students with quick snacks and beverages because a trip to the Langone Center was inconvenient—and the importance of maintaining the atmosphere of the library, the café should be able to effectively serve both students on the go and students enjoying a study break.

Catalyst editorial decisions questioned

By Aaron Hanlon
Staff Writer

We're all young people, relatively unprofessional in the literal sense of the word. We've never been on salary with *The New York Times* or Business Week. But we're generally smart; we're thoughtful; we just want to put our ideas out there. Oh, and sometimes we're careless.

It takes a lot of work to produce a student publication, and a lot of thought to create an effective one. Among the most difficult parts of this process can be, problematically, to use our best discretion at all times in spite of all the slick one-liners and witty ripostes we use daily to shut our friends up or get a rise out of our parents. I've been on editorial boards that have made both good and bad decisions in this regard. True to experience, sometimes it's just too hard to hold back. I'm giving The Catalyst the benefit of the doubt and assuming that its collaborators actually faced a dilemma and considered the possibility of some of its content being counterproductive to its message, but decided to print it anyway. Because I always appreciate everyone's critiques of my writing and publications (broad smile), I would never sell The Catalyst short of its own due process.

"Blowjobs for Bush" is a catchy title and might make for an interesting satire except for one minor technicality: The course of U.S. foreign policy history has suggested quite the opposite of Courtney Spohn-Larkins' premise that our Commander-in-Chief might be less likely to wage war in Iraq were he able to mix it up a little in the bedroom ... or ... Oval Office. Ironically, ill-advised oral intercourse (it's not sex, remember?) has in fact led directly to war with Iraq in the past. In 1998, America faced a similar standoff with Iraq and the Hussein regime's unwillingness to cooperate with U.N. weapons inspectors. When then U.S. President Bill Clinton (the same president mentioned in Spohn-Larkins' article who supposedly "did not seek the disarmament of Iraq") finally decided to part ways with the United Nations and begin an almost-unilateral effort to bomb Iraq back to the Stone Age (naturally, Britain was on our side), more bombs were dropped over a period of three days than were dropped during the entire Gulf War.

When outspoken critics questioned Clinton's motives for leading a—how do they say it—"pre-emptive war" against Iraq, a modestly popular explanation was that Clinton was pushing for war as a politically strategic move to distract the world (and maybe his wife, too) from his embarrassing sex scandals. As history suggests, the U.S. military actually tends to see more action when our president ... sees more action.

Spohn-Larkins said, "If it came down to the choice between a white man who has indiscrete sex or a white man who would rather kill everyone he disagrees with, give me the man who would rather stick his penis than his military in others' faces!" In light of new information, if it came down to a man who has "indiscrete" sex and attempts to cover it up by bombing the sand out of Iraq versus a man who has gone through great lengths to give the world asexual reasons for war, whom would you chose?

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In addition to the tiny oversight of the thrashing of Iraq in 1998 under Clinton (who arguably could have given former U.S. President John F. Kennedy a run for his money as the leading Democrat when it came to extracurricular activities), a much-needed and appreciated attempt to bring feminism more into the mainstream of University discourse was slightly tainted by Laura Kamienski's dogmatic assessment of feminist thought. Tearing down the existing patriarchal barriers is going to require males, conservatives, pro-lifers and even Christians! It's going to require moral assessment in addition to "practical reasoning. Just like every other civil rights cause, it's going to require coalitions and bridges over ideological gaps. If feminism had to be defined as Kamienski defines it in her article, she might be the only true feminist on the face of the planet. Why? Because she has given her own "personal" definition of feminism in the same fashion as do those who she criticizes, and chances are the rest of us have our own different definitions. If there is to be a loose definition of feminism, as is called for in Kamienski's article, shouldn't it be one that doesn't alienate such a substantial portion of women as might her definition?

I genuinely applaud The Catalyst for bringing more feminist perspectives to the fore. Though everyone should have a forum for his or her views, regardless of how moderate or extreme, Kamienski's article seems to be in effect detrimental to the goal of separating stigma from feminism.

And, at last, the Grand Finale: A picture on the back cover of The Catalyst that explicitly refers to the Fox News Channel as "The Official News Channel of The Homeland"—in German, alluding blatantly to the Nazi regime. Written on the picture: "Ein Volk" (one people). "Ein Reich" (one empire). "Ein Fuhrer" (one leader). "Ein News Channel" (self-explanatory).

This attempt to compare the most widely viewed cable news channel in the country to an agent of Hitler and the Nazis is tasteless and counterproductive. Granted, it's just a propaganda poster. But there are millions of families throughout the world who have members who were brutally killed by the Nazis. I would venture to say that most don't take the atrocities committed by the Nazis as lightly as they might a conservative-leaning news channel—the only conservative-leaning news channel among a multitude of news media—with which they might not always agree. In fact, it's about time we stop underhandedly associating conservatism with Nazism altogether. There is no factual basis for such an association; it's just not funny to even jokingly draw a connection between a mainstream party in a legitimate two-party system and the murderous, jingoistic Nazis. Newsflash: Genocide isn't funny. Even CNN will tell you that. Indeed, if holocaust denial advertisements are tasteless and inappropriate, an advertisement that likens America's most popular news channel to an agent of genocide is disturbing to say the least.

Modifying some or all of these things might help The Catalyst reach out to more people who do care strongly about the issues that it raises. I mean, other than that, it was pretty good, I guess.

Bush's education access plan reduces opportunity

By Gerald Funderburg
Writer

As I sit here and ponder the topic of affirmative action, the question of what is so controversial about this topic pops into my head. Why now in our country is the current administration trying to get rid of this policy, or in his words, modify what was put in place to better those who were for centuries battered by a physical, psychological and civil abuse. Civil Rights activist like W.E.B. Dubois, Marcus Garvey, Malcolm X and Martin Luther King Jr. would have struggled for nothing if we take seriousthe words of our president seriously. The topic of affirmative action and its future in this country will either set us back four decades or continue to improve the functioning of this country.

U.S. President George W. Bush, when running for office in 2000, relayed the message to the American people that education would be his main concern if he was elected. This was evident for the past two years with Bush allocating money to many educational programs. But now the true light is being seen. Yes, Bush stated that he would improve education, but he did not state for whom this improvement would be made. Ralph Neas of "People For the American Way," plainly said, "This decision indicates that President Bush's commitment to his right-wing political base outweighs his professed commitment to educational opportunity."

Bush's decision to back the white students at the University of Michigan clearly positions him on the side of those who see little wrong with returning to an educated elite that is predominantly white, and male. It's important to remember that affirmative action has assisted women more than minorities. So if affirmative action is abolished by the Supreme Court, it will not only push public schools towards the norm of private schools, which are white-dominated, but it will transform our country back to the "patriarchal times of Moses."

Since its founding well before 1776, this country's goods and services primarily benefited European peoples. Following this history, all the way up to the civil rights movement, an affirmative action policy called racism was in place for white people. This type of affirmative action disenfranchised anyone of color and women. When this was happening many white people did not have a problem with it. Now, a quarter of a century has passed since the decision on the University of California v. Bakke affirmative action case and now it (the Bush administration) wants to get rid of it. We (minorities and women) finally have obtained a piece of the American pie—"a land of opportunity"—and we have to give it back as if we did not earn it. Minorities and women are beginning to enjoy some of the prosperity that was enjoyed by white males in this country for centuries.

So what is so wrong about affirmative action now? Bush said that it is unconstitutional to use color as the only factor for admissions to a college or university. I agree with that. But universities and colleges do not do that. Jeffrey Lehman, dean of the University of Michigan Law School and Cornell University's president-elect said, "We regularly admit white applicants who have lower grades and test scores than some minority applicants whom we reject. Sometimes a white candidate would have a stronger file than a minority candidate in an area other than grades and test scores, in areas such as public service and leadership and under our policy that could make the difference between who gets in and who does not regardless of the candidate's race."

You can see schools that have historically been white-populated have long considered the issue of diversity. This is the only way that we will become diverse. Looking at grades solely would be detrimental to the increasing diversity of the workforce. Business like 3M, Fourti, Boeing and Steele Case recognize the fact that if affirmative action is abolished, the diversity in higher education will decrease, and this will decrease the diversity in the work force. These firms also understand that they need qualified minorities as employees in order to reach that section of the American population when they seek consumers and clients. When the black population alone is responsible for $3 billion, companies obviously want a portion of that.

Bush's Affirmative Access Plan states that the top 10 percent of a graduating class gets automatic admissions to a university or college. The aim of the Affirmative Access Plan is to increase minority participation without relying on racial or other supposedly suspect criteria. According to one interpretation of Bush's plan, as indicated by Michael C. Dorf, "Affirmative access thus seems to hold out promise as a colorblind alternative to affirmative action—one that will achieve the same end, while employing less controversial means" (http://writ.new.findlaw.com/dorf/20010101.html). Is this the case? This plan derives itself from the 1996, of Hopwood v. Texas case. This case ruled that the Bakke case had no precedent. The court barred the University of Texas Law School, all public universities in Texas and the other states that comprise the Fifth Circuit, from giving any preference to racial minorities in admissions. With this ruling, other states like California and Florida are doing the same. But does this plan really work, or does it have major faults?

First, the plan will distort college admissions priorities. This 10 percent rule will not allow schools like Cornell and the University of Michigan to consider those applicants who they deem to be the best qualified or most deserving students. By only looking at grades, you can not take sufficient consideration of the difficulty of courses, admission essays, standardized test scores, extracurricular activities, obstacles overcome and the overall competitiveness of the school from which particular applicants come. Clearly, you cannot factor in race, ethnicity, gender or class.

Furthermore, what about the "Legacy Clause." Bush, who was a C student in high school, was admitted to Yale University, a prestigious, competitive Ivy League school, based on the fact that his grandfather and father attended Yale. What do you call this?

The second problem is that the Affirmative Access Plan depends on segregation. For an example, if you admitted the "top 10 percent of Texas high school graduates, this would mean that you were admitting a substantial number of African-American and Hispanic students—but this is an artifact of de facto segregation" (Dorf, Find Law's Legal commentary). Since there is a gap between the test scores and grades of white and minority students, integration would threaten the 10 percent plan: At least in the short run, as more schools become integrated, more minority students are going to fall out of the affirmative access criteria of the top 10 percent.

Minority parents will have to make a decision on if they want their kids to attend majority white schools with better qualified teachers and resources to increase their scores or stay in a school where they are guaranteed to be in the top 10 percent. This Affirmative Access Plan is only going to increase the gap between minority test scores and whites, the test scores of middle-class students.

Abolishing affirmative action will have far greater negative impact on this cou ntry that is immediately apparent. That is the problem now. Bush and his Cabinet are not extending their vision beyond the immediate. They are not addressing the confounding or lurking variables of their affirmative access plan. Their plan will not improve education opportunity. Their plan will not increase work force diversity. Finally, their plan will knock America back into a social configuration that is likely to seem a lot like the post-Civil War failed Reconstruction period like the post-Civil War, failed Reconstruction period.

Opinions

"Coalition" needs expanding to rebuild Iraq

By Mike Niebauer
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As this article is being written the "blitzkrieg" or "shock and awe" bombing of Baghdad is underway by the U.S. military. Whatever your preference of adjectives to describe this military operation or your opinion of it, the United States has alienated millions of people to reach this point. Our country will need those same millions to win the peace. The countries that we have lending support to this cause do not include most of the major nations of the world.

In a lame effort to obfuscate the facts, White House spokesman Ari Fleisher claimed that the entire population, and not just the governments, of the 30-40 countries in our coalition support the Iraqi war. In reality, the United States and Britain essentially are the "the coalition of the willing." Fleisher said, "Over 1 billion people from these countries support our war plans." That is some real creative geography combined with selectively skewed demographics on his part. The economic giants of Romania, Bulgaria, Colombia and Nicaragua will not pay for much or lend any troops to this operation. Troops are only coming from the United States and Great Britain, with several thousand from Australia and the United States paying for the bulk of the operation and subsequent Iraqi occupation.

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Nicaragua backs our operation. This is no surprise since our government spent hundreds of dollars per vote in their last election to elect the candidate U.S. representatives supported. Russia, China, France and Germany are only the most well-known countries that we have alienated. Canada, Mexico and Chile didn't sign on with the United States either, and they are close economic trading partners in our own hemisphere. Chile, especially, has a lot to lose in opposing our war initiative. According to *The New York Times*, it has a trade agreement that must be ratified by the U.S. Senate as early as May. According to Marcela Sanchez in *The Washington Post*, "Chile proudly proposed an alternate plan to the United States proposal at the U.N. Chile described their move as a matter of conscience concerning the Iraq matter." Will our Republican-controlled Senate punish Chile's independence at the United Nations in May? Stay tuned.

In fact, U.S. post-Saddam plans for Iraq will be so expensive and time sensitive that we will need all the international goodwill we can muster, especially from the United Nations. The expertise of the United Nations in the areas of disaster relief and refugee aid will be necessary if our extended occupation of Iraq will ever be successful. It would be helpful if our government representatives (President George W. Bush, Secretary of State Colin Powell, etc.) stop portraying the United Nations as a weakened or ineffective organization simply because the United Nations fails to vote in the U.S. interests on occasion. This simply shows frustration from the last world superpower that has a powerful political position on the U.N. Security Council, including veto power in the resolution process. The United States must address the tone it uses in relations with other nations because of our concentration of political and military power in the world. Our leaders must use discretion to proclaim pride in our country but not look simply, blatantly, arrogant in relations with other countries. Whatever our true motives in Iraq, it looks like an oil grab for many in the world.

One example of a failure of diplomacy and clarity in advertising our motives to the world is illustrated in the Australian newspaper *The Age*. The paper mentions the Bush State of the Union Address passage concerning AIDS. According to the public affairs nonprofit group Public Campaign, the surprising AIDS proposal was a payback to the heavy Republican campaign contributors of the U.S. pharmaceutical industry. *The Age* reported, "The Bush Administration in May 2002 at the United Nations Children's Summit opposed the use of condoms for the preventions of HIV/AIDS. In July, Bush withheld $34 million from the United Nations Population Fund for maternal and childcare, and birth control, and HIV/AIDS control. In August, Bush withheld $200 million in funding to support women and tackle HIV/AIDS in Afghanistan. In January 2003, the United States killed a deal in which 143 World Trade Organization members agreed to allow developing countries to import generic drugs to fight AIDS, instead of the more expensive drugs from Europe and the United States."

Was the $15 billion Bush AIDS relief program for Africa a market niche subsidy for the American pharmaceutical industry for entry into the African market? Regardless of our country's motives, it looks that way to any informed observer. In this instance the United States looks religiously and economically motivated on a major international health issue affecting the life and death decisions of millions in Third World countries. The United States looks to the world like it prefers profits over people on this issue.

Our global markets and international relationships are valuable to the United States, but our country must not appear to primarily about profit or domination. Simply appearing financially motivated illustrates a pattern of concentrated power by the United States to the rest of the world and breeds contempt, suspicion and, worst of all, humiliation to many in the world. Have we begun to recruit legions of followers to the cause of those that attacked us on 9/11? Before we slap ourselves on the back and congratulate our military for defeating a foe that has a $1.3 billion defense budget—compared to our $300-350 billion defense department budget—we must maintain our patriotic perspective while praising our soldiers for their service.

I fear that our actions in Iraq will only further alienate our traditional allies and further estrange our country from those that already mistrust our motives. Appearances are important in international relations, and we appear to give little regard to the views and opinions of allies and enemies alike. In a global trade environment this is shortsighted and will hurt the United States for years to come. This is no way to gather allies to win the peace in Iraq ... or anywhere else. "Shock and awe" may turn out to be a poor tool of diplomacy sooner rather than later to our great regret as we try to win the peace.

Reliance on written word overlooks verbal skills

By Aaron Bates
Writer

With graduation quickly approaching, I realize that there is a major flaw in our liberal arts education. This problem is related to the issue of the W1s and W2s of which we are all so aware. The University places a great deal of stress on these courses, and they are well intentioned, as written communication is deemed invaluable. It is important to be articulate in the written work that we will dispense over the next 20 (if we are lucky) to 50 years of our lives. An issue that seems to be ignored is the need for articulation of thoughts when we speak. We are not in a paper society. It is impossible for us to live our lives without speaking up, without voicing our opinions in a clear manner.

Many would argue that not all students that attend the University are in need of such a requirement. People often view public speaking as a skill that is taught in grade school, so it is not necessary to teach it beyond that level. This statement is contradictory because writing is also a skill that is taught in grade school. By that logic, both of these skills should be up to par by the time students graduate high school, and both should be unnecessary requirements for the University to have.

Yet, it is apparent that some students are in dire need of speech and spoken language training. At meetings in the past, I have noted Bucknellians who seem to have no skills in verbalizing their thoughts. Certainly, they had the skills necessary to gain acceptance to the University. This is not always the case. There are students who will enter and exit this fine institution without learning how to speak to others; a frightening fact when you look at the large number of CEOs and community leaders that the University produces. Many students can express their deepest thoughts through schematics and numbers, but if asked to verbalize the same statements, they would be left flabbergasted.

In my collegiate career, I have only had a few opportunities with which to engage other students in my class with spoken presentations. What strikes me as embarrassing is that I searched for a straight speech and rhetoric class during my sophomore and junior years, frustrated to find that there was no course that provided this basic skills training. I have since given up on finding classes in the art of oral communication, and have settled into the thought that this is one of many aspects that my education at the University will never afford me. I can go on with the knowledge that until things change, the University will be releasing unprepared graduates into the workforce.

Without verbal communication skills, our education means nothing. Since it is not possible to communicate solely through written means, I encourage students to demand that speech be introduced into the curriculum. Adding an S1 or an S2 will add to the requirements, but as liberal art schools are supposed to do, it will prepare us for the world of work, where both written and verbal communication are necessary.

Middle East conflict needs attention and action

By Nicole Weiderspiel
Staff Writer

I am trying really, really hard not to watch the news these days—the war coverage is beginning to look like a sequel to a deranged action flick, and I really don't like action flicks. The economy is continuing its downward spiral, and if I hear about another kidnapped child or brutal murder (the illegal kind), I may be forced into a dismal state of disillusionment. Nevertheless, I have more than once given in to some sick and masochistic desire to torture myself with bad news, hypocrisy and blatant stupidity. By the way, if you want a large dose of the above, just go to www.foxnews.com. But there was one story that I read that I cannot forget and feel impelled to comment on.

In case you haven't heard, a 23-year old American protester, Rachel Corrie, was killed last week by an Israeli bulldozer while peacefully protesting Israel's destruction of Palestinian houses. My first thoughts were: How horribly tragic, but accidents do happen and I'm sure Israel is horrified by this event. But then I read the details, and heard Israel's statement, which basically said, yeah, we're sorry, but she shouldn't have been in a Palestinian refugee camp in the first place. They accused her of behaving irresponsibly, although they did promise to investigate her death.

OK, stop for one moment. She shouldn't have been in a Palestinian refugee camp, helping a marginalized people through peaceful means (read: She did not strap a bomb to her body and hop on a bus)? Moreover, I was shocked by the pictures I saw that were actually taken before and after she was run over—twice. She is wearing bright orange and waving frantically at the Israeli soldier driving the bulldozer—in the next picture she is just a heap on the ground. Now I've never driven a bulldozer, so correct me if I am wrong, but can't you see what you are doing from up there? And not to be graphic, but wouldn't you feel a body under the wheels so you know not to run over the area a second time?

Which leads me to this horrifying conclusion: The Israeli soldier purposely ran over that woman, perhaps in blind anger and frustration. I am not blaming Israel for one man's actions, but I cannot believe that they would not apologize profusely as a result of what happened. Actually, I am not all that surprised. The Israeli government continually ignores human rights when the Palestinians are concerned and has turned a blind eye to a desperate people—a bitter irony considering the plight of the Jews (persecution, dispersal around the globe, the Holocaust...). They continue to violate international law, but hey, so does the United States. If the United States continues to support Israel as myopically as it does now, we must be prepared for more terrorist backlashes from the Arab and Muslim world—because they feel desperate and victimized, and they feel the need to unite against a power that seems unjust. The power is unjust, undoubtedly so—and the violence seems interminable.

Yet I feel certain that most Israeli's and most Palestinian people are peaceful people, and those that do resort to terrorism (and I purport that both groups do) are members of an extremist, vindictive minority. But it is these extremists on both sides—Hamas, Hezbollah, Sharon's government) that are keeping the region in turmoil, because neither side will stop until they see the other side running for the hills or liquidated. Human nature appears as such that neither side is able to see past its own miseries and injustices to realize that the other group has suffered, albeit differently, strife.

As for Rachel Corrie, I believe that the United States ought to receive not only a real apology for the incident, but a thorough and fair investigation ought to be conducted. While this isn't very likely—the Bush Administration is too wrapped up in preparing the Eve of Destruction, it must be done. And as for peaceful protesting? I sincerely hope that this incident doesn't discourage anyone from doing so. I recently told a friend that I didn't see the need to protest (the war in particular) because it seems like no one is listening and the government is going to do what it's going to do, regardless of my opinions. I was wrong, of course—we must continue protesting this unjust world—it is in fact, our only salvation. We must do it for the American people, and for all people. They may look, and never see, a corrupted power, but at least we can say that we resisted the ugliness, hatred and violence—and that must be enough for now.

The Dining Services campus monopoly

By Andrea Dill
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Currently, the minimum declining balance is $525. Some students find that this is an outlandish amount and end up buying $200 worth of Oreos from the C-Store as the semester winds down. Others bemoan their lack of cash for food and spend weekends coming up with new ways to sucker their parents into paying for incremental $50 declining addendums. Too much or too little, $525 is rarely just right without some tweaking. I fall into the former category, yet cannot help but be righteously indignant when I invariably get the question, "Cheeseburger?"

I stand in line at the Bison grill counter and watch as healthy people laden their sandwiches down with various vegetables and sauces. After that half-hour ordeal, "A cheeseburger, please," I implore. Depending on how bored the Bison worker and how busy the grill, I can have my burger in a matter of minutes.

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At the checkout, I get the cheese question. My slice of cheese—and Bison workers give you only one slice unless you specifically ask for more—costs me extra. The pragmatist in me calculates that after hundreds of burgers plus cheese, I will have taken care of my semesterly surplus. Yet somehow I don't think that will be enough to conquer my excess declining. Nor is it a question of stinginess; I do not begrudge paying the due cost of my sandwich. My resentment does not stem wholly from the price. Some things cost more than others—the econ major in me screams of supply and demand, though I am fairly certain that there is a slice of American to go around for the endless number of condiments and veggies that scrape by without cost.

There is no denying that some campus-provided food is pricey. The C-Store charges almost 40 percent more for Oreos than Weis Markets. Overpricing is an appreciated practice as I try to get rid of my $200 at the end of the semester without packing my car with more calories than clothes. Nonetheless, it is mildly offensive to realize that the C in C-Store is for costly, not convenient. Dining Services has to make money, but so does everywhere else that sells Oreos for less while still garnering a profit. I can only wonder if their inflated prices are driven by greed, lack of competition, gross inefficiency or simply the failure of the University to properly control its vendor. It is just one of life's mysteries, I guess.

Certainly people cheat the system. We have all seen people nibble a crouton in line or sip their sodas then refill, and that is probably the tip of the pilfering iceberg. When the Bison overprices more for the same food every year, I am inclined to say, have another crouton. Such consumption without compensation is commonplace and some people will continue undeterred. Perhaps the "stealing" will subside somewhat if students do not feel that Dining Services is taking advantage of its relative market exclusivity on campus food.

That is the crux of the issue: Many students have few other choices for their everyday food supply, especially since campus meal plans are mandatory. The Langone Center eateries are it for them. These are the places where we regularly purchase sustenance, and it seems obnoxious that Dining Services gets away with charging us more simply because it can.

In fact, students paid more than $33,500 in tuition this school year for the pleasure of overpriced food. So I will look the other way when people munch vegetables off their salads, and I will watch unconcerned as people sip while they wait and then refill. I will even continue to begrudgingly admit I have cheese on that. What irks me is that I will do all of these things because I have no other reasonable choice as a slave of sorts to the monopoly that is Dining Services.

Not a sober hour during House Party

By Josh Fisher
Opinions Editor

It's that time of year again—the sunlight rekindles the leapingly green spirit of the grass, the clouds dream in the blue sky and flowers burst into spontaneous affirmations that a single ray of splendor rivals all the utility of the world.

Yeah, the strategically positioned flowers at the University are not exactly wild or spontaneous. Appropriately, the passion and fervor of the students, which has only come to ripen now, erupt only into an orgiastic display of ritual inauthenticity—House Party, the annual University-wide binge-drinking contest.

House Party is a truly unique phenomenon. It offers students the yearly and otherwise unavailable opportunity to "wet the whistle" a little bit, to "liquor up," to "fill up on liquor-courage" and have a fun time—and all without the pressure of remembering any of it!

Sure, the bands are great. You can hear them all through Lewisburg and two miles away in Montandon. I love music; it's one of my passions, but I think the best thing about the House Party bands is that they mute the unremitting chatter of ambulances, drunken yelling contests and shattering glass.

And if House Party is a truly unique phenomenon, how exactly does it represent a departure from the conventions of every other weekend at the University?

As my friend the philosophy major described it, House Party is "The Festival of 'Das Man,'" the culmination of individual values hinging on average-ness, numbness and Heideggarian "chatter"—a flight from one's self, all the words and actions and rituals without the depth of meaning.

The scene is absolutely surreal—or perhaps it would be more appropriate to call it absurd. Empty beer cans and trampled, used plastic cups appear on the lawns as if they had magically sprung from the dirt after the rain. The sidewalks are permanently stained with the odor and residue of clumsily spilled beer, and the trash cans overflow with an inordinate mass of casings.

> *If the beer supply to Lewisburg were to be severed on this weekend occasion, hide the rubbing alcohol. Hide the hairspray.*

For one shining moment of the academic year, students fail to remain apathetic about something—but what emerges out of this is a single-minded obsession and definitive goal: getting absolutely tanked.

Alcohol can be an anesthesia to a greater reality for some students; its sway is certainly not due to some ineffable power to ignite and free the mystical faculties of human nature, because people are always crushed to earth by the cold and dry facts of the sober hour.

So why perpetuate the only acceptable lifestyle at the University? It is sanctioned and made official by the University; you are tagged like a zoo animal with identical House Party wristbands.

Nothing about this festive weekend drives the individual up and far above the average, over the depths of the herd mentality and into the cultivation of true individuality. This festive weekend is an absolutely disgusting display of absurdity, and perhaps it is only so to those who choose not to participate.

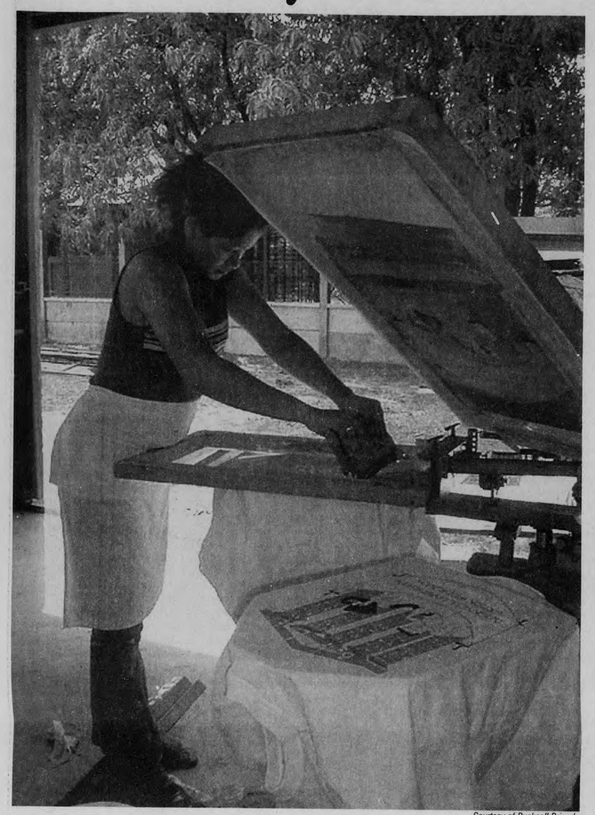
So what to do? Well, perhaps it is best to save your energy for cleaning up after that drunken prankster who decided it was more than absolutely hilarious to dump the contents of a trash can all over your yard. Perhaps while others are starting their pregaming for the orgy, two days early, you should bolt down anything to which you might assign any value. Close your ears to the mess, not the music, or prevent a friend from going comatose from alcohol poisoning.

Or maybe you go and do something you have not done before—and enjoy it.

One thing is for sure: If the beer supply to Lewisburg were to be severed on this weekend occasion, hide the rubbing alcohol. Hide the hairspray. Hide even the methanol-containing Aqua Velva, because desperation would be followed by rioting! As it turns out on this campus, I guess, beer is the opiate of the masses.

FEATURES

Greeks buy T-shirts from Nicaraguan co-op



Courtesy of Bucknell Brigade

A Nicaraguan woman works on one of this year's Greek Week T-shirts. The University's Greek Week Committee chose to purchase T-shirts, which Bucknell Brigade brought back after spring break, from the Nicaraguan co-op.

By Jolene Hart
Senior Editor

Reinforcing the idea that our everyday decisions can have a positive impact on the world, affecting more than just ourselves, this year's Greek students are wearing Greek Week T-shirts purchased in support of a worker-owned sewing cooperative. The purchase of the T-shirts was made possible for the students through the cooperation of members of the Bucknell Brigade and the Greek Week Committee.

This year's Greek Week Committee, composed of one representative from each campus fraternity and sorority, agreed to purchase the shirts from the Nicaraguan cooperative at the suggestion of Kristin Hughes '04, the Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority representative to the committee and a participant in the January 2003 Bucknell Brigade. Students who traveled to Nicaragua with the Bucknell Brigade heard the incredible story of the women who work in the sewing cooperative, and clearly many wanted to spread their story of perseverance even after returning to the United States.

"Everyone on the committee was very supportive of the idea, even though most people had never been to Nicaragua with the Bucknell Brigade," Hughes said.

The order of 1,121 shirts, each bearing a design by Delta Gamma sorority sister Deanna Schnepp '04 and the slogan "Built to last," was placed early in the spring semester, facilitated largely by members of the Bucknell Brigade, including Director of Service Learning Janice Butler, Assistant Professor of Women's Studies and Anthropology Coralyn Davis, Katie Kohn '03 and Ben Colby '03. Members of the Brigade, many of whom helped construct the co-op's production facility during past delegations to Nicaragua, have been encouraging continued support of the cooperative by campus organizations. A previous donation made by the Residential Colleges allowed for the purchase of silk-screening equipment that the women use in their production.

The women who sewed the shirts, owners of a female sewing cooperative in Cuidad Sandino, Nicaragua, are dependent on consistent clothing orders to keep their self-made business running. Because the cooperative is conducted under fair labor conditions, the products cost more to manufacture than similar versions that are mass-produced in sweatshops. The women of the cooperative are constantly competing with sweatshops and often experience periods of little or no work.

Maggie's Organics, a clothing company based in Michigan, is now one of the cooperative's regular customers, purchasing and selling other products that include nightshirts, camisoles and hair scrunchies. Early 2002 found the women with a lack of orders, struggling to keep their endeavor alive despite having already overcome tremendous odds in financing and constructing the cooperative on their own.

In need of funds to keep their business from falling apart, the women of the cooperative tried to borrow money to invest in cloth for their work. According to the Center for Development in Central America, which helped the women build the cooperative following Hurricane Mitch, the World Bank denied a request for a loan made by the women, claiming that the project was too small. Local banks, which the women also turned to, could only offer a loan at 20 percent interest.

The Greek Week Committee's order was brought back to the United States by a delegation of the Bucknell Brigade that traveled to Nicaragua during spring break. As a result, the shipping costs were offset enough that approximately 40 cents from the sale of each T-shirt was donated to the Bucknell Brigade to continue the construction of its women's clinic in Nueva Vida, Nicaragua. Each of the T-shirts cost $8, which some students pay individually, though most sororities and fraternities cover the expense out of their funds. Although the shirts were more expensive than the usual $4-5 rate, the committee is confident that the decision was worthwhile.

"If given the choice between profit and nonprofit, we feel that it is important to utilize the charities as much as possible. I would definitely encourage others to use their funds in this way in the future," said Meredith Atkinson '04, vice president of the Panhellenic Council.

The T-shirts are an example of charitable acts by Greeks.

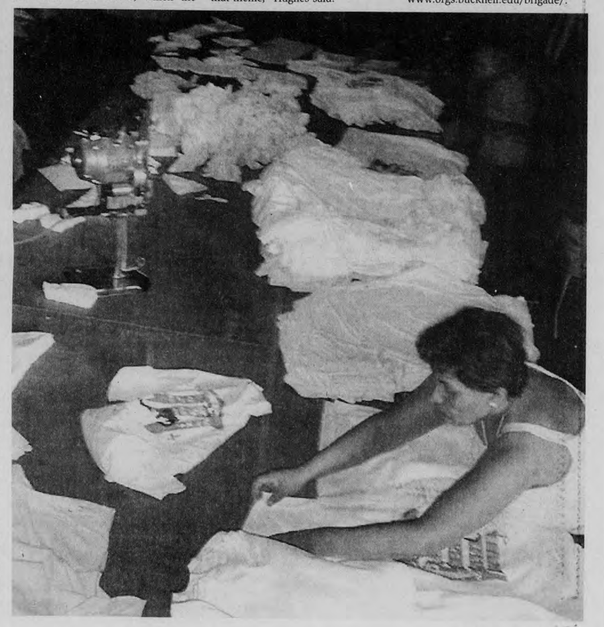
"Fraternities and sororities are based on philanthropy, and being able to do this goes along perfectly with that theme," Hughes said.

The Greek Week Committee was satisfied with the quality and design of the T-shirts and hopes to support the women's sewing cooperative further by continuing their association. The choice that the committee made, seemingly insignificant, was instrumental to working as a campus to support fair trade and denounce sweatshop labor. Members of the Bucknell Brigade hope that other campus organizations will take similar steps to support the sewing cooperative.

"We're hoping that we can continue to find ways to promote their success. By supporting the co-op with future orders, Bucknellians can show these women from far away that we are concerned about their welfare and are committed to their survival," Bucknell Brigade Steering Committee member Ben Colby '03 said.

Students who wear Greek Week T-shirts this year, possibly unaware of the story behind their garments, should be aware that they are making a difference in the lives of these Nicaraguan women without ever leaving campus.

For more information about the Bucknell Brigade, the Center for Development in Central America or the Sewing Cooperative, visit www.orgs.bucknell.edu/brigade/.



Courtesy of Bucknell Brigade

Women work on a T-shirt order at their self-run sewing co-op in Managua, Nicaragua. After the devastation from Hurricane Mitch in 1996, the women banded together in order to build and form their own business.

Fremont Scholars strive for a more worldly perspective

By Ashley Maliken
Staff Writer

Recently a number of the University's international students traveled to Harrisburg in order to learn more about how the government is run, tour the capital and meet state Republican representative Merle Phillips. These four first-year students, Giang Hoang of Malaysia, Zubin Mehta of India, Jhana Saunders of Jamaica and Yew San Lim of Vietnam, are recipients of the Fremont Scholarship.

This scholarship, given by Michael Fremont in memory of his wife Lillian, has provided need-based financial aid to international students since 1991.

They were accompanied by Matt Firm '05, Richard Haislip '04 and employees of the Small Business Development Center: Director Jon Vernam, Assistant Director of Technical Consulting Mike Dorkoski, Business Analyst Anthony Kidd and Secretary Shelley Gadoury.

The Fremont scholars were flooded with the clamor of the capital and had a photo shoot with Phillips, all the while gaining valuable knowledge about the logistics of American government.

In addition to tours and meetings, the students also had the opportunity to visit the Department of Community and Economic Development, enabling them to hear about opportunities for international students and graduates to support international trade.

Though many of the students had experienced "Americanized" education in their home countries, learning about America in the place where its government runs is an opportunity many thought they would never have.

This Harrisburg trip was offered as part of the monthly intercultural experience Fremont Scholars are required to participate in because of the financial aid they receive.

Other activities the Fremont Scholars participate in include a tour of the 7th Street House during Black History Month and a visit to the Greek Carnival to get a feel for Greek life at the University. Susan Zingale-Baird, director of International Student Services, coordinates all the events for the students and also gets them involved on campus.

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This work continues for the duration of their enrollment at the University. Students work at the Admissions Office, the Career Development Center, Campus Activities and Programs and the Craft Center, where a cooking class with international zest is currently in the planning stages.

Students are asked to keep a journal documenting their time and experiences at the University, allowing the International Office to gauge the effectiveness of its program, and also giving students the opportunity to reflect on all they are encountering.

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"They're here to gain knowledge and access to technology, [in order to] bring it back to their home countries," Zingale-Baird said.

And what better way to do that then to promote involvement both on campus and in the surrounding areas?

Other contributions of the Fremont Scholars include frequent visits throughout the Lewisburg area to speak about their lives as international students.

This year the Cub Scouts have asked the Fremont Scholars to speak, and most are willing to share their experiences.

According to Zingale-Baird, without the generous donations of Michael Fremont the international population would not be nearly what it is today. The financial assistance the University is able to provide also increases the number of international students at the University.

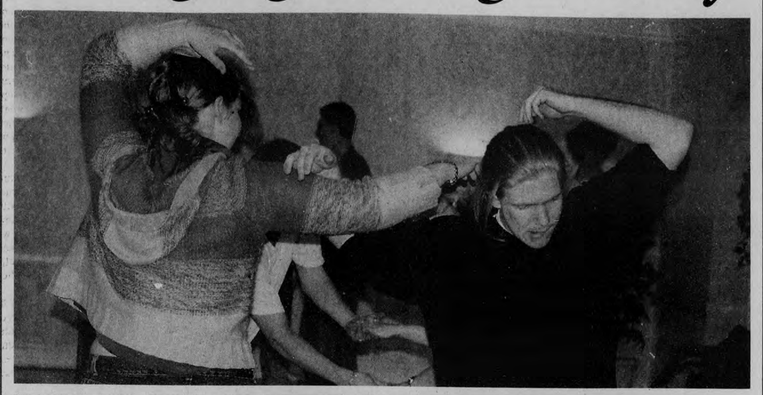
"The world is definitely shrinking," Zingale-Baird said. "We've got to be committed to need-based aid [for international students] because everyone benefits from exposure to other cultures and countries."

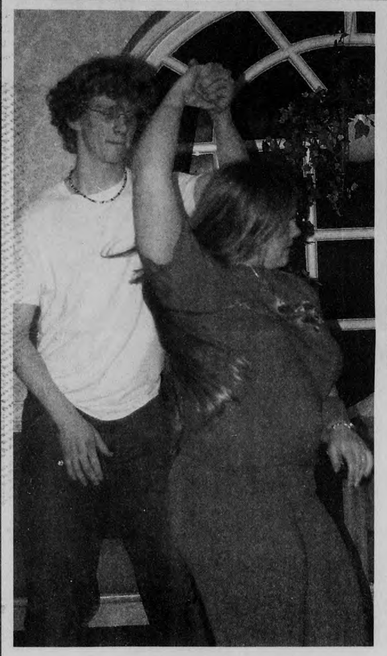
In upcoming years the International Student Services Office hopes to keep their numbers high, as well as keep international students involved on campus and in the community.

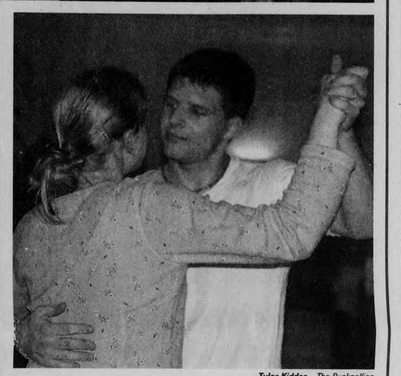
Beginning with the first Fremont Scholar, Angela Angelova '97 of Bulgaria, this program has proved successful. The hope is that the future will bring just as much success.

FEATURES

Swinging the night away







Tyler Kidder—*The Bucknellian*

Students gathered Friday night in Vedder Living Room to learn to how to swing dance. The Penn State Swing Club taught them how to "cut a rug," and after an hour-long lesson, students could "jump and jive" the night away. The "Spring Fling Dance Thing" was sponsored by the Residence Hall Association. All in all, it was a swinging time!

The Bleu Plate Café makes a great lunch

By Alyson Walker
Features Editor

❖ Restaurant Review

Under a blue awning on Market Street is an often-missed treat of Lewisburg—the Blue Plate Café. It is an ideal place for casual dining at affordable prices.

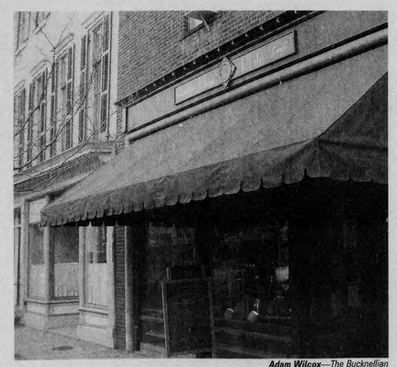
Entering the café, I first saw the eclectic collection of different kitchen gadgets, spices, dishtowels, place mats, mugs, trays and other accessories. It was interesting to browse through these items while waiting for lunch.

The red and white checkered tabletops and blue booths create an inviting atmosphere. A black and white photograph complements each booth. There is also seating available outside for dining alfresco when the weather permits.

I got a menu and ordered at the counter in the back. The menu for lunch ranges from specialty sandwiches—including hamburgers and cheeseburgers served with potato chips—to different types of wraps—like gyros, served with fresh fruit—to salads and soups. Side dishes, such as their "fabulous fries" and macaroni and cheese, are also offered. Ice cream, milkshakes and floats are available for dessert.

My selection for lunch was a chicken Caesar wrap with fruit salad and a side order of their "fabulous fries"—I had to see if these fries were truly fabulous or just a flop. In just a little over five minutes, my meal was delivered to me, on a blue plate—good service considering that I was there during prime lunchtime and the restaurant was bustling with business.

The chicken Caesar wrap is made with chicken, romaine lettuce, a light amount of their egg-free Caesar dressing and croutons. The croutons added a refreshing contrast in texture to the wrap. The amount of dressing was perfect. The wrap was not drenched in dressing, nor was it completely dry. The fresh romaine lettuce was also nice and added a satisfying crunch factor to the wrap. Carrots and celery were served on the side to complement the wrap.



Adam Wilcox—*The Bucknellian*

The Bleu Plate Café is located on Market Street across from the Campus Theatre. The restaurant's atmosphere is casual, classy and affordable.

My fruit was delicious—the fruit salad was not too heavily melon-based. Instead, it consisted of pineapple, honeydew, grapes and strawberries. I was very pleased with the amount of pineapple in the salad.

The "fabulous fries" held true to their name. The seasoning on the fries gave them an extra kick of flavor. With some ketchup, they were quite possibly the best fries I have ever had. I would recommend them as a must-have item for any visit to the Bleu Plate Café.

On my visit, I saw members of the Lewisburg community, professors and students all enjoying lunch at this casual, yet classy restaurant. Its location across from the Campus Theatre makes it a prime location for dinner before the movies. Lunch was under $10—and that includes the wrap with fruit salad, fries and a drink.

My lunch at the Bleu Plate Café was a success. The environment was conducive for me to enjoy my meal in both a comfortable and timely manner.

The Bleu Plate Café is open for lunch from 12-3 p.m. and for dinner from 5-9 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Stop in for a delicious dining experience.

A children's book, smelly garbage and mating flies: the Kalman Research Symposium

By Kyle Lange
Staff Writer

The second annual Kalman Research Symposium, a forum for students to present their research projects, took place on March 18. The projects, funded by many sources at the University, ranged from a children's book to a study on the mating habits of flies.

Out of the 54 undergraduate participants, 36 had conducted research in the natural sciences and engineering, while 18 had researched topics in the social sciences and humanities. Some participants presented their research in a poster session, while others gave short oral presentations of their research.

Juliana Brafa '05 presented a poster showing different scenes from the children's book that she has written. Under the guidance of Professor of English Michael Payne, she incorporated her interest in women's issues into writing a story about two kittens, complete with pictures and captions. In the story, the two kittens decide that they want to be like their teacher, emulating her in manner and dress, and in the end decide that they are happier being themselves.

Brafa hopes that her book will provide a valuable lesson for young girls.

"Most messages about beauty and self-esteem are given at a young age," Brafa said. "I want to present a positive image of self to young girls."

Not all of the research projects were as aesthetically pleasing as Brafa's. For example, Catherine Webster '04, under the guidance of Associate Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering Tom DiStefano, presented a poster of her work on the smell of garbage from the Lycoming landfill. She worked on a project investigating different ways to biodegrade food waste. She said that working with garbage was not as bad as it sounds.

"You get used to the smell after a while," Webster said.

By having people smell the different wastes produced by different methods, she was able to rank the methods according to the intensity and offensiveness of the odor. A further extension of Webster's work would be to determine which methods of biodegrading food are the least expensive.

Webster enjoyed her research project and the interaction with other researchers.

"It was good to get a feel of working with a small research team," Webster said.

Other research projects were not as hands-on as Webster's. For example, Jacob Buchanan '03 presented a poster of his research on the habits of black-capped vireos, endangered birds that live in Texas. Buchanan, under the guidance of Assistant Professor of Biology Don Dearborn, studied video recordings to determine if parent black-capped vireos were in any way attracting predators to their nests by their behavior. Although he did not find any connection between types of parental behavior and attracting predators, he did find that the parental effort between males and females was shared equally.

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Buchanan considered the research experience to be valuable in his own learning.

"It was a great opportunity to practice science outside the classroom," Buchanan said.

Safiya Abouzaid '04 worked with Assistant Professor of Biology Mary Howe and presented a poster of her research on chromosome mutations. Specifically, she studied mutations in proteins that affect cell division in Caenorhabditis elegans, a species of microscopic worms. She explained the benefits of her research.

"Cell division is very important for organisms," Abouzaid said. "An understanding of cell division in simple organisms could lead to a greater understanding of cell division in more complex organisms like human beings."

Abouzaid plans to write an honors thesis on her research next year.

University President Steffen Rogers attended the poster session and was very enthusiastic about what he saw.

"The student research projects are incredible," Rogers said. "When you ask them about their research, their faces light up. The facial expressions are amazing. It reminds me of when I was an undergraduate and did research with my professor. But my efforts were nowhere near this level of sophistication."

After the poster session, some students gave short presentations of their work. Mais Khamiss '03, under the guidance of Professor of Biology Warren Abrahamson, studied the habits of Eurosta solidaginis, a species of fly that lives in the northern part of the United States. Khamiss gave a short presentation on how female flies are selective in choosing which male flies they will mate with.

The broader applications of Khamiss' research are in how geographic isolation plays a part in evolutionary processes.

Khamiss plans to go to medical school after graduation and considers her research a valuable part of her undergraduate experience.

"The most important part of my research is using the scientific method," Khamiss said. "It is great preparation for graduate school and life after Bucknell."

Amid all of the research projects, there was even a study on undergraduate research itself. Carol Varano '03 worked with Associate Professor of Education Joseph Murray in conducting a literature review on undergraduate research.

"I was an undergraduate researcher researching undergraduate research," Varano said.

Varano took data on undergraduate research opportunities at 62 universities randomly selected from the Council on Undergraduate Research database. She noted the benefits, barriers, models and prevalence of undergraduate research at these institutions.

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The first Kalman research grants were given out three years ago, while the first Kalman research symposium occurred last year. Many students have spent summers at the University conducting their research, and some plan to write senior theses on their research.

BUSINESS & POLITICS

Airlines in need of financial parachute

By Jim Leahy
Senior Writer

War in Iraq is beginning to send shock waves through the business community as it has created wild swings in the U.S. stock markets, with stocks celebrating the beginnings of the war and dropping with the prospect of a prolonged effort. Airline carriers like Hawaiian Airlines are filing for bankruptcy and there may be more on the way. In order to prevent this type of collapse, the companies are working with the government to create a workable aid package.

Many travelers are not completely sure if they are safe away from home and are not venturing out on the airlines.

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> *—Airline industry executive*

The government is grappling with this possibility—the Bush administration is not sure if it should step in.

The airline industry is working with the government on a relief package. While the details of this potential bailout are still unknown, there are many ideas floating around. According to a report in *The Wall Street Journal*, the ideas the airlines have included are a takeover of the $4 billion the industry spent to upgrade security following Sept. 11, a reduction of the tax and fee load the companies have from the $9 billion they pay annually and the possibility of reducing jet-fuel prices by using government oil reserves.

"This is more about long-term survival than immediate assistance," said an industry executive [on CNN.com] who is familiar with efforts to win support for a new aid package. "The relief will not necessarily be 'I'll write you a check right now'—it's about reducing future costs. It's not going to take the form of 9/11 assistance (when the industry received $5 billion in direct grants)."

Delta Air Lines said Monday that it would reduce capacity across its system. *The Wall Street Journal* reported, "The nation's third-largest airline would cut about 12 percent of its domestic and international flights. [In addition,] the nation's largest carrier, American Airlines, said it cut international flights by 6 percent, and analysts anticipate the carrier will announce domestic cuts, as well."

United Airlines is also seeing problems.

"We saw a drop in future bookings as a result of the threat of war, and we expect this to continue with the onset of war itself," Senior Vice President Greg Taylor said in a press release on the company's Web site. "Despite the schedule reduction, we are protecting our route network by primarily reducing the frequency of flights on certain routes. Customers will still have service to all of the markets the airline currently serves, either through convenient connecting or nonstop service."

The drop in travel is significant, especially in the region surrounding the theater of war. Many airlines are not flying into Kuwait anymore and are working hard to fly into the European cities that they know are the right places to place customers. This trend is expected to continue.

Jamie Baker, an analyst at J.P. Morgan in New York, estimates that the number of passengers flying to Europe has declined by as much as 15 percent in the first few weeks of March, while the number of passengers flying domestically has declined only in the "low single digits," *The Wall Street Journal* reported. Baker said that passengers did not seem to be substituting their postponed European airline trips with domestic flights.

A CNN.com report said that jet-fuel prices have fallen off dramatically in the past month or so. They are now in the area of 80 cents per gallon after seeing $1.2775 per gallon early in March. This is largely due to the hopes for a short war, but other factors like the end of the winter season (when oil is in high demand for home heating) must be kept in mind.

The duration of the war will be a largely determinant factor in how well this relief for the airline industry works. If the United States gets into Baghdad quickly without too many more casualties and can take control of the volatility in the Middle East, the price of oil—and jet fuel—will come down and reduce costs for carriers. In addition, if the war is fast, the airline customers will flock back to the air.

Courtesy of Reuters

American Airline employees demonstrate at the Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport. Airline employees support congressional relief proposed for the economically stressed airline industry.

Amber Alert lights up Congress

Courtesy of Reuters

California's Amber Alert system flashes an alert to motorists in Los Angeles. A bill that is now before Congress could create a national Amber Alert system to aid investigators in finding possible leads in the critical hours after a child has been reported missing.

By Lindsey Gentel
Staff Writer

Elizabeth Smart was found March 11 in a Salt Lake City suburb nine months after she was taken by gunpoint from her home 15 miles away. Police say her captors had a huge psychological impact on her.

Elizabeth Smart's father, Ed Smart, said he believes she may have been found sooner if there was a national Amber Alert system in effect.

Amber Alert is a system that immediately notifies police and media when an abduction happens. This system has had great success due to its ability to get information out to the public quickly. When a child is taken, every minute counts.

In spite of widespread support, Amber Alert legislation has been stalled in Congress for months. The House is considering the creation of a national child kidnapping notification network, but not in the form that Elizabeth Smart's parents pleaded for before their daughter's return.

According to CNN, the House could take up the popular Amber Alert legislation later this week. The House Judiciary Committee approved it on March 18 as part of a package of child protection measures. That package is unlikely to win Senate passage.

"It is not something that can wait one more day. Lives are lost. The blood of those children is on someone's head," Ed Smart said to MSNBC.

Ed Smart believes that someone is Rep. Jim Sensenbrenner, R-Wis. The House Judiciary Chairman and other House Republicans say the bill's child protection measures are as important as the notification legislation, if not more so. According to MSNBC, Sensenbrenner and his fellow Republican congressmen wrote their own bill, the Child Abduction Prevention Act.

The House bill includes not just an Amber Alert system, but also other provisions, including lifetime supervision for sex offenders, mandatory life in prison for second-convictions for abductors and double the funding for child abuse and abduction prevention.

"I think prevention is much more important than notification, as important as that is," Sensenbrenner said to CNN. "The problem with the Senate Amber bill is that it doesn't do anything that isn't already being done."

According to CNN, Sensenbrenner said the Amber provision, as written, would not do anything that is not already in place at the Justice Department and would not establish a national Amber Alert system.

"When this legislation [Child Abduction Prevention Act] is passed—and it will pass—we will have taken a bite out of child abduction crime and I for one am very proud of that," said Rep. Mark Green, R-Wis., according to MSNBC.

Rep. Robert Scott, D-Va., and Rep. Melvin Watt, D-N.C., voted against the bill, which the Judiciary Committee sent to the House on an 18-2 vote.

According to CNN, Scott said Sensenbrenner's insistence on his full package means the bill will get stuck in a House-Senate negotiating committee for months, instead of going quickly to President George W. Bush for his signature.

Thirty-eight states have enacted their own Amber Alert systems, which involve instantaneously distributing information to various radio and television stations and electronic highway signs. This information can consist of a description of an alleged abductor's vehicle, license plate and physical appearance, and a description of the missing child.

The legislation passed by the Senate and under consideration in the House would direct the Justice Department to assist states that want to establish Amber Alert systems, but it does not require states to take any steps. MSNBC reported that Sensenbrenner said the Judiciary Committee was to hold a hearing this past Tuesday on his legislation and to consider whether to make the Amber system mandatory.

Amber alerts are named after Amber Hagerman, a 9-year-old girl abducted in Arlington, Texas, and later found murdered. Bulletins are distributed quickly through radio and television broadcasts and electronic highway signs about kidnapped children and their abductors. The alerts are credited with the rescues of at least 34 children since 1996, the Justice Department reported.

"I think there's a little politics being played here," House Majority Leader Tom DeLay R-Texas, said to MSNBC. DeLay hopes to bring the Child Abduction Prevention Act, which includes the Amber provision, to the floor for a vote next week.

Historical moment for Chechen voters

By Gretchen Schrock
Business & Politics Editor

The first step toward bringing lasting peace to war-torn Chechnya was taken Sunday as voters flocked to the polls to vote on a controversial new constitution, which would also begin the process of declaring the republic an inseparable part of Russia.

According to *The New York Times*, approximately 364,000 people, or 65 percent of Chechen registered voters, had cast ballots after only eight hours of the 12-hour polling day. With five hours left to vote, one voting station in Grozny's Leninsky district reported that 75 percent of its 1,210 voters had turned out.

"There's high activity," Abdul Kezim Arsakhano, the chief of the Chechen Election Commission, said to *The New York Times*. "People are standing in line at some polling places. The people understood that it's a historic moment, and they understood that adoption of the constitution is a way out of today's situation."

The Washington Post reported that 106 of 418 electoral districts disclosed that more than 95 percent of voters supported the constitution, while the BBC reported that, with nearly half the vote counted, 96 percent approved the draft constitution. Official results will not be known until Monday.

The new constitution would set the stage for Chechens to replace their Kremlin-appointed government with a popularly supported, elected one, hastening the end to the war and the occupation by Russian forces. Chechnya wouldpotentially be able to arrange with the Kremlin for broader autonomy, like predominantly Islamic Tatarstan and several other distinctly ethnic provinces, in addition to money to rebuild their devastated society.

"I am only for it, so there will be peace, so there will be laws, so we will be protected," Lidia Darasyan, a resident of the northwest Chechen village of Chernokosovo, said to *The New York Times*.

Due to possible rebel violence, heavy security was employed during the vote. The Chechen militia and Russian special forces were posted on rooftops, at street corners and along roads leading to polling places.

Though Russian supporters predicted its easy passage, many are questioning how the constitution could promote peace with Islamic guerrillas who "show no signs of giving up their fight," according to *The New York Times*. But Russian officials insist that a successful referendum will send a powerful message to the rebels that their own people demand that they drop their weapons and admit defeat.

Russian President Vladimir Putin said to the BBC, "All who have not laid down their arms so far are struggling from this moment not only for false ideals, but are directly struggling against their people."

Three and a half years of brutal fighting has destroyed virtually all of Grozny and forced 150,000 refugees to flee, according to *The New York Times*. The United Nations reported that more than 100,000 still remain in neighboring Ingushetia and of those, 65,000 were eligible to vote in the election.

Support for the constitutional measure remains relatively unstable. According to *The New York Times*, one only had to look along Staropromyslovskoye Highway outside of Grozny, where fences were covered with graffiti that said: "Referendum is deception," "Referendum is a bluff," "Referendum is a mistake" and "Chechens, don't let anyone deceive you," before government workers painted over them.

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> ***—Lord Judd,** Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe*

Some critics perceive the referendum as an attempt to avoid peace negotiations with the guerrillas, who continue to kill two dozen Russian soldiers a week and have increasingly used terror as a warfare tactic. The constitution would simply provide Russian rule with a degree of legitimacy, but would greatly fail to mend the ethnic and religious divisions that have resulted in two Chechen wars in the past decade.

"The conflict cannot be settled by giving them a piece of paper and ordering them to vote," Lord Judd, who until recently monitored the Chechen situation for the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, said to *The Washington Post*. "Conflicts are settled by reconciliation. The constitution should come from a consensus, not the other way around."

According to *The Washington Post*, political analysts view the constitution as a political ploy on the part of Putin, who wants to show his constituents that the Chechen war that helped bring him victory in the 2000 election will end in victory, not an indecisive stalemate.

The New York Times reported that Putin has refused to negotiate with the guerrillas, whom he claims are "foreign-backed terrorists." His solution has been to provide freedom of action to his army in order to defeat the separatists, especially after rebels seized a Moscow theater in October and blew up the Russian government headquarters in December, killing more than 200 people in the two incidents. Most Chechens are equally fearful of the Russian army, which has been charged with "kidnapping and killing innocent citizens in dark-of-night raids and extorting them by daylight."

Last week, Putin admitted to the Chechen public that such military abuses did occur.

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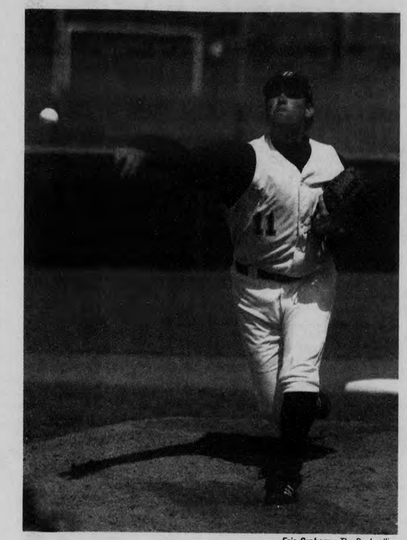
Bison win four straight, improve record to 8-4



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Zach Allen '03 delivers a pitch during the first game of a double-header against Lock Haven last Sunday. Allen, who earned his second win of the season, has contributed to the team's deep and talented pitching staff.

By Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

The Bison baseball team rolled through its first homestand of the season with sweeps of Bloomsburg and Lock Haven, pushing its record to 8-4 overall and 4-0 at home. After a disappointing 15-35 record in 2002, the squad is well on its way to a successful turnaround in 2003.

Twenty-one letterwinners have returned to this year's squad, allowing the Bison a chance to build cohesiveness and strength.

The Bison dominated a double-header against Lock Haven on March 23, outscoring their opponents 9-3 and 10-1.

The previous day, they swept Bloomsburg with emphatic 10-6 and 16-7 victories, the first of which included a historic feat by Brian Hirschberg '04.

The weekend sweep puts the Bison in a promising position as they head into the crucial portion of the season.

"I'm pleased with the potential we have shown for the start of our season," Head Coach Gene Depew said. "After a very long winter we performed well in Florida and this past weekend."

The strong start has the players looking forward to a return to Patriot League dominance.

"I am extremely proud of the way that our team has bounced back from last year's disappointing season," pitcher Kevin Burns '03 said. "We have all worked hard in the off-season and we feel that we have something to prove to all of the people that predicted us to finish fifth in the league this year."

The Orange and Blue had little trouble with Lock Haven on Sunday, banging out 18 hits in the double-header, while the Bald Eagles only managed eight.

The Bison jumped to a 2-0 lead in the third inning of the first game when Ben Stoll '04 scored on a sacrifice bunt by Pete Wolf '04. Wolf, who reached second on an error by the shortstop, scored on a Ben Krentzman '03 single.

The team increased its lead to 5-0 in the fifth inning, capitalizing on three Lock Haven errors with three unearned runs. Sam Moss '04 scored on an errant throw, and Hirschberg and Brian Day '05 reached on consecutive errors by the second baseman.

Day advanced to third on a Krentzman single, and both he and Krentzman scored when Kyle Walter '06 knocked a triple into center field.

The Bald Eagles pulled to within two runs of the Bison after a three-run frame of their own, but never really threatened.

The Bison tacked on a few insurance runs in the second half of the inning, increasing their lead to a comfortable 9-3. After walks to Moss and Wolf and a wild pitch that allowed Moss to advance to third, Hirschberg singled into left field, scoring Moss. A walk to Day loaded the bases for Walter, whose third hit of the day scored Hirschberg and Wolf. A single by Austin Barrett '05 and a sacrifice fly by B.J. Batterson '03 brought home Day to top off the scoring in the sixth inning.

Matt Daley '04 finished off Lock Haven as he struck out three in the seventh inning. Daley and co-captain Zach Allen '03 combined to hold the Bald Eagles to five hits and three runs.

Starting pitcher Allen pitched 5.1 strong innings, giving up three earned runs on just three hits. The effort earned him his second win of the season.

Pitching was paramount for the Bison in the second game of the day as well. As the Orange and Blue offense racked up 10 scores and nine hits, starting pitcher Burns and relievers Cory Nadler '04 and Phil Futrick '06 combined to put a muzzle on Lock Haven's offense all afternoon. The trio allowed just nine hits and one unearned run over seven innings, while striking out four.

Burns retired seven of the first eight hitters he faced, and only allowed two hits over his five innings of work, giving up no earned runs and striking out two. Burns' stint was one of several impressive outings from the Bison pitching staff this year.

The staff's strength and depth will play a crucial roll in the team's bid for a turnaround.

"All our pitchers are throwing the ball extremely well and have the confidence to beat any team we play," Allen said.

Depew also commented on the dependable pitching.

"So far we are getting very good pitching that has allowed us to be competitive in every game," Depew said. "Our offense has not been quite as consistent, but has shown potential to be explosive."

Assistant Coach Rick Ciccione also noted the importance of the team's pitching, as well as the recent potential of the offense.

"The pitching staff has been the anchor of this team throughout the year and the offense was able to put together a good homestand, which should give us momentum heading into Patriot League action this weekend at Holy Cross," Ciccione said.

The Bison offense was as loud as Lock Haven's was quiet, as the Orange and Blue put four runs on the board in the first two innings. Matt Capece '06 and Walter both scored on wild pitches, and Stoll scored on an RBI single by Chris Grandizio '06.

Grandizio knocked in two more RBIs in the fourth inning when he blasted his first collegiate home run to left field. Day also had two RBIs in the inning, capping off a four-run frame for the Bison.

The team finished up the scoring in the sixth when Steve Stutzman '04 scored on a Grandizio sacrifice fly. Futrick sat down three batters in a row to seal the victory.

The two wins followed a high-scoring day against Bloomsburg on March 22. The Bison outscored the Huskies 10-6 and 16-7.

The first game was highlighted by a stellar day for Hirschberg, who became the second Bison in the program's history to hit for the cycle. His second-inning double started the scoring for the day, and he eventually accounted for six RBIs in the game.

Bloomsburg stayed in the hunt until the Bison's four-run seventh inning blew the game open. Moss and Walter reached via bases on balls and Stoll singled before Hirschberg emptied the bases with a grand slam.

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Spotlight:

Hirschberg hits for cycle

Brian Hirschberg '04 became only the second Bison in the program's lengthy history to hit for the cycle.

Hirschberg made a place for himself in University history on March 22 against Bloomsburg when he hit a double in the second inning, a triple in the fourth, a single in the sixth and a home run in the seventh. In four at-bats, he had four hits, six RBIs and crossed the plate three times.

Hirschberg added a thrilling finale to his superb day when he completed the cycle with a grand slam. Needing a home run to finish off the accomplishment, the right fielder came to bat with the bases loaded and launched the ball out of the park.

"I knew that all I needed was a home run to complete the cycle, so I can't say I wasn't trying to hit one," Hirschberg said. "But the bases were loaded so I was just looking to hit the ball into the outfield."

Hirschberg got the pitch he was looking for and got the job done.

"I just got lucky and got a fastball right down the middle and was able to drive the ball out," Hirschberg said.

Hirchsberg joins Bucknell Hall of Famer Ted Aceto as one of only two Bison players to achieve the distinction. Aceto hit for the cycle in 1989 against Pittsburgh.

The rare achievement was a first for Hirschberg.

"I have never hit for the cycle before," Hirschberg said. "I had no idea that I was only the second person in Bucknell history to accomplish this. It feels pretty good."

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Sam Moss '04 slides into home as Lock Haven's Greg Leitsinger applies the tag in a game on Sunday. Moss, who was out on the play, scored seven runs over the weekend, including a two-run home run against Bloomsburg.

Bison women's water polo team dominates the B.U. Invitational

By Pat Evans
Sports Editor

The Bison women's water polo team dominated the Bucknell Invitational, winning all four of its games and propelling it into this weekend's league contests. The Orange and Blue beat Michigan State 9-7 on the first day of action, and continued their winning ways against Gannon and Slippery Rock the next day, 8-2 and 12-7, respectively. The team closed out the tournament with a commanding win over Siena 14-4.

The first ever water polo event at the University's new Arthur D. Kinney Jr. Natatorium was against Michigan State, the No. 1 club team in the nation.

There was little scoring in the first half with both team's matching up well defensively. The Bison didn't score a goal until 3 minutes, 3 seconds remaining in the half when Meg Blitzer '05 got her team on the board.

The Bison scored three quick goals to tie the score at three, and then Katie Hartigan '05 shot a buzzer beater just before halftime, which proved to be critical in the team's win.

"The first half we had difficulty scoring," Head Coach John Zeigler said. "Katie's goal just before the half made us a lot more aggressive offensively."

Cody Keffer '05 added three goals in the winning effort, while Hartigan added another goal and contributed defensively with three steals. The Bison never trailed after Hartigan's goal before the half and went on to capture the first win of the tournament and of the new pool.

The next game of the tournament against Gannon proved to be more exciting offensively from the beginning. Blitzer scored the first of the game just 20 seconds into it, and the Bison were unstoppable from then on. Lindsey Chesterfield '03 played a phenomenal game in goal, blocking 10 shots, many of them taken from point-blank range.

Gannon was 10-0 coming into the game against the Bison, but the Orange and Blue felt that they were the better team from the start.

"We were a lot better than they were offensively, and we played with a lot of confidence," Zeigler said. "We attacked every opportunity and got good shots."

Blitzer finished with two goals and added an assist. She attributes her effort to the help she received from the rest of her team.

"We're a very deep team, so that we can all go out there and give it our all, knowing that the level of play won't drop off when we need to come out to get rest," Blitzer said.

Eileen Ketterer '05 and Hartigan scored three goals each and the Bison were again victorious later in the day against Slippery Rock 12-7. The Bison came out strong with an early 4-0 lead capped off by sophomore Kelly Hofstetter's goal with 1:23 left in the first quarter.

Slippery Rock battled back, scoring four of the final six goals of the game, but the early lead that the Bison created was too much to overcome.

"We were prepared for what they were going to do," Zeigler said. "We were confident in our game plan and it worked."

The Bison capped off the undefeated weekend with a huge 14-4 win over Siena in which 12 different players scored for the Orange and Blue. Jennifer Meitzner '06 scored the first two goals of the game just 37 seconds apart, and Ashley Aiken '05 scored an unassisted goal to make it 3-0 after the first quarter.

Zeigler took the commanding lead as an opportunity to play some of the players who normally do not get much game time, but work hard in practice. Three of the game's goals came from athletes who had never scored at the collegiate level going into the match.

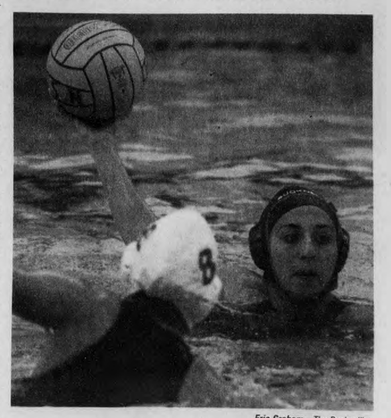
With the four wins of the tournament the Bison improve to 8-8 on the season and remain 3-1 in the league. The team is very happy with how they performed and think it is due in part to the advantage of playing at home.

"It was the first time anyone ever played in that pool," Blitzer said. "So we were really excited, and when we're that pumped up it's easy to find people in the right places and perform well."

The focus of the Bison now is to put their team as highly seeded as possible going into the Southern Tournament at the end of the season.

This weekend the team rematches the four league teams that they went 3-1 against earlier in the season. All four matches will take place at Villanova.

"We need to equal or surpass the effort that we had against these teams earlier in the season," Zeigler said. "It's important, not only for our overall record, but for what seed we draw for the Southern Tournament."



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Vanessa Scaringi '06 looks to pass in a recent game against Siena. Scaringi, Amy Wollish '06 and Ellen Caccia'06 each scored their first collegiate goals of their careers in the final quarter of play.

Sports

Running across America, chasing a dream

The What? *A 3,200-plus mile transcontinental run*

The Who? *Dave Bronfenbrenner '00 and Scott Sehon '00*

The How? *Running while pushing a baby jogger and staying in homes of friends and strangers.*

The Where? *From the Atlantic Ocean off the coast of New Jersey through Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Montana, Nebraska, Wyoming, Idaho and ending at the Pacific Ocean off the coast of Oregon*

The Why? *To chase a dream*

The Web site: *www.runtheusa.com—find their bios, the route, FAQs and more*

To contact Dave and Scott or offer a place to say: info@runtheusa.com

Courtesy of runtheusa.com

Scott Schon '00 and Dave Bronfenbrenner '00 have already faced a variety of challenges during their cross country trek, including trudging through inclement weather and improvising in their search for sleeping quarters. The duo is unfazed by the hurdles they face along the way and are still going strong as they traverse the nation.

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The vision was further cultivated by hours spent in Bostwick Cafeteria dreaming of the future.

The opportunity finally presented itself as Sehon finished paying off his college loans in December and both he and Brofenbrenner decided that graduate school may be on the horizon.

The talk turned to reality on March 23 in Sea Bright, N.J., as the pair left the Atlantic to head west towards the Pacific.

Unlike the Appalachian Trail or Pacific Crest Trail where set routes exists and tens of thousands attempt to complete them each year, this trip is a one of a kind. Few have traversed this great land by foot, fewer by running and virtually no one without a support crew. The path chosen isn't the shortest transcontinental route, as the pair's goal is to pass through at least one town every day.

The run is for pure adventure, not for fame, not for charity and not for a record. The plan is simple:run 20-30 miles a day carrying the bare essentials and pay no money for lodging. They've accomplished the first part, by initially carrying backpacks, but then switching to a baby jogger.

With the help of David Legerwood '99 and friends, they have created a Web site (www.runtheusa.com) to help put them get in contact with random strangers willing to host them for a night. In compensation, they offer to do a few chores if the host would like, and they tell many tales from the journey.

They posted the URL on the message boards of a couple of running Web sites. Days later this move ended up giving them a healthy endorsement as their site made the picks of the day for both Yahoo.com and USATODAY.com. The 30,000 hits a day the Web site was getting helped them to successfully secure lodging for the first 30 days and has given them contact information for many more nights.

This will certainly turn out to be an adventure of a lifetime. But why did the duo choose this goal? To fully understand, you would have to have met them in high school when they first took up distance running and as college first-year students when they became a part of Bucknell's cross country and track teams. Their devotion and loyalty to the University's teams proved their love for the sport. The five individual Patriot League Titles from cross country and track between them begins to shed light on the fact that they also possess the talent.

The article on "Reach the Beach," in the most recent Bucknell World describes a 200-mile relay in which they took part in and indicates that they have the support of many alumni.

Finally, a steady diet of running 100 miles a week and the completion of a few marathons, including Bronfenbrenner's recent win at the Las Vegas Marathon, show they are dedicated, committed talented and maybe a little crazy.

"Perhaps we are crazy, but our dream has been to do something that very few, if any, people have attempted before. We think that we'd be crazy for not attempting this run," Sehon said. "Craziness is not chasing a dream when given the chance. At 25 years old, no strings attached and in a world where tomorrow is not a guarantee … this is our chance."

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Cecily Cairns—The Bucknellian

Bronfenbrenner (right) and Sehon run while visiting campus. They spent the day hanging out with the track team on their old stomping grounds.

Q&A with Sehon and Brof

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Just two weeks into their journey, Evan Honeyfield chatted with Scott Sehon '00 and Dave Bronfenbrenner '00 when they took a much needed break here in Lewisburg.

Bucknellian: It's obvious that running here at Bucknell had a huge influence on you, but is there anything you leaned while at Bucknell away from running that is helping you through this journey?

Scott: I learned the value of a dollar from having to pay back my loans. The first two years out, I spent basically every extra dollar paying them back. It was worth every penny though.

Bucknellian: What the toughest part of the trip thus far?

Dave: Recovering from the first day. The first day was run pretty quickly with 14 packs on. The extra weight put a seriously hurt our knees and joints.

Bucknellian: Have there been any major surprises or were you pretty well prepared?

Dave: The effect of the packs on our running was huge. Overall, the huge Internet response was surprising.

Bucknellian: What's it like practically becoming a celebrity overnight?

Dave: The e-mails from outside the U.S. were the most inspiring. It's neat to get an e-mail from Russia in broken English saying you should run across Russia next and you'll have a place to stay.

Scott: E-mail from a guy stationed in Kuwait was very humbling. It's cool to get tons of e-mail a day, but that one was really neat. We've gotten a lot of response that feels like it puts a lot of pressure on us to complete this.

Bucknellian: If this run doesn't work out, will there be a second try or something else to take its place?

Dave: The only way we won't finish running is because of a stress fracture. In that case, the injured person would hop on a bike to continue along side the healthy one.

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Sehon (left) and Bronfenbrenner pause outside of their alma mater's fieldhouse to stretch out and share a few laughs during their Lewisburg stop.

Quote from another famous cross country runner

"That day, for no particular reason, I decided to go for a little run. So I ran to the end of the road, and when I got there, I thought maybe I'd run to the end of town. And when I got there, I thought maybe I'd just run across Greenbow County. And I figured since I run this far, maybe I'd just run across the great state of Alabama. And that's what I did. I ran clear across Alabama. For no particular reason, I just kept on going. I ran clear to the ocean. And when I got there, I figured since I'd gone this far, I might as well turn around, just keep on going. When I got to another ocean, I figured since I've gone this far, I might as well just turn back, keep right on going. When I got tired, I slept. When I got hungry, I ate. When I had to go, you know, I went."

—Forrest Gump

Courtesy of Paramount Pictures

Sports Ops

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Sports Editor

Believe it: McGraw's spirit is unflappable

Until last Tuesday, the most important save of Tug McGraw's life was his strikeout of Willie Wilson to end the 1980 World Series. Philadelphia can thank him for closing the deal on the city's first and only championship, a moment defined by the image of Mike Schmidt leaping ecstatically into the flamboyant relief pitcher's arms.

"Tylenol Tug" saved plenty of games over his 19-year career with the Mets and Phillies—180 to be exact—but is probably best remembered for the life he injected into his teams. A fan favorite in both cities, McGraw was the classic flaky left-handed closer.

He named his pitches. Never afraid to employ his wit at his own expense, he titled one fastball the "Peggy Lee," with reference to the song "Is That All There Is?" Then there was the "Lady Godiva." That one had nothing on it.

His quips are a mainstay of any baseball quote collection. A reporter once asked McGraw whether he preferred grass or AstroTurf.

"I dunno," McGraw replied. "I've never smoked AstroTurf."

It's tempting to wonder, in light of his outlandish antics, if at some point he actually tried just that.

He compulsively slapped his glove on his thigh. He yelled at nothing. One time he dyed his jersey green for St. Patrick's Day, his favorite holiday.

There was never a dull moment with Tug in the game. And there was hardly a moment of pessimism, either.

Watching McGraw bounce through life on the diamond was enough to remind anyone why our country loves baseball so much. His joy just infiltrated into the atmosphere wherever he went.

He wasn't the epitome of perfection on the mound—he was one of the reasons that the 1973 New York Mets were festering in the basement, 12.5 games back halfway through the season. But he was also the one who lit a fire under the team, catapulting them into an epic climb back to respectability—a climb that eventually took them to the World Series.

Legend has it that midway through the season, when the New York squad was still embarrassing itself daily, Mets' chairman Donald Grant had tried to deliver a speech to the hapless team. Somewhere in his lecture, he uttered the words that McGraw would make famous: "You gotta believe."

McGraw, never afraid to cause a scene, loudly repeated the phrase and then stood up and belted it out again, cutting Grant's efforts short. From then on, the lefty took a liking to those three words, yelling them whenever he got the chance.

His exuberance was contagious and sincere enough to make believers out of pretty much everyone.

It's hard not to be optimistic in the presence of someone like that.

Now, 30 years after he formulated the Mets' battle cry, 23 years after he threw the most important pitch in Philadelphia history, McGraw needs all the optimism he can get.

The 58-year-old McGraw, who has been a special instructor at the Phillies spring training camp for two years, noticed a couple of weeks ago that he was having tremors and feeling a little off.

It was hard for observers to tell anything was different—Tug was his usual self, clowning around, joking, smiling.

The smiles faded for Philadelphia when doctors found a reason for McGraw's shakiness—a possibly malignant brain tumor that had spread to both hemispheres of his brain.

He was scheduled to undergo surgery to remove the mass on March 18, the day after his favorite holiday. The Phillies did their best to honor the hospitalized legend with a spirited Irish tribute. Charles Marullo, who sang the national anthem, also sang "When Irish Eyes are Smiling" before the start of the game, and the bases were graced with green shamrocks.

But the king of St. Patty's Day was noticeably absent, lying in a hospital bed at Moffit Cancer Center in Tampa, Fla. waiting for the most important save of his life.

Only this time, it was someone else's turn to do the saving.

Neurosurgeon Steven Brem performed the surgery in six hours, and three days later, McGraw was released from the hospital with a new lease on life. His chances of recovery, according to Brem, are "excellent."

It isn't the first tumor McGraw has had in his life. In 1975, his first year after being traded to the Phillies, the star's lousy pitching and an odd discomfort in his left shoulder made him suspicious. Sure enough, doctors found and removed a gruesome, but benign, mass under the shoulder.

It was a memory that McGraw carried with him for the rest of that season. Literally. In the grand tradition of Tug's unorthodox approach to everything, that tumor spent most of the 1975 season in a little jar of formaldehyde on a shelf in his locker.

He was lucky, in his eyes, and that pickled tumor reminded him of that.

Life dealt him a tougher pitch this time around, though—this was no Peggy Lee, no Lady Godiva.

Rumor has it, although no one in the media can get confirmation, that McGraw's tumor was malignant, which will of course make his battle more of a war. It's a dire situation for anyone, but in Tug's case, optimism is abound in those surrounding him—the Phillies, his former teammates, his family, his doctors.

That's just how it is with Tug. Nothing is hopeless; nothing isn't worth fighting for.

He probably won't bounce smiling into the clubhouse with anything in a jar this time, but you can bet that he won't lose that charm, that zest, that willingness to take everything life hurls at him and find a reason to keep believing.

McGraw once offered this advice to baseball fans: "Always root for the winner. That way you won't be disappointed."

It's probably safe to say that everyone in baseball will be rooting for Tug McGraw. It's not that he was always a winner; he had his moments.

It's that he always gave (and still gives) those he associated with a reason to believe it would all work out in the future. Guys like that never really disappoint.

McGraw didn't just tell people to believe, he *made* people believe.

And it's easy to see that that isn't going to change anytime soon.

Courtesy of Reuters

A Tug McGraw fan shows her support at a recent baseball game. McGraw underwent surgery on March 18 in order to remove a possibly malignant tumor that had spread to both hemispheres of his brain.

Me like sportz

Aaron DeRosa
Senior Editor

Street cred predictions

Because the NBA playoffs are about as exciting to watch as a taping of Chief Justice William Rhenquist's recitation of an amicus brief while wrestling with a particularly heinous bout of laryngitis, and because my NCAA bracket fairs about as well as Toni Morrison at a Blondie concert, I've decided to shift my witty gaze to a more worthy sport, a gentleman's sport, a sport of numbers, a sport of intimidation.

No, I'm not talking about MathAttack 2K3, though I am ranked fourth in the nation under geometric functions, they call me, "f(Aaron) = the hypotenuse of fun." I am talking about baseball, of course. The only sport where it's legal to have your agent pinch run for you because you aren't allowed to make a decision to steal (bases OR money) without one.

It really is quite interesting how little can change in a sport that manages to straddle the fence on so many complex and game-altering decisions: the designated hitter, drug testing, revenue sharing, player salaries, the All-Star game—the cacophony of problems in baseball is simply staggering.

Where's Pete Rose when you need him? I propose Pete Rose be appointed commissioner, and here's why. He can't be bought out by big business; he prefers used greenbacks slipped under bathroom stalls from his many bookies as opposed to millions of "legitimate" dollars in endorsements and television programming.

Second, he's relentless in his goals. When he was chasing the career mark for hits, he stopped at nothing—including the fact that he lost his swing and couldn't find it if it introduced itself as a betting slip—to reach his target.

With Rose at the helm, do you think that the city of New York combined could pay for two teams at the same cost as for the same cost as 20 AH-64 Apache Attack Helicopters? I don't think so.

Third, all this talk about baseball losing money would vanish because with Rose's cost cutting plan, i.e. tax evasion, major-league baseball wouldn't even need to concern itself with paying for their stadiums. Not to mention Rose's frank demeanor when dealing with baseball executives would be so audacious even Big George Steinbrenner would blush like he just cussed out a 4-year-old.

Regardless, I must make a few predictions here just to boost my "street cred" before the season gets under way. In the American League, I'm picking (surprise, surprise) the New York Yankees, the Oakland Athletics and the Minnesota Twins, with the Boston Red Sox wrapping up the wild-card slot. The Yanks are a lock since the Bo-Sox have proved they can't play baseball after July. The Athletics are also tops with my upset special that the Anaheim Angels will fall like Lucifer to the unworthy depths of "suck." The Twins are in by default simply because no one else in their division is fielding a competitive team. The Sox will barely edge out Seattle and the Yanks won't make the Series for the second year in a row because there is such a thing as too much talent. The A's will head to the series because they are the best all-around "team"; the competition is weaker this year in the AL, and because the Yankees' heads will be too big for their shoulders.

In the National League, we have to stick with the steady Arizona Diamondbacks, St. Louis Cardinals and Atlanta Braves with my NL upset special L.A. Dodgers edging the Philadelphia Phillies in the wild card. The Diamondbacks will benefit from Byung Hyun Kim in the rotation and a youngen at first base. The Cardinals are the Twins of the National League, with no other strong teams in their division, though Houston and Chicago may give them a scare. The NL East looks like the toughest division in baseball, with major offseason acquisitions for all the teams (except, of course, the Expos), including Ivan Rodriquez, Cliff Floyd, Jim Thome, Mike Hampton and Tom Glavine. The Braves will pull it out because their rotation is stronger than any other, though the Mets and Phillies will be threats late into the season. The Dodgers will take the wildcard only because they play a lot of strong intradivisional teams, but they have the best all-around rotation and solid lineup in the league. If they can stay healthy (a sports analyst catchall phrase), they'll make it to the World Series, barely ousting the Cardinals.

Major-league baseball's globalization problems

By Mark Walker
Staff Writer

Over the past several years, major-league baseball (MLB) has been making serious efforts to showcase its product to global markets by playing games outside of the United States and Canada. The globalization of MLB started when the league decided to play spring training games outside of Florida and Arizona. Exhibition games have been held in Mexico and even in front of Fidel Castro in Cuba. You would be hard-pressed to find a downside to playing exhibition games in foreign markets. These games help create interest and merchandise sales for MLB in other countries.

The positive results of such exhibition games have given MLB executives greater ambitions. They have decided that showcasing spring training games is not enough. Rather, they have decided to begin playing regular season games in other countries.

On March 29-30, 2000, MLB made history when the New York Mets and Chicago Cubs opened the regular season in Tokyo, Japan, making it the first season opener played outside of North America. The league had opened the season in Mexico in 1999, but was now expanding its reach further around the globe. The Oakland Athletics and Seattle Mariners were supposed to open this season in Japan, but the trip was cancelled due to security concerns resulting from Operation Iraqi Freedom. Still, the globalization of MLB will reach even greater proportions this season. The Montreal Expos, who are struggling to survive financially, will play about one-quarter of their "home" games this year in Puerto Rico.

While playing regular season games in foreign markets works wonders for exposing the game to other cultures, it has a detrimental impact on the integrity and fairness of the game for MLB players and fans.

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In 2000, when the Mets and Cubs had to open the season on the other side of the globe a week earlier than everyone else, they were given an immediate disadvantage over their competitors. Both teams' spring workouts were cut by one week, as they had to leave for Japan a week before the rest of the teams in the league opened the season. Losing a week of exhibition workouts made the Mets and Cubs more susceptible to early season rust and both mental and physical errors.

Furthering the disadvantage that the 2000 Mets and Cubs faced was the severe jet lag that they suffered upon returning home. Each team was only given three days off between its last game in Japan and its first game in America. The long trip and plane flight obviously had a negative impact on the teams. The Mets, who would eventually go on to represent the National League in the World Series, struggled, going 2-5 in their first seven games after returning home. The Cubs also had difficulty adjusting, losing their first three games and five of their first six.

Another problem that arises from playing in foreign markets is the risk of injury from playing fields that are not kept up to MLB standards. While playing in the Tokyo Dome, several Mets and Cubs stumbled while starting from the batter's box to first base. These falls were the result of the softer clay that the Tokyo Dome had in the batter's boxes. The players were used to the harder clay in North America and took nasty spills as a result. Fortunately, no players were seriously hurt, but I would have loved to have seen what would have happened had Sammy Sosa or Mike Piazza been injured for the season due to loose clay in the batter's boxes.

Finally, fans of teams that open the season in foreign countries are hurt by international games. Both the Mets and Cubs played one fewer game at home in front of an enthusiastic crowd. The teams' loyal fans had one fewer chance to see their favorite players in person. Even worse for Mets and Cubs fans, if they wanted to watch the Japan games on television, they had to get up at 5 a.m. EST.

Many of these problems are going to be magnified for the Montreal/Puerto Rico Expos and their fans during this upcoming season. With the Expos playing 22 games in Puerto Rico to see if it is a viable market for expansion, the team will likely struggle due to the mental and physical toll of excessive traveling. Having to travel long distances to "home" games will likely wear the Expos out before the end of the season. The players will also become mentally drained, as they will not be able to stay at home with their families during "homestands."

Expos fans (if there actually are any) will also have significantly fewer opportunities to get to Olympic Stadium to see their team. The Expos will lose loyal fans since they will no longer have one true home. The league should either contract the Expos or let them play full time in Montreal, but should not make them have two "homes."

Don't get me wrong; exposing MLB to foreign countries can reap tremendous benefits, but the league must be exposed in a way that will not place some teams at an unfair disadvantage.

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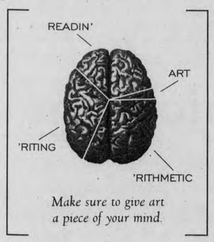

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Statistics

Women's Lacrosse
March 26
Bucknell 11, Lehigh 3
Score by period 1 2 Tot.

Bucknell	7	4	- 11
Lehigh	0	3	- 3

March 22
Lafayette 8, Bucknell 7
Score by period 1 2 Tot

Lafayette	2	6	- 8
Bucknell	5	2	- 7

Women's Tennis
March 22
Pittsburgh 5, Bucknell 2
Singles
1. Jill Williams (Pittsburgh) def. Nadezda Curcic - 6-0, 6-1.
2. Nikki Borza (P) def. Veronica Brown - 6-4, 1-6, 10-4.
3. Laura Pegula (P) def. Jill Wurzburg - 6-4, 6-3.
4. Becky Emmers (P) def. Tanya Sichko - 0-6, 6-0, 6-1.
5. Rheanna Gaskin (Bucknell) def. Hayley Hughes - 6-4, 6-0.
6. Samantha Berthod (B) def. Jena Fiore - 6-1, 6-3.

Doubles
1. Pegula/Williams (P) def. Curcic/Brown - 8-3.
2. Borza/H. Hughes (P) def. Sichko/Gaskin - 8-3.
3. Wurzburg/Berthod (B) def. Fiore/Emily Hughes - 8-3.

Women's Tennis
March 23
Bucknell 4, Duquesne 3
Singles
1. Nadezda Curcic (Bucknell) def. Alina Klinova - 7-5, 4-6, 6-2.
2. Veronica Brown (B) def. Diana Stein - 6-4, ret.
3. Katie Riedinger (Duquesne) def. Jill Wurzburg - 7-6 (8-6), 2-6, 6-4.
4. Sarah Shanahan (D) def. Tanya Sichko - 6-1, 6-0.
5. Rheanna Gaskin (B) def. Marina Zelenovic - 2-6, 6-0, ret.
6. Leia Zingone (D) def. Samantha Berthod - 6-3, 6-3.

Doubles
1. Curcic/Brown (B) def. Klinova/Riedinger - 8-5.
2. Shanahan/Julie Wagner (D) def. Gaskin/Sichko - 8-2.
3. Wurzburg/Berthod (B) def. Cecilia Cardona/Zingone - 8-4.

Men's Tennis
March 22
Buffalo 6, Bucknell 1
Singles
1. Fery Kasiman (Buffalo) def. Nick Denefrio - 6-2, 6-2.
2. Randy Rocchio (BF) def. Todd Jacobs - 6-2, 6-0.
3. Asher Salam (Bucknell) def. Nick Zieziula - 7-5, 6-3.
4. Josh Liederman (BF) def. Joe Menezes - 2-6, 6-0, 6-3.
5. Rannga Prahudha (BF) def. Gerald DiChiara - 7-5, 7-6 (4).
6. Rohan Raikar (BF) def. Aaron Saperstein - 6-2, 6-4.

Doubles
1. Rocchio/Zieziula (BF) def. Denefrio/DiChiara - 8-2.
2. Liederman/Prahudha (BF) def. Jacobs/Salam - 8-2.
3. Menezes/Saperstein (BU) def. Kasiman/Raikar - 8-4.

Men's Tennis
March 22
St. Bonaventure 5, Bucknell 2
Singles
1. Mario Arce (St. Bonaventure) def. Nick Denefrio - 6-4, 6-4.
2. Mikko Haulos (SB) def. Todd Jacobs - 6-1, 6-1.
3. Vili Nurmi (SB) def. Asher Salam - 6-4, 6-3.
4. Joe Menezes (Bucknell) def. Nikhil Mavalli - 1-6, 6-3, 6-4.
5. Adam Price (SB) def. Gerald DiChiara - 6-1, 6-2.
6. Aaron Saperstein (B) def. Sayed Qureshi - 3-6, 7-6 (3), 10-6.

Doubles
1. Arce/Murali (SB) def. Denefrio/DiChiara - 8-3.
2. Haulos/Nurmi (SB) def. Jacobs/Salam - 8-4.
3. Price/Qureshi (SB) def. Menezes/Saperstein - 8-6.

Men's Lacrosse
March 22
Bucknell 13, Holy Cross 4
Score by period 1 2 3 4 Tot.

Holy Cross	2	0	2	-	4
Bucknell	2	5	3	-	13

Softball
March 22
Bucknell 3, Siena 2
Score by Innings R H E

Siena	100 000 1 -	2	6	2
Bucknell	000 003 X -	3	2	0

March 22
Siena, Bucknell
Score by Innings R H E

Siena	100 001 0 -	2	4	0
Bucknell	000 000 0 -	0	4	1

March 23
Siena 6, Bucknell 2
Score by Innings R H E

Siena	000 150 0 -	6	9	1
Bucknell	100 010 0 -	2	7	0

Softball
March 23
Siena 8, Bucknell 3 (11 innings)
Scoreby Innings R H E

Siena	030 000 000 05 -	8	11	0
Bucknell	100 000 200 00 -	3	7	5

Baseball
March 22
Bucknell 10, Bloomsburg 6
Score by Innings R H E

Bucknell	020 301 4 -	10	9	3
Bloomsburg	100 200 3 -	6	7	0

March 22
Bucknell 16 , Bloomsburg 7
Score by Innings R H E

Bucknell	040 010 (11) -	16	8	2
Bloomsburg	030 020 2 -	7	7	4

March 23
Bucknell 9, Lock Haven 3
Score by Innings R H E

Lock Haven	000 003 0 -	3	5	5
Bucknell	002 034 X -	9	9	0

March 23
Bucknell 10, Lock Haven 1
Score by Innings R H E

Lock Haven	000 100 0 -	1	3	1
Bucknell	130 141 X -	10	9	3

March 23
Villanova 4, Bucknell 2
Score by Innings R H E

Lock Haven	000 100 0 -	1	3	1
Bucknell	130 141 X -	10	9	3

Women's Water Polo
March 21
Bucknell 9, Michigan State 7
Michigan State 1 2 2 2 - 7
Bucknell 0 4 2 3 - 9

March 22
Bucknell 12, Slippery Rock 7
Slippery Rock 1 1 4 1 - 7
Bucknell 5 2 3 2 - 12

March 22
Bucknell 8, Gannon 2
Gannon 0 1 1 0 -- 2
Bucknell 2 2 3 1 -- 8

March 23
Bucknell 14, Siena 4
Siena 0 0 3 1 -- 4
Bucknell 3 4 4 3 -- 14

Calendar

Women's Water Polo
vs. George Washington
Saturday, March 29
Noon
vs. Salem International
Saturday, March 29
4:30 p.m.

Women's Lacrosse
vs. Holy Cross
Saturday, March 29
Noon

Women's Water Polo
vs. Princeton
Saturday, March 29
11:00 a.m.
vs. Villanova
Saturday, March 29
2:00 p.m.

Men's Lacrosse
vs. Hobart
Saturday, March 29
3:30 p.m.

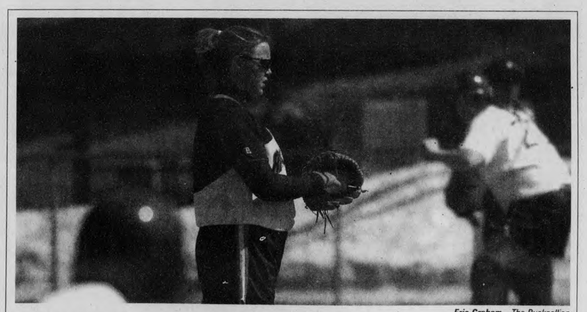
Softball
vs. Holy Cross
Saturday, March 29
11:00 a.m.

Softball
vs. Holy Cross
Sunday, March 30
12:00 p.m.

Men's Tennis
at Navy
Saturday, March 29
Noon

Baseball
vs. Holy Cross
Saturday, March 29
Noon

Baseball
vs. Holy Cross
Sunday, March 30
Noon



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Julie Williams '06 gains her second win of the season. Williams has helped lead the Bison to their only two victories.

Bison pick up second victory

By Michelle Martin
Feature Layout Editor

The Bison softball team won its first game of the season with a 3-2 victory over Siena on March 22.

The Orange and Blue were down 1-0 after the first inning, but Julie Williams '06 kept the deficit low as she pitched out of a jam. There was only one base runner over the next five innings for either team.

The Bison broke the streak, as Gill reached on an error and Jennifer Ross '05 singled to break up Siena pitcher Tisha Salamino's perfect game. Alyssa Schneebaum '06 sacrificed Gill and Ross into scoring position. Pompeii grounded out to first, allowing Gill to cross the plate to tie the game. Ross scored the go-ahead run on an error. Stackhouse then doubled in Kristen Potts '05, who had reached base on the error, for the insurance run.

Siena scored once more in the top of the seventh, but Bucknell held on for the 3-2 win. The Bison committed no errors in the game, and Julie Williams '06 picked up her second pitching victory.

In Saturday's nightcap, they lost 2-0. Siena again scored first, but this time did not allow the Bison back into the game. The Orange and Blue had a chance to score in the bottom of the sixth, when Pompeii led off with a single and was sacrificed by Potts to second. Stackhouse was walked, but a fielder's choice and a pop-up ended the rally.

The Bison lost both games to Siena last Sunday, dropping to 2-14 on the season. In the second game of the day, they were down 3-1 heading into the bottom of the seventh inning.

A Kris Devore '06 single and a Meredith Gill '03 walk, followed by sophomore Kelli Haskins' sacrifice fly, set up the scoring play. Jill Pompeii '05 nailed a two-RBI single to send the game into extra innings. Neither team could score a run until the top of the 11th, when two Siena hits and two Bucknell errors helped the Saints tack on five runs. The deficit was too great to overcome, as the final verdict was 8-3.

Earlier in the day, the Bison dropped a 6-2 decision. They got on the board first with one run in the bottom of the first inning. Angela Stackhouse '04 hit a two-out single to left field and then stole second base to get into scoring position. Lauren Wible '06 capitalized on the opportunity and singled in Stackhouse. Siena knotted the game at one in the top of the fourth inning and then opened it up with five more runs in the fifth. The Bison got one run back in the bottom of the fifth, but it was not enough.

With regard to the overall series, the Bison picked up their defense and continued to work on their offense.

"The pitchers threw really well, and we played good defense for the most part," Stackhouse said.

She also said that they are working hard on "stringing together hits to score runs," rather than the several scattered hits they have been getting.

The Bison return to action at noon tomorrow, with the first two games of a four-game league series against Holy Cross. They look to improve upon the weaknesses they showed in the Siena series to add more wins to their record.

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Men's lax improves to 4-2

By Pat Evans
Sports Editor

The 19th-ranked Bison men's lacrosse team bounced back from a 14-8 loss to No. 3 Maryland, dominating its home openers against Mount St. Mary's and Holy Cross, winning 16-4 and 13-4, respectively. The Orange and Blue are now 4-2 overall, and the win over Holy Cross gives them their first league victory, putting them at 1-0 in the Patriot League.

The Bison jumped to an early 6-0 lead on Mount St. Mary's with five different goal scorers tallying the first five goals of the game. The team took advantage of Mount St. Mary's penalty situations, scoring five extra-man goals and cruising to a 9-1 halftime lead.

Chris Cara '05 added two assists to complement his four goals and teamed up with Wes Fetcher '04 to lead the offensive attack for the Bison.

"Everyone played really well," Cara said. "The midfield got us the ball and that made it very easy for the offense."

Head Coach Sid Jamieson said that the key to the game was the Bison's excellent job of riding Mount St. Mary's. The Bison were able to capitalize on opportunities when Mount St. Mary's goalie was out of the net.

"When you are able to ride well, you are not only able to regain possession of the ball, but with them spread out, it makes it hard for them to regroup," Jamieson said. "That demoralized them and gave us something to feed off."

Blaise Fletcher '04 and Justin Slama '03 in particular did a great job defensively and were able to give the ball to the scorers for the Bison, with Slama even scoring himself, something that is unusual for a midfielder.

"It's great to see those guys be able to run the field with great skills," Jamieson said. "When you've got a defense that can do that, it's very dangerous."

After the Bison were up 14-1, they cleared the bench and gave some players the opportunity to play who normally don't get the chance.

"Something that I've never done is to rub a team's nose into the ground," Jamieson said. "It's not about that. It's about sportsmanship, and there was no need to keep our best players in after a certain point in that game."

The Bison were able to clear their bench early on in the Holy Cross game as well, but not until they were woken up by an early Crusaders 2-1 lead. After two early goals, the Bison defense did not allow another until midway through the fourth quarter.

"We came out really flat and were maybe a little bit overconfident," Cara said. "But eventually we woke up and got our game plan going."

Once again the success was due to the Bison's ability to prevent Holy Cross from clearing the ball. The Orange and Blue saw great efforts from their midfielders and riders and this was what propelled their offense.

"This was not a great game for us offensively," Jamieson said. "But the riding game compensated for what we were unable to do on offense."

Midfielder John Terracciono '03 showed the Bison's ability to do this when he scored on a long shot to make the score 4-2. Right after that Cara stole a ball at the offensive end of the field and put one in. Slama then took the ball from the goalie and passed to Cara for another quick one, giving the Bison a comfortable four-goal lead early on.

Maybe the most impressive example of the Bison's versatility was when Fletcher made a coast-to-coast run with the ball to score his first career goal and cap off a 10-0 run for the Bison.

Dennis Geraghty '03 tallied four goals in the win and Cara added three. Andrew Copelan '03 contributed a career-high four assists in the win.

The Bison now have the biggest game of the season coming up this weekend against Hobart. Last year Hobart won the Patriot League contest defeating the Bison in the three-way tie scheme to earn an NCAA Tournament bid. This year the Bison know what they have to do to come out on top and win the league outright to gain the tournament berth.

"We have to have very good control of the ball and be very careful with our possessions," Jamieson said. "We are playing a school that at one point won 12 national championships in a row, so this is a national powerhouse of a program. We're going to have to be at the top of our game."

The Bison don't view the game as seeking revenge on last year's loss. The players do know that if they don't win this, they probably will not get into the NCAA Tournament, which has been their main focus for this season.

"This game is absolutely huge and would almost make or break our season," Cara said. "We're playing well right now and we expect to win."

Courtesy of Athletic Communications

Justin Sussman '03 guards the net in a previous game. Sussman recorded 10 saves for the Bison against Mount St. Mary's in the team's home opener on March 19 and eight saves against Holy Cross on Saturday.

Women's lacrosse scores first P.L. triumph

By Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

The women's lacrosse team bounced back after losing a heartbreaker to Lafeyette to claim an 11-3 win over Lehigh on Wednesday. The team demonstrated their tenacity despite bus trouble that delayed their arrival at Lehigh.

"This season could get very interesting and we are definitely up to the challenge. I think yesterday's win was a huge turning point especially after the loss on Saturday. It was great to see it all come together and it was something we all needed," Nichole Kallis '03 said.

The Bison jumped to a 7-0 lead in the first half against Lehigh and never let the Patriot League foe get within striking distance. The team scored four goals within the game's first 10 minutes, including two by Amy Hasler '04, one by Elizabeth Schuster '04 and one by Suzanne Raffaele '03.

Raffaele netted her second goal of the game 17 minutes, 11 seconds into the game. In addition to her two goals, Raffaele also had two assists during the game.

By the end of the half, the Bison had a seven-point lead, capped by Hasler's third goal of the day.

The team continued to pound out points in the second half, as Meredith Wright '04 and Andrea Paraud '05 scored to make it 9-0. Lehigh didn't score until 15:16 into the second half.

Lehigh attempted to scratch its way back into the game, but the Bison scored two more goals of their own to put the game out of reach for their opponents. Paraud scored her second goal and Amy Lee '05 put on in the net as well.

The Orange and Blue outshot Lehigh 24-23, earning their first Patriot League win of the season. Kallis was solid in the goal, stopping 12 shots and only allowing three to pass her.

The victory was especially sweet after the frustrating start to the season.

"For our game against Lehigh the girls had something to prove," Head Coach Randall Flynn said. "Not to the fans, or the school, or the other teams in the league, but to themselves: that they are a very strong team and are renewed from last year."

The team's efforts certainly proved that the Bison are determined to overcome anything throw their way.

"The girls pushed through all the distractions of the day to play one of the most well executed games I have ever seen in women's lacrosse," Flynn said.

The win pushed the team's record up to 2-4 and 1-2 in the Patriot League. It was an encouraging win for the team, especially after a rough loss to Lafayette on Saturday.

A second half rally from the defending Patriot League Champion Leopards handed the Bison their second league loss of the season as they fell 8-7.

The Orange and Blue jumped to an early lead, scoring three unanswered goals in the first five minutes. Hasler, Wright and Victoria Field '06 each contributed a goal to the scoring streak.

Hasler scored again, making the score 4-1, but Lafayette answered with 7:53 left in the half. Laura Nuss '04 snuck in another score with just 8 seconds on the clock to give the Orange and Blue a 5-2 halftime lead.

Lafayette didn't hesitate in reducing the deficit in the second half, scoring just 1:08 into the frame. Although Raffaele netted one just a minute later to regain the Bison's three-point lead, Lafayette went on a scoring tear with three unanswered goals to even the score at 6.

Cora Preston '05 soon made it 7-6 in favor of the Bison, but with 14:18 remaining, Lafayette netted the tying goal, and at 13:46 it jumped ahead 8-7, where the score remained for the duration of the contest.

The Bison only got six shots off in the second half, compared to 10 in the first, while the Leopards managed 17 shots in the second. Lafayette outshot Bucknell 28-16 over the course of the game.

"This past Saturday's loss to Lafayette was particularly disappointing to the team because they had worked so hard and focused so much on improving themselves," Flynn said.

After the uplifting victory over Lehigh, the Bison hope to keep things rolling when the squad takes a shot at another Patriot League competitor when they face off against Holy Cross on March 29. The home game begins at noon.

Flynn looks forward to the rest of the season.

"The great thing is, the girls are responding well to the many changes we have made and are clicking more and more with every practice," Flynn said.

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Bison look forward to P.L. regular season

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The win went to starting pitcher Kevin Miller '04, who allowed six hits and three earned runs over six strong innings. Miller is off to an excellent start this season after pitching a nine-inning shutout of Harvard during spring break, a feat that earned him the Bull Run Athlete of the Week title.

The second game saw the Bison produce a season-high 16 runs, 11 of which came during an electric seventh-inning rally.

With the score knotted at 5, the Bison broke the game open. Phil Bunting '05 scored on an error and Batterson scored on a Capece single. After recording two outs, relief pitcher Mike Kelchak walked Hirschberg, Walter and Stoll, scoring Capece and Moss.

Bunting and Capece both tripled, contributing five RBIs to the inning. Moss finished up the scoring with a two-run homer.

Bloomsburg attempted a rally of its own, but the team only managed two runs before co-captain R.J. Grant '03 shut down the Huskies' effort and sealed the victory. Grant was on the mound for the Bison for the entire seven innings, giving up eight hits and six earned runs and striking out four. It was his second win of the season.

Grant was pleased with the team's weekend, but knows that the crucial games are down the road, as the Bison set their sights on Patriot League opponents.

"These are games that you're expected to win, and we did a good job of securing four victories," Grant said. "The real season starts this weekend against Holy Cross and we plan on surprising some people that have written us off after last season's disappointing campaign."

Burns also noted the importance of the upcoming series with Holy Cross.

"Our early success can only be attributed to each player's hard work, but we still have some business to take care of in the league, starting this weekend with Holy Cross," Burns said.

Ciccione feels confident that the team can re-establish its dominance in the league.

> *"I am extremely proud of the way that our team has bounced back from last year's disappointing season. We have all worked hard in the offseason and we feel that we have something to prove to all of the people that predicted us to finish fifth in the league this year."*
> —**Kevin Burns** *'03*

"We are looking forward to the Patriot League season since we have a lot of teams to pay back from last year," Ciccione said. "If we continue to progress the way we have, there is no reason we should not once again be vying for the Patriot League Championship this May."

The Bison got a late start to their season after 10 cancellations due to harsh winter conditions. The squad did not let the delay halt its momentum.

"The guys have stayed upbeat and have really made the most of their opportunities," Ciccione said.

The team finally saw some action when it traveled to Bradenton, Fla., over spring break.

The Bison opened the season with a loss against St. Bonaventure, but went on to defeat Harvard, University of Rhode Island and Yale in consecutive wins, eventually finishing the trip with a 4-4 mark.

Grant said that spring break games are most important for the Bison.

"We knew it was important to get off to a strong start," Grant said. "We beat some solid teams in Florida with a combination of solid pitching and timely hitting. Most importantly, the spring trip gave us the confidence we needed to begin the season."

That confidence has certainly been bolstered by the team's recent wins and will continue to fuel the team as it heads to Holy Cross for a pair of weekend games.

"I am really pleased at our team's progress to start this season," Allen said. "We have all worked really hard in our preparation for our upcoming Patriot League games."

Both games at noon, the Bison face Holy Cross on March 29 and 30.

"We are looking forward to beginning the Patriot League season this weekend with the goal of putting ourselves back in contention for a league title," Depew said. "The 20-game league schedule is what we focus on as the most important part of our season. We need to finish in the top three to participate in the post season tournament."

Women's tennis suffers first loss

Women are 8-1 heading into Patriot League matches

By Pat Evans
Sports Editor

The women's tennis team suffered its first loss of the season to Pittsburgh 4-3, but bounced back to beat Duquesne 4-3. Earlier in the week the Bison swept Loyola 7-0. The team is now 8-1 as it heads into Patriot League matches.

The men's team continues to have difficulty, dropping matches to St. Bonaventure 5-2 and Buffalo 6-1. The Bison are confident that they can pick up two league wins against Lafayette and Lehigh to salvage something from an otherwise disappointing season.

The women's 7-0 win over Loyola was much closer than the score indicates. It took all three sets for five of the six singles players to win, and the doubles contests were just as challenging with the Orange and Blue pulling out two of the three to gain the point.

"I was confident going in that we could win, but I never dreamed of us beating them 7-0," Head Coach Rebecca Helt said. "It just makes it more obvious that we are competing really well right now."

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> —**Rebecca Helt**, *tennis head coach*

Nadezda Curcic '05 and Veronica Brown '06 were both 6-4 first-set losers but rallied back to take the wins. Samantha Berthod '04 also dropped her first set before rounding out the Bison scoring with a 5-7, 6-0, 6-3 win.

"I think it's our desire to win that's helping us close out close matches," Berthod said of the win over Loyola.

The Bison's next matches against Pittsburgh proved to be more difficult as a 4-3 loss ended their seven-game winning streak. The matches again came down to the final sets but this time the Bison were unable to finish them off.

"Pittsburgh is a very solid and very deep team. And we didn't perform as well as we have been in the spring," Helt said. "If we had pulled together mentally we could have won, but we didn't do that this time."

Rheanna Gaskin '06 and Berthod were the Bison's sole singles winners. Gaskin won 6-4, 6-0 in the fifth flight, while Berthod won 6-1, 6-3. Berthod improved to 8-0 on the season with the win.

"I think being named captain has helped me play a lot better because I see that I need to focus on how to set a good example for the rest of the team," Berthod said.

The Bison bounced back from the Pittsburgh loss to take care of Duquesne 4-3 the next day.

The team won three singles matches and got the doubles point as Curcic teamed up with Brown, and Jill Wurzburg '03 joined Berthod to finish the day with a win.

"We still didn't play all that well, but we pulled out the doubles win, which was crucial for the 4-3 overall win," Helt said.

The men's team has continued to struggle, dropping 5-2 to St. Bonaventure this past Saturday. The Bison's sole winners were Joe Menezes '05 and Aaron Saperstein '06. Later in the day proved to be just as frustrating as the Bison lost to Buffalo 6-1.

Asher Salam '06 was the Bison's sole singles winner in the match. Saperstein and Menezes joined up as a doubles team to win, but Buffalo captured the remaining two matches to take the point. Menezes and Gerald DiChiara '05 gave their opponents all they could handle in the fourth and fifth flights of singles play, respectively, but in the end were defeated.

"Our first goal is to get by Lafayette and Lehigh, which we think we can do," Helt said. "We were picked to finish last in the Patriot League and we are going to do everything we can to make sure that doesn't happen."

The women are in action on Thursday at Mount St. Mary's, while the men travel to Navy and American this weekend.

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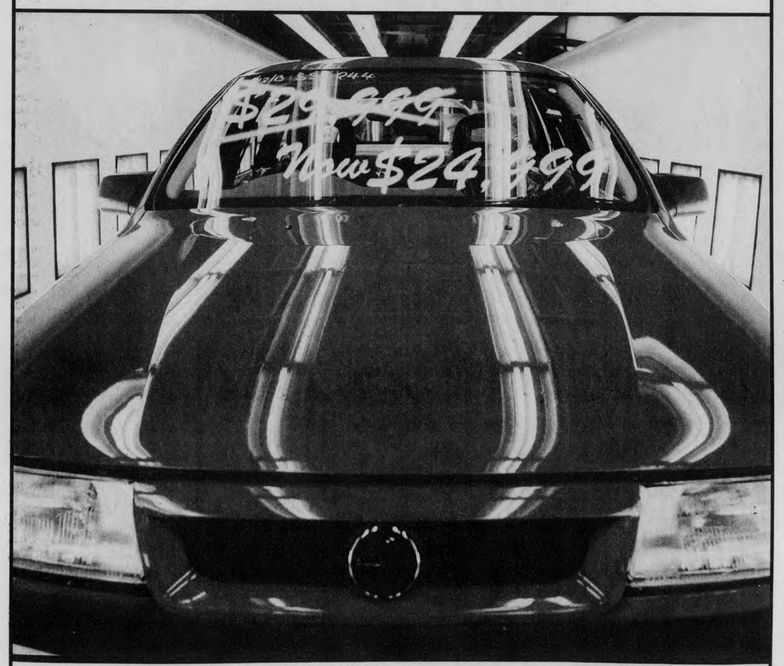

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Mark Project brings Gospel to life

By Dave Allen
Staff Writer

Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship brought the Mark Project to the University for a second year on March 20. This dramatic interpretation of the Gospel of Mark attracted a large audience to the Terrace Room as two actors gave stirring performances, bringing to life a centuries-old text detailing the adult life and ministry of Jesus Christ.

Actors Daniel Jones and Alison Siewert performed on a simple stage with very few props or set pieces. Rather than surrounding the message of the Gospel with the adornment of costumes or scenery, Jones and Siewert let the text speak for itself as an example of who Jesus is and the relevance that his teachings still have today.

The traditional text was periodically interspersed with dramatic "testimonials" from characters connected with the stories of the miracles that Jesus performed. These interruptions were sometimes humorous, but always provided valuable insight into the meaning of the text. The tone of much of the first half was similar to that of "Godspell," a popular musical from the 1970s that also retells gospel lessons.

Some of the most notable narrations were from the disciple Simon's wife after he decided to follow Jesus, from a leper healed by Jesus and from the man ordered to carry Jesus' cross for him before his crucifixion. These testimonials gave depth and personality to characters and stories that have remained largely the same through the many versions of the Bible.

The most memorable scene of the first act was the portrayal of the story of Jesus healing the paralyzed man. In the scene, Jones played one of the man's friends who lowered him through the roof and Siewert played the wife of the man who owned the house. Jones' character, seeming doubtful, said, "It wasn't the first healer we visited, just the most overcrowded."

Questioning the safety of lowering the man through the roof, Siewerts character said, "Bring him in from up there?" Both characters were amazed, though, when the paralyzed man picked up his mat and walked away as Jesus had commanded him.

After intermission, the second half of the program began in the same way that the first half ended; Jones portrayed Jesus asking his disciples, "Who do people say I am?" and then, "Who do you say I am?"

Jones said that one of the motivations in giving this performance is, "How can we get people in and get them to ask big questions?"

The second half contained many dramatic portrayals of well-known scripture lessons, including the Last Supper, Jesus' betrayal, Peter's denial of Jesus and Jesus' crucifixion. The lighting highlighted several of the scene changes in the program's second half—blue light for Jesus praying in the garden of Gethsemane and red and amber light for the scene where Peter angrily denies knowing Jesus. The tone of the performance grew visibly more emotional and the actors delivered their lines with greater urgency as Jesus' crucifixion was foreshadowed.

The portrayal of the crucifixion was the most emotional and wrenching scene of the production, as Jones stood crying out with his arms extended while Siewert delivered a grave narration of Jesus' treatment at the hands of the Roman soldiers. After the show, several audience members said that this was the scene that was most memorable for them. The performance came to a sudden and silent conclusion soon after the portrayal of Jesus' body being removed from the tomb, and audience members were left to meditate on what they had just witnessed.

Siewert and Jones are both employed by the National Chapter of Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship. Jones said they came up with the idea for the Mark Project as a venture in investigative Bible study.

"We were looking for a fresh approach," Jones said.

The project was first performed at Franklin and Marshall College in Lancaster, Pa., then at other colleges in Pennsylvania. In the past year, Siewert and Jones have taken their production on tour to other places, including California and Toronto. According to Erin Michener '03, an organizer of the event through the University's Inter-Varsity group, the project is "getting a lot of people excited, so we are getting some discussion groups organized."

Both actors were available for questions after the performance, and many students stayed after to discuss Scripture and their opinions of the project.

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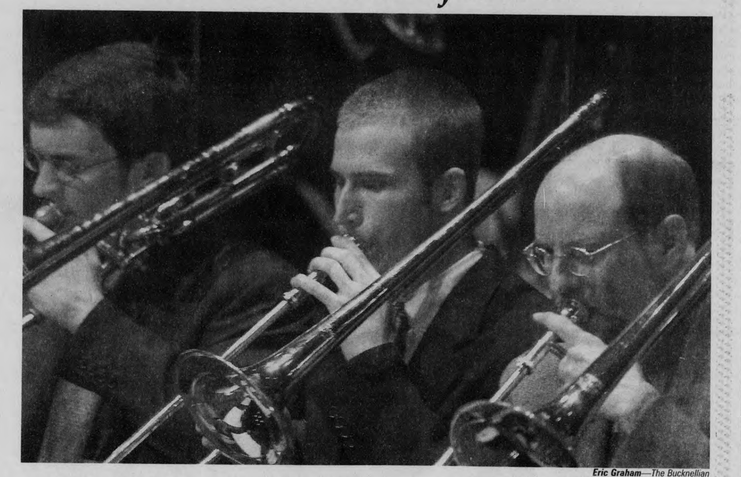
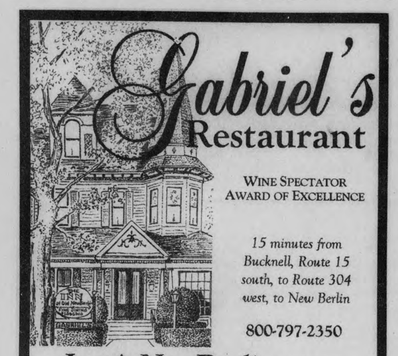


Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Bucknell's Jazz Band had a concert in the Weis Center last Sunday afternoon. Ben Colby '03 (center) and Dave Allen '06 (left) play the trombone with Lewisburg community members.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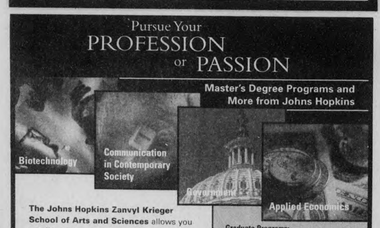

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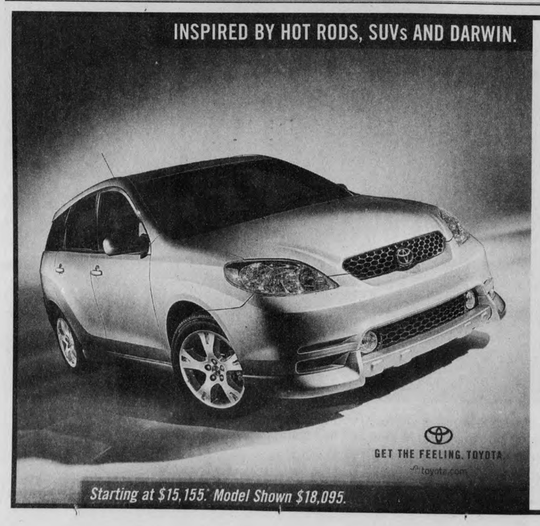
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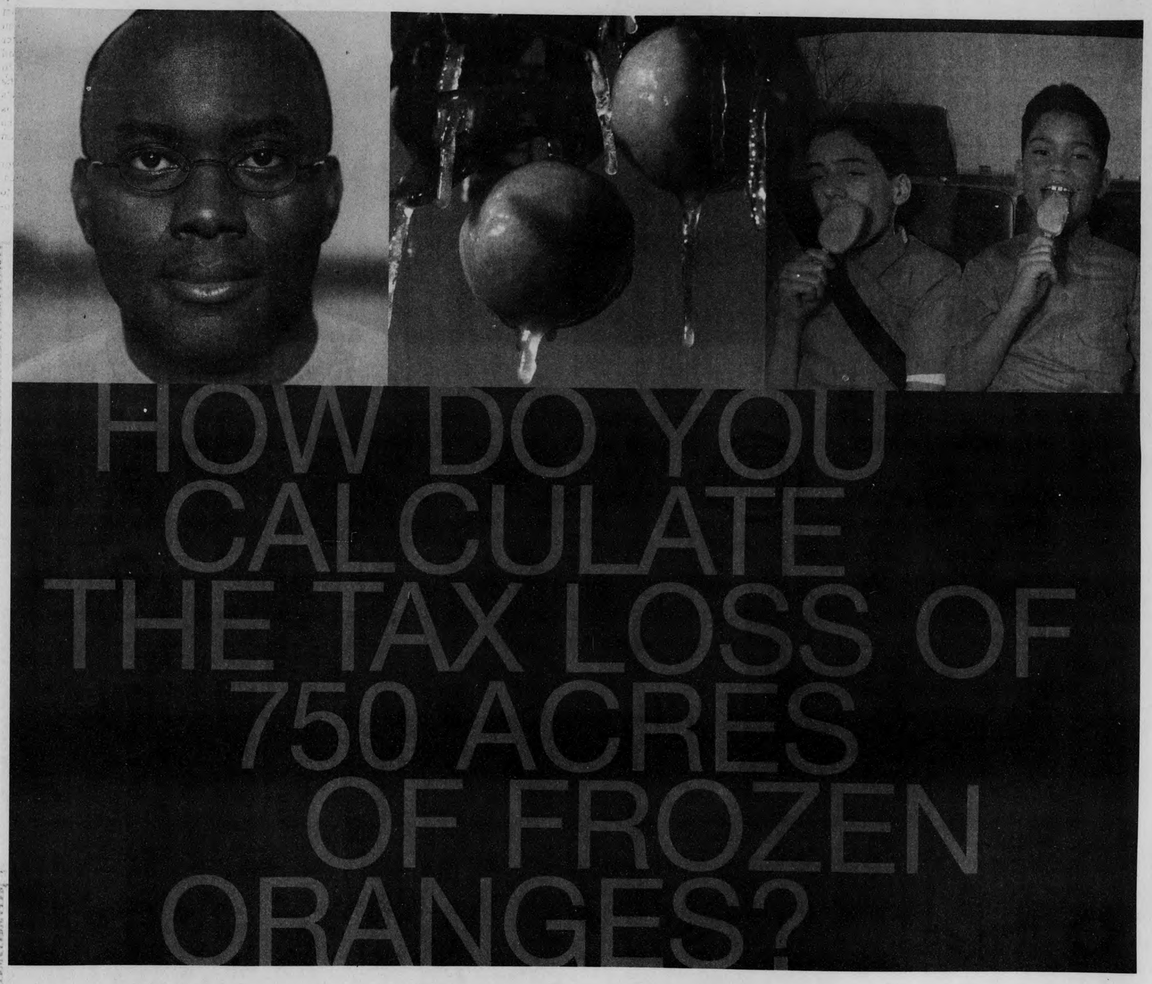

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Arts & Entertainment

Kings of Leon rock 'n' roll

Band combines two genres to create a new wave of classical rock

By Josh Herwitt
Staff Writer

❖ CD Review

With the majority of the modern rock world fusing multiple styles and elements to develop an innovative, hybrid sound, Kings of Leon revives an aged rock movement combining the sounds of Southern blues and Sixties rock 'n' roll. This new wave of Southern, classic rock dominates the band's 2003 compact disc, "Holy Roller Novocaine."

Tennessee natives Caleb Followill (lead singer, rhythm guitar), Nathan Followill (drums), Jared Followill (bass) and Matthew Followill (lead guitar), formed their garage band two and a half years ago and hit the music world with their 2002 signing with RCA Records. Moving to Nashville at 18, brothers Caleb, Nathan and Jared began writing songs, later adding first cousin Matthew to the group.

Just under 16 minutes long, "Holy Roller Novocaine" features five short songs. "Molly's Chambers" and "Wasted Time," tracks one and two on the EP, create a mixture of Southern rock 'n' roll and blues. "California Waiting" has a traditional classic rock rhythm with captivating, controlled vocals inviting listeners to sing and hum along. The slow pace and intricate guitar focus of "Wicker Chair" contributes to the overall assortment. The CD concludes with the title track, "Holy Roller Novocaine," the longest of the five songs. The steady beat and Southern guitar round out the CD with a simple yet traditional rock feel that interests new fans in hearing more.

This five-song CD was released Feb. 18. The band continues to work hard and will soon record its first album in Los Angeles with producer Ethan Johns.

Midtown at Uptown

Monica McMurrer—The Bucknellian

Uptown had a full house this past weekend with Midtown's jam band performance. The group formed in New Jersey and were visiting the University for the first time.

Comedian cracks up the crowd

Michael Collins' stand-up comedy involved many topics, from Iraq to TV

By Josh Herwitt
Staff Writer

❖ Comedy Review

The multitude of jokes, silly facial expressions and playful gestures of stand-up comedian Michael Collins left many students laughing hysterically on their way home from the Bison Friday night.

Collins, who was born in Harrisburg, Pa., and now resides in Gainesville, Fla., performs primarily in small Southern clubs. Most notably, Collins has performed on ESPN and on other television presentations.

His stand-up was an assemblage of his own personal experiences, opinions and advice on subjects such as sexual relations and the racial issues around the world. He discussed the recent matters of war with Iraq and emphatically included his obsession with Discovery Channel, Animal Planet, TLC and other education television channels. His subjects of comic taboo in specific instances were especially hilarious to those in attendance.

Along with these subjects, Collins altered his voice throughout the performance to add further comic relief. These spontaneous transformations in Collins' voice often resulted in fits of laughter from students.

On the whole, Collins' stand-up performance was not only amusing and hilarious, but also provocative in his discussion of several significant, mundane issues. The performance was creative, thoughtful and witty.

As students left the Bison at the conclusion of the Campus Activities and Programs- and Activities and Campus Events-sponsored show, their smiles were sufficient evidence to indicate the quality of Collins' work.

Audience travels back in time with Bach Choir concert

By Julianna Pietak
Senior Writer

❖ Concert Review

The Bach Choir of Bethlehem, accompanied by the Bach Festival Orchestra, gave a concert Saturday Night in the Weis Center.

The signature piece of the evening, a sacred cantata by Johann Sebastian Bach, began the night's program. According to program notes, this cantata went through several forms and revisions before becoming the familiar piece that it is today. The title, "Ich hatte viel Bekummernis," translates to "I had so much distress." The German/English translations for this, as well as all the lyrics for of the evening's pieces, were provided in a program supplement for the audience.

Photos by Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian

The Bach Festival Orchestra performs "Ich hatte viel Bekummermis" in the Weis Center. The group, performing with the Bach Choir of Bethlehem, received a standing ovation Saturday night.

The cantata began with an instrumental section, or sinfonia, performed by the orchestra. The introduction featured a solo by oboist player Mary Watt. The entrance of the chorus, singing the piece's title, followed this sinfonia. Although the choir contains over 104 local volunteer singers, its sound was clear and subdued.

Impressed by the choir, audience member Mark Wilkins said, "One word to describe it is 'bright'—all their music had this bright quality."

After the song performed by the full chorus, soloist Kendra Colton was featured in a soprano aria, supported only by the simple sound of the strings. A minimal solo texture was continued in the next section, highlighting Frederick Urrey in a tenor recitative. The recitative blended into a tenor aria, which is more virtuosic and song-like in nature. The chorus entered again, with the same blend as before, ending the first section.

The second part, the Zweiter Teil, began with a recitative and aria between bass, performed by Mark Andrew Cleveland, and soprano. The use of the interplay between these two voices created a more dramatic sound with the focus on the two soloists. After the duet, the large chorus came in for a darker "Chorus with chorale" based on a traditional chorale hymn. A bright tenor aria was followed by a powerful and dramatic choral ending.

The second large piece of the evening was a Mass by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. The combination of these two great composers was acknowledged by Stephanie Wright '06.

"It was really neat to hear Bach and Mozart together," Wright said. "It's a combination I haven't heard that often."

The form of the Mozart piece, "Great Mass in C Minor K427," sets the five traditional parts of the Roman Catholic Mass to music. Mozart began with the "Kyrie," sung by the chorus, with a soprano solo performed by Rosa Lamoreaux. Her singing led into the dynamic and powerful full chorus piece, the "Gloria." Mozart added several other solos and large chorus numbers between the "Gloria" and the next Mass part, the "Credo."

The full chorus and orchestra, with a large bright sound, then performed the "Credo." Kendra Coiton performed a smooth and lyrical soprano aria. After this seemingly subdued moment, the chorus began once again with the final Mass part performed, the "Sanctus." The contrast between the power and volume of the two was dramatic. All four soloists were then highlighted a final time in a quartet that featured soprano, mezzo-soprano, tenor and bass. The chorus then joined, ending with a sound emphasis on the lyrics, "Osanna in excelsis!" which translates to "Hosanna in the highest!"

In addition to the two large pieces performed by the choir that evening, three of Bach's smaller songs, a double chorus, a chorale and aria and a final double chorus were performed.

The night's music had a stirring effect on the audience members, evident by the long standing ovation. Wilkins found the concert to be accurate and inspirational.

"It really took you back to the period," Wilkins said. "It was so accurately done you knew what it felt like to be back then in the 17th century. You could see the great influence that religion had on them then, but above everything, it was just very ... ethereal."

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31% *don't support it*

20% *unsure or mixed feelings*

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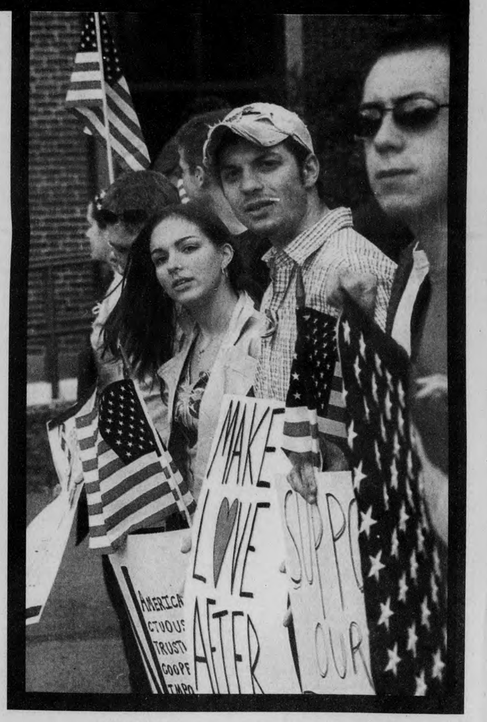

One step forward, two steps back...

A look at the United States, Iraq and how these two countries are once again at war

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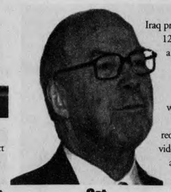

■ **Dec.7, 2002**
Iraq provides U.N . weapons inspectors with 12,000 pages of information comprising a "currently accurate, full and complete declaration" of the regime's chemical, biological and nuclear weapons programs. Two weeks later, chief weapons inspector chairman Hans Blix declared the report was "essentially a reorganized version" of information provided in 1997 and doesn't prove Iraq has abandoned efforts to build weapons of mass destruction.

■ **Feb. 5, 2003**
U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell presents the U.N. Security Council with evidence that Iraq is concealing their efforts to produce more weapons of mass destruction.

■ **Feb. 15, 2003**
Massive peace demonstrations take place around the world.

■ **March 19, 2003**
Two days after issuing an ultimatum to Hussein's regime to disarm or depart, Bush announces that coalition forces have begun striking Iraqi military targets. "These are opening stages of what will be a broad and concerted campaign. More than 35 countries are giving crucial support....Every nation in this coalition has chosen to bear the duty and share the honor of serving in our common defense."

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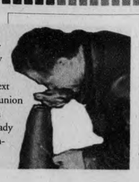
■ **Sept. 12, 2002**
Bush challenges the United Nations to confront the "grave and gathering danger" of Iraq—or stand aside as the United States and like-minded nations act. The U.N. Security Council begins drafting a new resolution to compel Iraq to comply.

■ **Jan. 27, 2003**
U.N. inspectors discover 11 undeclared empty chemical warheads in Iraq on Jan. 16. The next day, In his state of the union address, President Bush announces that he is ready to attack Iraq even without a U.N. mandate.



■ **Feb. 24, 2003**
The United States, Britain and Spain propose a resolution to the U.N. Security Council to authorize use of military force against Iraq. France, Germany and Russia submit an informal counter-resolution to the Council arguing that there is "a real chance to the peaceful settlement of this crisis." The United States and Britain's intense lobbying efforts among the other U.N. Security Council members yield only four supporters. The United States decides not to call for a vote on the resolution.

News

Public Safety Log

Sunday, March 23

DISORDERLY CONDUCT/UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—A student security worker reported to Public Safety that there was a male lying on the ground between Leisure and Hulley Houses. After a foot pursuit from the side of Hulley House, the male was apprehended near the railroad tracks by a Public Safety Officer. Upon further investigation, the male was found to be a University student, under the age of 21, who admitted to consuming alcohol. He was cited for disorderly conduct, underage consumption, and failure to comply.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—Public Safety responded to a Bucknell West Mod to assist Lewisburg Police Department with a student who had consumed alcohol at an off-campus location although under the age of 21. Citation issued for underage consumption.

ASSIST POLICE—Public Safety responded to Moore Avenue to assist East Buffalo Township Police Department with a traffic stop of a vehicle with four males riding on the hood. All of the riders fled the scene. The driver was a student who was cited for disorderly conduct and having passengers on the exterior of the vehicle.

HAZARDOUS MATERIAL SPILL—Public Safety responded to Dana Engineering for the report of the spill of isopropyl alcohol due to a leaking tank valve. The Safety Manager responded to control and clean up the spill.

INFORMATION—Public Safety responded to Vedder Hall for the report of a damaged personal computer that appeared to have been thrown from a third floor window. No witnesses or suspects were located. The incident is under investigation.

Tuesday, March 25

ACT 64—Public Safety responded to a fire alarm at Delta Upsilon Fraternity. Upon arrival, it was determined that the alarm was activated in a third floor room. The odor of marijuana was detected in the room. Public Safety conducted a plain view search and observed a water bong and a pack of Zig Zag papers. A University student admitted to smoking marijuana. East Buffalo Township Police Department responded and cited the student for disorderly conduct. Charges will be filed for possession of drug paraphernalia.

HARASSMENT BY COMMUNICATION—A student reported to a Public Safety that she received a harassing phone call from an unknown male in her room at Hunt Hall. The incident is under investigation.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT—While conducting a fire alarm test at Larison Hall, Public Safety observed a University student with his door propped open aiming what appeared to be a gun at the door entrance. Upon investigation, it was determined to be a fake, black plastic gun. The gun was confiscated and the student was cited for disorderly conduct.

Wednesday, March 26

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—Public Safety responded to a fire alarm at Vaughan Literature caused by unknown person(s) activating a pull station, and removing a smoke detector for no reason. No witnesses or suspects could be located in a search of the building. The incident is under investigation.

SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY—Public Safety responded to the Bookstore for the report of a student who may have left without paying for merchandise. No charges filed at this time. The incident is being investigated.

Thursday, March 27

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—Public Safety responded to a fire alarm at Vaughan Literature caused by unknown person(s) activating a pull station, and removing a smoke detector for no reason. No witnesses or suspects could be located in a search of the building. The incident is under investigation.

FRATERNITY VIOLATIONS/UNREGISTERED SOCIAL EVENT/UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION (34 COUNTS) OPEN CONTAINER—While on routine patrol, Public Safety heard loud music, and observed 30-40 individuals drinking alcohol and playing beer pong in the basement of the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity. A male was also found sitting outside the basement door with an open container of beer in his hand. Upon investigation, it was determined that thirty-three students, and one 18-year-old, non-University student, were under the age of 21 and admitted to consuming alcohol. East Buffalo Township Police Department responded. One University student will be cited for having an open container and underage consumption, and the other students will be cited for underage consumption. Sigma Phi Epsilon will be cited for fraternity violations.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student contacted Public Safety and requested transportation to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment of an illness. A Student Health Services driver transported the student who later returned to campus.

FRATERNITY VIOLATIONS/UNREGISTERED SOCIAL EVENT—While on routine patrol, Public Safety heard loud music coming from the basement of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity. Upon further investigation, it was determined that 25-35 people were consuming alcohol and playing beer pong. Phi Psi will be cited for a fraternity violation and an unregistered social event.

Friday, March 28

MEDICAL TRANSPORT/UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—Public Safety responded to a restroom in Smith Hall for an underage female University student who was highly intoxicated and vomiting. The female was transported by ambulance to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room. She was cited for underage consumption and public drunkenness.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—While conducting a party check at Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, Public Safety observed a student with an open can of beer. Upon investigation, Public Safety determined the intoxicated male to be under the age of 21 years. A citation was issued for underage consumption.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—While on patrol, Public Safety stopped a male non-University student, under the age of 21, without a wristband, carrying a piece of luggage belonging to a University student. East Buffalo Township Police Department was notified and cited the male for underage possession and underage consumption. Charges of theft of moveable property and receiving stolen property are pending by East Buffalo Township Police Department.

Saturday, March 29

ALCOHOL VIOLATION/OPEN CONTAINER—R&P Security notified Public Safety of a male carrying an open container of beer without a proper wristband. Suspect was identified as a student and cited for open container violation.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION/FALSE IDENTIFICATION—While on routine patrol near the Administrative Services Production Center, Public Safety observed two males hiding in the bushes and one male urinating on the ground. Lewisburg Police Department responded. A visitor provided false identification and was cited for underage consumption and false identification. A designated driver was located to drive the males back to Lycoming College.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—While on routine foot patrol a Public Safety Officer observed a male carrying a carr of beer. Upon investigation it was determined that he was a University student and that he was under the age of 21. He was cited for underage consumption and an open container violation.

PROPERTY DAMAGE—Public Safety responded to Swartz Hall for the report of a broken window. No witnesses or suspects could be located in a search of the area.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT—While on routine foot patrol, Public Safety observed one male University student urinating by the fence behind Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity. He was cited for disorderly conduct.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION/PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS—A Public Safety responded to Larison Hall for the report of a male passed out in the bathroom. Upon arrival, the male was responsive. He was identified as a student who had consumed alcohol although under the age of 21. The student refused medical treatment and was cited by Milton Police Department and Public Safety for underage consumption and public drunkenness.

INFORMATION—Public Safety responded to Swartz Hall for the report of an unconscious male. Upon investigation, it was determined that the male was a highly intoxicated visitor. East Buffalo Township Police Department responded. Citations were issued for public drunkenness.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION/ALCOHOL VIOLATION/OPEN CONTAINER—Public Safety responded to a call from R&P Security for a pedestrian stop for an open container violation. Upon investigation, it was found that the suspect was an underage guest of a student. East Buffalo Township Police responded and issued a citation for underage consumption and open container violation.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION/DISORDERLY CONDUCT—Public Safety witnessed two male individuals carrying open containers of beer. Upon investigation, it was determined that one male was an underage student and was cited for underage consumption. The other male, also identified as a student, was cited for underage consumption and disorderly conduct for being uncooperative and disorderly with the East Buffalo Township Police Department and Milton Police Department.

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—Public Safety responded to a fire alarm at Swartz caused by an unknown person(s) activating a pull station. No witnesses or suspects could be located in a search of the building. The incident is under investigation.

INSTITUTIONAL VANDALISM—An employee reported to Public Safety that an unknown person(s) wrote offensive graffiti on the exterior doors of the Bertrand Library. A facilities call out was made to campus painter and he will respond for the removal of the graffiti. The incident is under investigation.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—A student reported to Public Safety that an unknown person(s) had vandalized her room at Vedder Hall with many eggs. There was no visible damage but the Physical Plant was notified for clean up. The incident is under investigation.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that his unlocked vehicle was broken into and his wallet was removed. The vehicle was parked in Bucknell West MOD. The incident is under investigation.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that her unlocked vehicle was broken into and her car stereo was removed by an unknown person(s). The vehicle was parked in Bucknell West MOD. East Buffalo Township Police Department was notified. The incident is under investigation.

UNDERAGE POSSESSION—A student who was attempting to enter Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium possessed three cans of beer although under the age of 21. The beer was returned to Public Safety and citation issued for underage possession.

UNDERAGE POSSESSION—A student who was attempting to enter Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium possessed one can of beer, although under the age of 21. The beer was returned to Public Safety and a citation issued for possession of alcohol

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—While responding to an incident outside of Roberts Hall, Public Safety observed an intoxicated male who was visibly agitated. The student refused to provide identification and had to be restrained. East Buffalo Police Department responded. Citations were issued for underage consumption, public drunkenness and disorderly conduct. University officials responded to speak with the student.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION/ALCOHOL VIOLATION/OPEN CONTAINER—Public Safety responded to Fraternity Road at Kappa Delta Rho Fraternity for the report of a student with an open container of beer. Upon investigation, Public Safety determined that the student was intoxicated although under the age of 21. Citations were issued for underage consumption and open container.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION/ALCOHOL VIOLATION/OPEN CONTAINER—R&P Security notified Public Safety of a male carrying an open container of beer without a proper wristband. Suspect was identified as a non-University student who had consumed alcohol although under the age of 21. He was cited by East Buffalo Police Department for underage consumption and an open container violation.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT—Public Safety responded to Kappa Sigma Fraternity for the report of a disturbance. Several members of the fraternity were alarmed by the combative nature of one student. The student's wristbands were removed and he was advised that he could not participate in any additional House Party Events. A citation was issued for disorderly conduct.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—An R & P Security officer requested transportation for a student to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency room for treatment of anxiety related issues. A Student Health Services driver transported the student who later returned to campus.

BEER DRINKING GAMES—While responding to a fire alarm activation at Kappa Delta Rho Fraternity, Public Safety observed that unidentified individuals were playing beer drinking games. Citation issued to the Fraternity for participation in beer drinking games.

VEHICLE ACCIDENT—While on routine patrol, Public Safety observed a vehicle drive onto the railroad tracks near the Powerhouse. East Buffalo Township Police Department responded. The vehicle operator was not affiliated with the University but was intoxicated. Citation issued for driving under the influence of alcohol.

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—While responding to a fire alarm activation at Chi Phi Fraternity, a Public Safety officer observed a discharged fire extinguisher. No witnesses or suspects could be located. The incident is under investigation.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION/PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS/OPEN CONTAINER—Public Safety observed a male carrying an open container of beer without a proper wristband near Kappa Delta Rho Fraternity. Suspect was stopped and asked for identification. He refused to identify himself and said he was not a University student. He became uncooperative and East Buffalo Township Police Department responded to assist. It was determined, that the male was a University student who had consumed alcohol although under the age of 21. He was cited for underage consumption, public drunkenness, open container violation, disorderly conduct and failure to comply.

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—Public Safety responded to a fire alarm at Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity caused by unknown person(s) activating a pull station in the lobby. No witnesses or suspects could be located in a search of the building. The incident is under investigation.

Students study traffic safety of local area

By Elisabeth Salemme
News Editor

Students in Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering Richard McGinnis' Introduction to Transportation Engineering class have been testing the impact of traffic in three areas of Lewisburg for two months, including the impact of the potential erection of a Giant Supermarket on Route 15.

The eight groups in the class are working both in parallel and together. Three groups of students have been working on a traffic study for the potential Giant Supermarket, three groups are working on a traffic circulation study for the University and two groups are working on a traffic impact study for the safety of the intersection on North Fourth Street and Route 15.

The class will present its findings to the East Buffalo Township (EBT) Planning Commission on April 23. According to McGinnis, East Buffalo Township is the municipality that incorporates the majority of the campus.

"The work of Bucknell students under the guidance of Professor McGinnis will enable EBT residents to understand more fully the impact of this proposed project," said Associate Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering Tom DiStefano, who is active in the citizen's group.

The proposed Giant Supermarket would be located on Route 15 by River Road on the right-hand side. According to McGinnis, it was proposed that a traffic light be installed at the bottom of the hill on River Road. McGinnis said this is of serious concern, especially on icy days.

"The developer for Giant did a traffic impact study by a consultant and the township had an engineering firm review the studies done," McGinnis said. "We are somewhat reproducing that study and expanding it. My students are looking at a broader area to see the secondary impacts."

Jeffrey Loss is a member of the Rural Route Neighbors, a group that opposes a Giant Supermarket at the proposed location. He believes the original study done on traffic safety was flawed.

"The original study only addressed Route 15, and it passed by the back roads leading to the [Giant site]."

Loss said that prior to the study by McGinnis' class, the Rural Route Neighbors had requested that additional studies be conducted. He said the class' study is exactly what the Rural Route Neighbors were looking for.

"How can you make a decision when you don't have complete information? The original study did not give adequate information to address the impact on township roads," Loss said.

DiStefano said it is certain that traffic volume would increase significantly on EBT roads as potential customers travel from west of the site to the proposed store.

"The Union County Planning Commission has informed EBT supervisors that it expects significant traffic impact on local roads and has recommended that necessary safety improvements to the roads be identified by the township engineer," DiStefano said. "A more comprehensive study is needed to determine if the local roads can handle the increased traffic, if improvements are needed, safety concerns and the cost of completed necessary improvements."

Seth Pollak '04 is a member of one of the groups studying the intersection on North Fourth Street and Route 15.

"There have actually been a few major accidents at the intersection, and many students go through it. It is important that we are donating our services to the town because it is unlikely that the town would pay a private engineering firm to do something like this. This is something we can do to give back," Pollak said.

McGinnis said the study previously done for Giant looked at the concept of the level of service.

"The grading of service goes from A to E, where A is the safest and E is the most congested. The projected analysis is to determine the level of traffic today compared to what it would be in the future," McGinnis said.

Aspects the students are looking at involve the sight distance for the proposed traffic light, as well as the assumption made in the original traffic study that relates to the direction people will come from to get to the Giant Supermarket. McGinnis said it was assumed that 45 percent of people would come north on Route 15, 45 percent would come from the south on Route 15, 5 percent would come from River Road and 5 percent would come from Beagle Club Road. The supermarket would be at the corner of Beagle Club Road and Route 15. He also said that many people jog and walk along Route 15, and that the safety of those people was not taken into account in the original study.

"We don't think the percentages are right according to where the population lives according to the 2000 U.S. Census data," McGinnis said. "It doesn't make sense that only half the people would come from the north."

Loss agreed that the percentages are incorrect.

"I agree with Professor McGinnis' assessment that if the numbers are flawed, then the results from the original study are flawed," Loss said. "What the numbers [in the original study] showed was that 5 percent of people would be coming into Giant from Beagle Club Road. Most people living in Lewisburg would be coming in from that way, and during peak hours, it is expected that 700 cars will visit Giant, which means only 35 of those cars would come in from Beagle Club Road. They are putting two entrances on Route 15 and one on Beagle Club Road, but if there are only 35 cars coming in there, why would they make an entrance on Beagle Club Road?"

McGinnis said his students are trying to be as fair as possible.

"We are not trying to fight Giant, we are trying to provide a study that shows what decision is best, and we are trying to analyze the data from an unbiased viewpoint," McGinnis said.

"How can you make a decision when you don't have complete information? The original study did not give adequate information to address to address the impact on township roads"

*—**Jeffrey Loss**, member of the Rural Route Neighborhoods*

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News

Peg Emery, custodian, dies at 59

Emery considered spirited and dedicated by students, staff

By Jason Oster
Staff Writer

Bucknell lost an exceptional member of its custodial staff, Margaret Ann "Peg" Emery, on March 23, 2003. She was 59. Emery died at Geisinger Medical Center in Danville. She was employed by Bucknell for approximately two years and also cleaned private homes.

"She was a very hard worker. The students she had all cared for her and appreciated her work. And she was always there for the students that she cleaned for."

*—**Robert Snook**, custodial section supervisor of the lower campus*

Emery's colleagues, the students on the halls she cleaned and her bosses only thought the best of her.

"Peg was not with us very long but was a very dedicated cleaning professional. She took an exceptional amount of pride in the areas she worked in and was always looking for better ways to accomplish her assignments," Director of Facility Services Michael Patterson said.

Two years ago Emery was hired by the Bucknell Personnel Department to work in Smith Hall and Spratt House.

Eileen DeSantis, the assistant director of personnel was involved in hiring Emery. DeSantis said she was only involved with Emery from the hiring process and orientation, but she remembers finding Emery to be very pleasant and well-liked.

"Peg was well-recommended by the people whose private homes she cleaned before coming to Bucknell. I remember the people were sad to see Peg leave them and come to Bucknell because she was a great employee," DeSantis said.

Custodial Section Supervisor of the Lower Campus Roger Snook was Emery's immediate supervisor.

"She was a very hard worker. The students she had all cared for her and appreciated her work. And she was always there for the students that she cleaned for," Snook said.

Emery was the custodian on the hall in which Kim Cocoros '03 was a resident assistant last year in Smith.

"Peg was a very spirited woman. You could tell this by just being in a room with her. She's the kind of person with whom it is impossible to have a fake conversation. She was always very nice to me and my residents. Peg is really going to be missed in Smith. My residents this year were upset to hear the news, even though she is not the custodian in charge of my hall," Cocoros said.

According to Snook, Emery always paid close attention to the area she was concerned with cleaning.

"It is rare to find someone who is proud of their work like Peg was. She always paid close attention to detail," Snook said.

Snook said Emery was not just a good worker but also a good friend.

"A lot of times you get people who are just peers and coworkers, but Peg wanted to be a friend as well as a coworker," Snook said. "She was always concerned about people. She loved to sit and watch people."

One attribute that those who knew Emery agree on is that she was an individual.

"She was a very private person. Peg walked her own way and it made her the good person that she was. She never followed any cliques. She was a religious woman, a good Christian. While others would sit and eat together during lunchtime, she would be in a different location, content, and reading the Bible," Snook said.

Emery was well-liked among the custodial staff, personnel, the students and any other member of the University community with whom she came in contact.

Emery is survived by her mother, Sara Hulsizer, daughter Kathy Jo Renn and two grandchildren, Alexander and Briana. In addition, she leaves behind stepchildren, stepgrandchildren and even step-great-grandchildren. Peg also has a brother and three sisters.

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*—**Kim Cocoros '03,***

Emery's funeral was held last Wednesday at the Shaw Funeral Home in Milton. She was buried in Milton Cemetery.

Kappa Sigma Fraternity elects to forfeit house

Photo courtesy of Kappa Sigma Web Site

The brothers of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity have elected to forfeit their on-campus house. The fraternity could not meet the University's demand for higher membership numbers.

By Jeff Day
Staff Writer

Kappa Sigma, a long-standing fraternity on campus, has recently elected to forfeit ownership of its house to the University. Kurt Christian Decker '04, president of Kappa Sigma, said that the primary reason for the decision was the University's demand for higher membership numbers.

"The brothers decided that we would rather enjoy the rest of the semester without the constant burden of recruiting more members in order to meet the University's ever-changing requirements. We can now worry about recruiting quality instead of quantity when it comes to new members," Decker said.

Kevin Lang '04 said the decision to forfeit ownership of the house was a choice they decided to make.

"We wanted to stick to our ideals of brotherhood," Lang said.

Lang believes that the brotherhood will only become stronger and more united because of the actions taken.

According to Decker, the fraternity is currently looking into renting a downtown house for next year.

"Depending on the University's policy and our national policy, our chapter meeting and select brotherhood events may need to be held on campus, but if that is not required, then we will be having them at our downtown house," Decker said.

The loss of a house can greatly impact the appeal of a fraternity to students that rush. Decker acknowledged that this would be an obvious disadvantage for Kappa Sigma, but the forfeit of ownership was crucial to maintaining the ideals of the fraternity.

"I do think that losing our house next year will impact our rush in the fall. But in obtaining a downtown house, we will still be able to keep a presence on campus and participate in rush like all other fraternities," Kappa Sigma brother Matt Keiser '05 said.

According to Keiser, rush will actually be better in many ways for Kappa Sigma because of a downtown presence. He said that the current first-year students know of their house on campus and learned who they were, both of which will be useful in the fall rush.

According to Decker, almost all the brothers and most recent alumni have also decided not to donate any money to the University in the future.

The overall impact that the forfeiture of their house will have on Kappa Sigma will only be seen in time. It is apparent that the brotherhood is determined to maintain a strong membership that exemplifies those ideals of which it is based.

Calendar of Events

April 4 — FRI

Hilltop Film Series: "La Ceremonie"
Vaughan Lit. Auditorium
4:30 & 8 p.m.

Dinner and a Movie: "Lilo & Stitch"
Bostwick Cafeteria
4:45 p.m.

Hip-Hop Dance Workshop
Tustin Theatre
5 p.m.

Luigi FIJI
78 University Ave.
5 p.m.

Gameshow: "How Well Do You Know Your Sibling?"
Bison
7 p.m.

Bucknell Band Concert
Weis Center Auditorium
7:30 p.m.

"We Brake for Nobody"
LC Forum
9 p.m.

Third Eye Blind with G-Love & Special Sauce
Sojka Pavilion
9 p.m.

"Jaws"
LC Forum
10:30 p.m.

Open Mic Night
7th Street Café
11 p.m.

April 5 — SAT

Lifeguard Training Course
Kinney Natatorium
8 a.m.

Women's Tennis vs. Colgate
Tennis Courts
10 a.m.

Carnival/Lunch
Gerhard Fieldhouse
11 a.m.

Junior Recital: Katherine Palumbo (piano)
Weis Music Building Recital Hall
Noon

Men's Tennis vs. Army
Tennis Courts
Noon

Men's Lacrosse vs. Lafayette
Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium
1 p.m.

Softball vs. Lafayette
Bucknell West Fields
1 p.m.

Hip-Hop Dance Workshop
Tustin Theatre
1 & 3 p.m.

"Lilo & Stitch"
Vaughan Lit. Auditorium
2 p.m.

"Final Four" Party
Sigma Phi Epsilon
6 p.m.

Pool Party
Kinney Natatorium
6 p.m.

Black Arts Festival
All Day
Sat. & Sun.
Seventh St. House Living Room

Bucknell Concert Chorale
Weis Center Auditorium
8 p.m.

Jelani's Fourth Annual Showcase
LC 241, 256 & 276
8 p.m.

"We Brake for Nobody"
LC Forum
9 p.m.

Jelani Dance Party
Uptown
9:30 p.m.

Phi Psi Battle of the Bands
Phi Kappa Psi
10 p.m.

"Blue Crush"
Vaughan Lit. Auditorium
10:30 p.m.

April 6 — SUN

Quaker Services
Willard Smith Library
9:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Kappa Kappa Gamma Philanthropy Breakfast
Larison Dining Room
10 a.m.

Interdenominational Worship Service
Rooke Chapel
11 a.m.

Softball vs. Lafayette
Bucknell West Fields
Noon

Episcopal Eucharist Service
Rooke Meditation Chapel
Noon

Men's & Women's Tennis vs. Towson
Tennis Courts
1 p.m.

Catholic Mass
Rooke Chapel
4 p.m.

Catholic Mass
Hunt Hall Living Room
10 p.m.

April 7 — MON

Bear Wear
Uphill LC
10 a.m.

Tolkien Conference
LC Forum
8 p.m.

Women's Tennis vs. UMBC
Tennis Courts
3:30 p.m.

Living Well Series
Walls Board Room (LC 213)
4 p.m.

Qigong Classes
Vedder Living Room
Noon

Zen Meditation
Rooke Meditation Chapel
4 p.m.

Yoga
McDonnell Hall 242
4:45 p.m.

Poetry Reading: Olga Sedakova
Bucknell Hall
7:30 p.m.

Yoga
Walls Board Room (LC 213)
8 p.m.

April 8 — TUE

Tai Chi Class
McDonnell Hall 241
5 p.m.

SIRENS Series
Walls Board Room (LC 213)
7:30 p.m.

Lecture: Colin Kidd
Willard Smith Library
7:30 p.m.

Habifest Movie: "With Honors"
Gallery Theatre
7:30 p.m.

The Gallery Series: Wu Man, Chinese Pipa
Weis Music Building Recital Hall
8 p.m.

April 9 — WED

Weis Center Dinner
LC 252
6 p.m.

Merck Lecture Series
Rooke Chemistry 116
7:30 p.m.

Yoga
Walls Board Room (LC 213)
9 p.m.

April 10 — THU

Lecture: Dr. Elisabeth Murray
Gallery Theatre
4 p.m.

Third World Film Series: "Landscape & Memory"
Coleman 151
4 & 7 p.m.

Photographs from the Permanent Collection
Samek Art Gallery
Through April 13

Presentation: Gananath Obeyesekere
Willard Smith Library
4:30 p.m.

Juilliard String Quartet Open Rehearsal
Weis Center Instrumental Rehearsal Room
7 p.m.

Lecture: Yi-Fu Tan
Olin Science 268
8 p.m.

Surf's Up! Siblings Weekend 2003

The information on these events is subject to change. Some events are open to members of an organization only.

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News

International students express concerns and feelings on Operation Iraqi Freedom

By Jolene Hart
Senior Editor

What we have seen in the preceding months—apart from the fact that opinions on the current war are as passionate and as diverse as possible—is that Operation Iraqi Freedom is affecting the entire world.

People of the world are linked from the most fundamental levels of existence: our economies, our foreign policies, our histories and possibly even through our families, relatives or friends. As a result, citizens from all areas of the world, seek a forum for their opinions.

Have we taken the time to step back and reflect on our own position from the perspective of another, possibly helping us to concede, or at least acknowledge, the views of others?

An international perspective on the war with Iraq is something of which we have all been made acutely aware by following the actions of the United Nations and the current media coverage throughout the world, but the views of foreign citizens are available on campus through the eyes of international students.

It seems that war has the potential to unite as well as divide, and it is possible that we can learn much about ourselves from the experiences of those among us who see our country from this distinct perspective. Anyone who has traveled abroad can understand the important role that you take on when leaving your home country. Foreigners in the United States, as well as Americans abroad, have the potential to change others' views of their home countries, which are often dictated by media and lingering stereotypes.

Several of the University's international students gave *The Bucknellian* their perspectives on the war from the view of outsiders on the inside; the degrees to which they or their countries are personally involved vary as widely as their opinions. One thing is certain—giving attention to their words offers us a deeper understanding of ourselves.

Life in the United States

Overall, many students feel that their treatment at the University and within the United States has not changed significantly since the commencement of war.

Yusef Kudsi '06 is an economics major with Syrian parents, though he was raised in London.

"I have not been affected at all, but I do not look particularly Middle Eastern. Even if I did, I don't think it would pose any problems for me, at least not in Lewisburg. I have not noticed that Lewisburg is racially or politically charged enough to cause any problems for students from the region in question," Kudsi said.

Nicolas Willett '05, a civil engineer from France, agreed.

"Personally, the war has not affected me in any direct way, but I think that the image of America shared by the rest of the world is damaged in a short term," Willett said.

Benoist Gaudineau '04 is an American history major from Tours, France.

"I'm treated differently by the students, but I got the main negative response by the media. American students don't ostracize me for being French, and actually I have met many students agreeing on my country's position," Gaudineau said.

Suzanne Van Hulle '03, an international relations and Spanish major, lives in Geneva, Switzerland and is a Swiss, Irish and Belgian citizen.

In recent months, and especially following the military action in Iraq, many families of international students are more concerned for their safety.

Odd Hanssen '05 is an economics and international relations major from Ecuador.

"The war has affected my family somewhat, in that my closest relatives have become worried for my safety, for my immediate family's safety, due to my past and my brother's current attendance at an American international school," Hanssen said.

The world view

After hearing the opinions of several students, it is evident that many of their ideas reflect the same criticism and concerns that divide Americans. Like the views of many American students at the University, the opinions of international students are charged and controversial.

Hanssen: I believe that most of the people in my home country are not in favor of the war, for reasons such as general dislike of war, due to recently terminated conflicts of our own, support for the United Nations and hatred towards the United States. However, much of this sentiment is silent due to the fragile relations held with the United States, how my country is completely economically dependent upon the United States through its International Monetary Fund agreement and foreign debts, and how the government cannot afford an open opposition to the United States.

Gaudineau: French people … believe that the reason to attack Iraq is not the weapons but, on the contrary, the fact that they [Iraqis] don't have these weapons anymore and so they are an easier target than they were during the first Gulf War.

Kudsi: As for Syria and the Arab opinion, despite differences within the Arab world, I think they see it as a stab, direct or indirect at Arab nationalism and sovereignty. There is an old Arab saying: 'My brother and I will fight my cousin, my cousin and I will fight the stranger.' So here they are united in seeing the United States as the stranger trying to further its interests in the region, under the umbrella of what harm Saddam might cause in the future.

Van Hulle: The majority feel that something needed to be done. However, the sentiment towards the U.S. government is that of imperialists and neo-colonialists.

Hanssen: The people of the world are against this war because they are afraid; afraid that if a country, any country, can decide that this particular country is evil and 'needs a regime change,' and then goes ahead despite not obtaining U.N. support, that there is no knowing where that country will stop."

Learning from the past

Some students' home countries experienced military occupation in their recent histories and can offer a unique perspective on the effects of the war.

Gaudineau: Seventy-five percent of northern French cities were bombed by the Germans and the allies during World War II, and when bombs fall on you, it does not rejoice you to know they are from your liberators. When you visit a French city outside Paris, you will have a tiny part of the city called "the Old," the Old Tours or the Old Blois. That tiny part is the quarter which was not bombed during the war.

Van Hulle: The war in Iraq is not only causing many internal problems, but also in neighboring countries, which are upsetting and disregarded by most media sources….Switzerland is home for a large percentage of international citizens as well as to refugees. With the 1998 war in Kosovo, many Kosovars sought refuge in Geneva, Switzerland. Most of them found a job and all was well. However, the crime rate suddenly increased considerably, creating anti-refugee sentiments.

A different culture

Students remarked that, in general, only a few members of the University community sought their opinions on the war. Gaudineau said that University students asked about his feelings on the French view of the war and on "freedom fries," the name suggested to replace "French fries" by Ohio congressman Bob Ney.

Reflecting on the political involvement they have witnessed in the United States, students felt that the reactions to war or to a major political event are different when compared to the political interest in their home countries.

Hanssen: I would consider students my age [in Ecuador] at least more involved in politics in general than in the United States, if not for more than the university protests and demonstrations that disrupt or paralyze city life at least 10 times a year.

Gaudineau: People here have an opinion, or so, but I don't think they care at all. It's not just about world politics, but politics in general. Show your disinterest for politics and it will be the signal for the government to do whatever they want and not in the best interest of the people. I am not saying that young French people feel more concerned. In normal, quiet times, they don't. They don't vote so much. But if something very wrong is happening, it will wake them up and they will demonstrate in mass to show their disagreement.

Van Hulle: I have the feeling that the majority of students in Switzerland know the details concerning Iraq's history and current situation regardless of their area of study. I have the feeling that most students discuss the situation daily, among themselves and with their families.

Kudsi: I think British teen-agers are similar to their American counterparts, yet in the European continent they are more politically motivated, with France at the zenith.

Living in the present

Gaudineau and Van Hulle also expressed concern and criticism of United States media coverage, citing that the media in their home countries often gives a much broader perspective.

Van Hulle: Regardless of one's views on the war, we should all seek different news sources concerning the coverage with the war on Iraq. CNN is not the only news source."

Gaudineau: Having had the chance to compare the kind of information that French and European media give with the information channels like Fox News, MSNBC or even CNN, I realized that these information channels are just brainwashing people to make them accept a biased point of view. If I had an advice for my Bucknell friends, it would be to watch, but carefully, the news and find other sources to complete and have a better view of the war. Go to the BBC Web site, Reuters, or if you speak Spanish, French or German, the main newspapers there."

Hanssen: I have considered leaving the country a few times, and see less of a future working in the United States.

Gaudineau: Actually, I don't know what it is going to mean for my future in America. Some of my friends in France asked for a visa for an internship in the United States, and they did not get it. If I want to visit my friends at Bucknell next September or if I want to go to a graduate school here, will I be accepted? I don't know.

Looking toward the future

The war in Iraq, affecting our lives on many different levels, leaves these us all with very different opinions. The current situation clearly has the potential to change the previous feelings of these students.

Gaudineau: It [the onset of war] did not affect my opinions of America and American people. I have not become anti-American. You cannot condemn a people for what its government is doing.

Willett: France has had a long history of confronting the United States but I don't feel obliged towards either country. I agree with France's decision to stay out of the war only because I don't have enough true information to adequately judge the situation in Iraq. What I am sure of is that Saddam Hussein is an awful leader that has driven his country into poverty and pain and that he should be removed. Is war the best way to go about this? It surely is the quickest, most short-term effective.

Kudsi: As an Arab I sympathize greatly with Iraqi people … but I do see the greater good here, and I hope the United States carries out its stated intentions of installing a stable, independent, and somewhat democratic regime.

If you could say one thing to a U.S. soldier stationed in Iraq, what would it be?

John Hendren—The Los Angeles Times

Command Sgt. Maj. "Black Hawk Bob" Gallagher teaches his soldiers "stuff you read in books" in urban warfare training at Camp New York in Kuwait.

"THANK YOU. Thank you so incredibly much for putting your lives on the line in order to safeguard the freedom and security of all Americans, even the many on this campus who lack any appreciation for what you're doing for them."
***—Charles Mitchell** '05*

John Makely—The Baltimore Sun

Sgt. 1st Class Tod Svenson of the 101st Airborne Divisions Charlie Company wonders how his platoon members will respond in battle if an attack is ordered.

"I hope that this war ends quickly and that they come home safely to their loved ones. I would also say that for the most part, those who do not support the war, it is not the soldiers they do not support, but a policy that has put them in harm's way. We want them home where they will be safe."
***—Serena Fujita**, Jewish chaplain*

As with some branches of the peace movement, I support the troops by urging their safe, immediate return. I wish that were possible, though I know it is not.
***—Cynthia Hogue,** associate professor of English*

News

University helps students cope with war

Administrators, deans, chaplains and counselors anticipating of student needs

By Elisabeth Salemme
News Editor

The University administration and campus groups have been putting together programs and services to help students cope with any fear or sorrow they may be experiencing due to the current conflict in Iraq.

According to University Chaplain Ian Oliver, as soon as fighting began, a meeting was held in which he discussed with Deans of Students Amy Badal and Richard Ferraro, Jewish Chaplain Serena Fujita, Director of Psychological Services Arlene Hoyt, Catholic Chaplain Martin O. Moran and Vice President of Student Affairs Charles Pollock '70 what should be done for students. Oliver said a variety of services have been and will be available for students.

Ferraro said he is surprised at how calm students' reactions to the Iraqi conflict have been.

"I am so impressed with the degree of civility during demonstrations. People are both thoughtful and polite and I see no insensitivity," Ferraro said. "People seem remarkably self-composed in contrast with [how they felt] after Sept. 11."

Associate Director of Psychological Services Rosaria Gabriele said she has not encountered many students whose primary concern was the Iraqi conflict.

"It does not seem that students are coming in with the war being a specific issue for them, but rather feeling stressed because of many things—academics usually the first—and some feeling sadness and compassion about the victims of the war," Gabriele said.

Pollock said that, as of now, the administration has decided that things should remain "business as usual."

"It hasn't reached a point to interrupt that, to turn full attention to the matter," Pollock said.

Oliver said that the compilation of previous events from the past year and the current conflict have made students more stressed.

"It has been a tough year at Bucknell," Oliver said. "There have been a lot of deaths, more so than ever, which had a large effect on everyone. Also, the anniversary of Sept. 11 kept people on edge. People's fuses are just a little shorter, and that can build up."

Associate Director of Psychological Services Eric Affsprung said that the Psychological Services Center will continue to provide support for students.

"Of course, if something extraordinary should happen, another attack upon our soil for example, our office, as well as the entire student affairs staff, will seek to do whatever we can to provide additional support to the student community," Affsprung said.

Oliver said that it is hard to know exactly what to do for students without making matters worse.

"On the academic side, we are trying to make things more helpful than hurtful through things such as discussion. It is difficult to come up with a helpful response," Oliver said. "We don't want to over or under respond to students."

Religious and other campus groups have held events in the past two weeks. A peace vigil and interfaith service was held on Monday outside Freas Hall and the Conservatives Club held a rally last Friday on the uphill Langone Center (LC) lawn to support the American troops in Iraq.

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***—Ian Oliver**, University chaplain*

"We've gotten word out to RAs that they can request programs. We encourage to have educational programs and coping programs," Pollock said.

Psychological Services also offers a support group for students to gather together and to share their feelings about Operation Iraqi Freedom. The first of these meetings was held Wednesday in the LC.

"Speaking only for myself, I have not had many students coming in wanting to talk about the war," Affsprung said. "After Sept. 11, however, a number of students, especially seniors, expressed anxiety about the future, about moving far away from family and about living in working in a major urban area like New York City."

Ferraro said that the administration is trying to be as responsive to student needs as possible.

"Deans will stay late or come in early, but we are getting the feeling that students are handling things well. However, that could change because war is fluid and we will try to provide all the assistance possible," Ferraro said.

According to Ferraro, if students want to have a discussion group or forum, the Deans of Students would be "more than happy to do that."

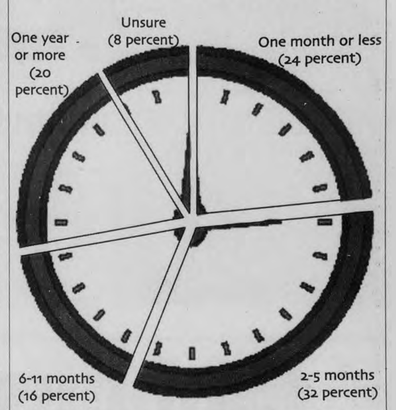
Moran has gathered names of relatives, friends and acquaintances of students who are currently a part of the war. This list is posted in the LC.

"We are pretty much letting students who have family members and loved ones in harm's way self-identify. We are not going into students' records to determine that," Pollock said.

Instead, the University staff is encouraging students to discuss their reactions to the conflict.

"My advice for students right now would be to take a break from the war. Sitting in front of the television for hours will not make matters better," Oliver said. "Talk to someone. Don't be afraid not to have an opinion."

How long do you think the conflict will last?



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If you could say one thing to a U.S. soldier stationed in Iraq, what would it be?

Kevin P. Casey—Los Angeles Times

Near Camp Udairi, a soldier from the 101st Airborne, digs in as he completes tactic missions and prepares for battle.

"Finish this war as quickly and with as much mercy for the Iraqi people, as possible."
***—Sean Elliott** '04*

Community participates in rally supporting U.S. troops

BUCC organizes outdoor event in response to peace vigils

By Meghan Fox
Staff Writer

Clad in homemade T-shirts, bearing signs and waving flags, members of the Bucknell University Conservatives Club (BUCC), joined by additional students, staff and local community members, rallied in support of the U.S. troops March 28.

The demonstration began at 11:45 a.m. outside the uphill doors of the Langone Center (LC), the site of past peace rallies held by Bucknellians for Peace.

"I'm tired of seeing everyone protesting the troops. Someone has to be out here supporting them," Milton resident Mary Brouse said.

This rally was held largely in response to these previous peace vigils, Vice President of BUCC Charles Mitchell '05 said, though this was not the sole reason that the club organized the patriotic display.

"Some people [in BUCC] wanted to do it regardless," Mitchell said.

Mitchell said he has read a lot about the Vietnam War. He said that when the troops returned to the United States after the war, protesters spat on them.

Anti-war and anti-troop protests hurt the morale of the soldiers in Vietnam and Mitchell did not want history to repeat itself.

"Soldiers do as they are told; they don't make policies. You can disagree with [U.S. President] George W. Bush vehemently, but don't disrespect the troops," Mitchell said.

A debate was to be held between the BUCC and the Bucknellians for Peace, but it was called off once the war began.

At least one member of Bucknellians for Peace was reported to have attended the rally to support the troops, regardless of his views on the war itself.

Patriotic music played in the background as those present held various signs reading: "It's not all about oil," "If Saddam's Not a Threat, Which City Are You Willing to Wager," "War Ended Fascism, Slavery and Nazism" and "Make Love After War," in addition to others.

Yellow and red, white and blue ribbons were distributed at the rally. The ribbons were purchased with money received from subscriptions to BUCC's publication, The Counterweight.

Prior to the demonstration, BUCC sent out press releases to several local newspapers notifying them of the event. A campus-wide e-mail also circulated to notify students and faculty.

At its peak, shortly after noon, there were an estimated 60 people lined up outside the LC.

Wearing a camouflage T-shirt and holding a sign, Emily Rokicki '05 said that the display was intended "to show that there are lots of people here at Bucknell that actually care."

Mitchell described the success of the rally as "amazing."

"We were really, really pleased with how many people from our support staff came," Mitchell said.

Mailroom employees and Terrace Room staff were among those demonstrating their support.

The pro-troops rally received front-page coverage of many local newspapers including *Sunbury Daily Item*, *Lewisburg Daily Journal* and *Williamsport Sun-Gazette*.

"I hope that they all [the troops] hear that there were 60 people at Bucknell that were strongly behind them," Martin Wade '06 said.

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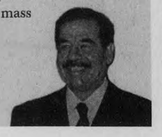
News

Hussein's reign prompts mainly disdain...

After gaining independence from Great Britain in 1932, Iraq has been a key component in the Middle East picture. Saddam Hussein's reign has been marked by bloodshed and controversy, from the lucrative oil fields, the repeated attacks against the Kurdish people in Iraq, to the concern over the presence of weapons of mass destruction.



■ April 28, 1937
Saddam Hussein is born in Tikrit, Iraq, and soon sent to live with his maternal uncle. During his early years, reports have linked Saddam to the murders of a school teacher and/or a cousin.

■ 1959
Hussein attempts to assassinate the Prime Minister of Iraq. He is arrested for six months.

■ February 6, 1963
Hussein returns to Iraq after the Ramadan Revolution and is elected to the Baath Party.

■ February 8, 1963
President Qasim is ousted in a coup led by the Arab Socialist Ba'th Party. Six months of chaos follow, prompting another military coup.

Photo Courtesy Encarta Encyclopedia

In 1980, Hussein's first foreign policy move as president of Iraq was to seize the oil fields in Iran (pictured right). His initial push was successful, but he ultimately needed outside help to win the war.

1937 1958 1960 1962 1964 1966 1968 1978

■ February 25, 1960
After being convicted for his assassination attempt, Hussein traveled to Syria and then Egypt to escape a death sentence.

■ November 18, 1963
The Ba'ath government is overthrown by Arif and a group of military officers; 5000-6000 Iraqis are executed in backlash against communism.

■ July, 1968
Hussein participates in a coup to overthrow Iraq's president and the regime.

■ July 16, 1979
Hussein compelled President Bakr to resign on 'health grounds.' Hussein is elected as the president of Iraq, Chairman of Revolution Command Council and secretary general of the Ba'ath party.

Campus community reacts

"Coming from a tradition that teaches 'if anyone destroys a human soul, it is as if that person had destroyed an entire world.' (Sanhedrin 37:a), the whole idea of war is very disturbing. My son's best friend, whom we have known since he was 4 years old, is in the Marines, so my family is directly affected by the war. But even beyond knowing someone personally, it is all of the thousands of people who will experience loss and disruption of their lives that I think about constantly. I worry that this war will further demonize the United States in the eyes of many in the world. I worry that the United States is on a course that will lead to involvement in countries that we have no right to be involved in, while using money for weapons that we could use to help the poor and the needy. When do we focus on our needs? I worry who is going to pick up the pieces at home."
—**Serena Fujita**, Jewish chaplain

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"I cannot tell you how sorry I am that young soldiers and civilians of all ages are being maimed, wounded, killed, because a diplomatic solution was possible, because the claim to the forces now being 'coalition' is visibly empty, because anti-Americanism is on the rise all over the world, which saddens me, and because I believe the current violence will spawn more, rather than less, terrorism. But I think it's important to remember that both pro-war and pro-peace movements have a similar goal: a safer world. Now that we have gone in one direction rather than the other, only time will tell whether the world will be more secure. The act of invading another country with the stated purpose of assassinating its leader is a fateful act of aggression, and it has been reported around the world, often without the administration's idealizing rhetoric used here to justify it. That bald fact, shorn of idealizing rationales, has surely shocked and awed many in the world."
—**Cynthia Hogue**, associate professor of English

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"I don't have any family members or friends in the military, but the war is having a profound personal effect on me. For one thing, I very often cry when I listen to the news. I cry for the dead, the wounded, the bereft and grieving; the missing, the frightened, the desperate, for everyone involved in this war and for their families and for the horrible waste of resources that this war entails. I look at the pictures of civilians and soldiers and grieve for the suffering of both. I've held protest signs for the first time in my life, I've spoken out a lot, and I've listened a lot, trying to stay open to all viewpoints and sympathetic to the concerns behind those viewpoints. I'm very sad and very tired. From what I've been able to see, the war is affecting individuals and some groups, but I don't see it affecting Bucknell as an institution yet. I think it will, once the economic effects of this war start being felt."
—**Sabrina Kirby**, writing and teaching consultant

"I guess what I would say about this war is that one can hate the sin and love the sinner; we can vehemently oppose this war and still support those who are fighting it. Those of us who lived through the Vietnam era remember that among the myriad of mistakes that were made, one particularly egregious infraction was that made against the soldiers themselves, who were tormented or shunned or otherwise damned for doing what our government asked them to do. I am relieved to see and hear that we have learned from that mistake, and even the protestors of this war express support for our troops. That is a very important distinction that needs to be made."
—**Candace Hinckley**, library technical assistant

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"I have realized how much I love my country and her true allies—Britain and Australia in particular."
—**Corey Langer** '06

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"One of my good friends is a Marine sargeant. I have to check the casualties list every day to see if he's still alive. It's pretty sobering."
—**Lauren Scotton** '06

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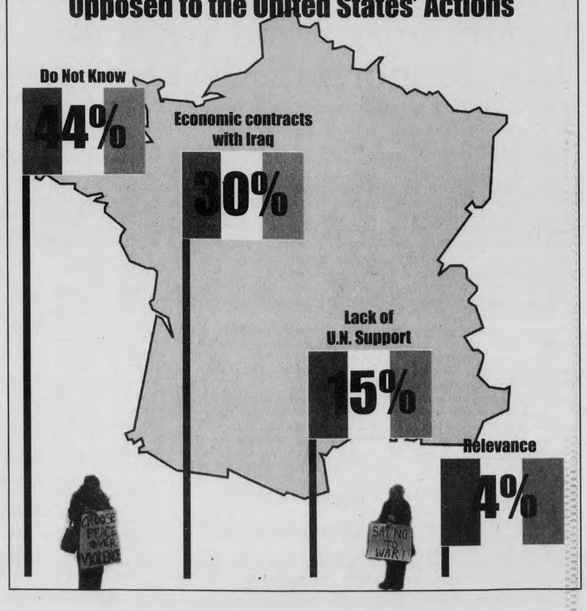
If you could say one thing to a U.S. soldier stationed in Iraq, what would it be?

John Makely—The Baltimore Sun

U.S. Marine Lance Corporal Marcco Ware carries and injured Iraqi soldier who was shot three times during an attempted ambush of the 3rd Battilion, Fifth convoy.

"This is an illegal, immoral, inexcusable war ... carefully reconsider how and why you came to be a part of it."
—***John Cooper**, professor of chemistry*

Why the Student Body Thinks France is Opposed to the United States' Actions



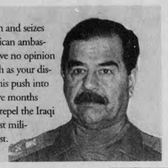
News

Dec. 12, 1983, special envoy to the Middle East Donald Rumsfeld shakes hands with President Hussein. The United States backed the Iraqi war effort against Iran.

■ September 4, 1980
Hussein initiated a war with Iran as he attacks the oil reserves in Iran.

■ Aug. 8, 1988
Hussein agrees to a ceasefire with Iran.

■ August 1990
Hussein misjudges world opinion and seizes Kuwait after being told by American ambassador April Glaspie, that "We have no opinion on your Arab-Arab conflicts, such as your dispute with Kuwait." Angered by his push into Kuwait, Bush spends the next five months compiling a coalition of allies to repel the Iraqi threat, gathering one of the largest military forces ever in the Middle East.



■ 1993
Hussein breaks the peace terms from the end of the Persian Gulf War and is suspected of planning an assassination attempt on Bush. As a result, newly elected U.S. President Bill Clinton orders warships to destroy the Iraqi intelligence headquarters in Baghdad. Over the next few years, four attempted U.S.-aided military coups against Hussein failed.

■ Decembet 16-19, 1998
Hussein fails to comply with U.N. weapons inspectors. The United Nations pulls its workers out of Iraq. The United States and the United Kingdom begin air raids on Iraq called Operation Desert Fox. The bombings last throughout 1999.

1980 1982 1984 1986 1988 1990 1992 1994 1996 1998

■ December 1983
Fearing that an Iranian victory will upset the United State's power balance in the Middle East, U.S. President Ronald Reagan sends Donald Rumsfeld to Iraq. The United States pushes for its allies to support Iraq against Iran by selling them howitzers, bombs and other weapons. The United States sells helicopters, military jeeps and transports, as well as the assistance of American intelligence officers to aid Iraq during the war.

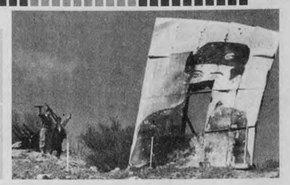
■ 1987-88
Hussein launched the Anfal Campaign against the Kurds, which results in the disappearance of 180,000 Kurds and the destruction of 4,000 villages. The Kurdish town, Halabaja, was gassed, killing 5,000 people and injuring 10,000.

Photo courtesy of Abaden.net

■ October 1989
Following Reagan's lead, U.S. President George Bush Sr. signs a National Security Decision stating, "The U.S. should propose economic and political incentives for Iraq to moderate its behavior and increase our influence with Iraq." Bush guarantees loans to Iraq.

■ January 17, 1991
The United States begins bombing Baghdad in what becomes known as Operation Desert Storm, and eventually follows up with a ground campaign.

■ February 1991
Iraqi troops driven out of Kuwait, ending the Persian Gulf War. Bush declares a ceasefire and withdraws troops that are approaching Baghdad.



to the current war with Iraq

29%
of the student body cited disarmament as a reason for the current war with Iraq.

23%
of the student body cited oil as a reason for the current war with Iraq.

Saddam and his regime are evil
14%

preventing terrorism
13%

no answer/ not sure
12%

humanitarian assistance
9%

47% believe those reasons justify going to war
39% believe those reasons do not justify going to war
13% do not know if those reasons justify going to war

If you could say one thing to a U.S. soldier stationed in Iraq, what would it be?

Scott Calvert—The Baltimore Sun

Pvt. Darren Takayesu, 22, decided to join the Army after watching the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

"Take care and come home safe and soon."
—***Ian Oliver**, University chaplain*

"Let it be over fast. I support you but not our president's overwhelming interest in the oil fields in this country ... Let peace prevail."
—***Flora Eyster**, greenhouse caretaker*

"While I usually tend not to follow up as much as I should on current events, I have been thinking of people I know that are in the various services and checking for updates on the Internet. I don't think it affected Bucknell very much. We received e-mails, and the various peace and conservative groups responded somewhat, but I feel as though we are somewhat closed off from reality when we are here."
—**Stephanie Anzman** '06

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"The war is affecting me by revealing to me we are not living in democracy. We can say no, our government does not care at all (except if you are French). We are living in temporary monarchy, where the king listens to his subjects when it is time for him to be re-elected as king. The only thing that matters to them is not the people but the sake of the companies financing the electoral campaign. Our governments are defending their interests, not ours. They don't care about ours. It affects me because I realized we are still living in the 20th century, in the third, fourth decade of that century, where everything is lies, propaganda, from the government and the media. It affects me because I am French, and for defending a position shared by 80 percent of the world population, my country got ostracized, spat on and was used as a scapegoat by media which have sold their journalistic integrity for the money which will come from a war coverage."
—**Benoist Gaudineau** '04

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"As people Bucknellians know are affected, so Bucknellians will be affected. As the consequences of the prosecution of this war become manifest, Bucknell and Bucknellians will be impacted as the rest of the country is, as the rest of the world is."
—**John Cooper**, professor of chemistry

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"Personally, I have struggled with my thoughts and feelings about the war, but it was still just a TV phenomenon for me until I heard from Matt Hopkins, Class of 2000, who was shipping out 10 days ago to the Gulf with the Army. Knowing a former student from Bucknell who might be one of those figures on grainy satellite phone pictures from Iraq on the news made me watch those images differently. It was no longer a geo-political game or just a political problem—suddenly someone from here was there, and it made it all seem more real, and more frightening. I think the war has affected everyone's emotional state, even (or perhaps especially) those who don't think it has. People seem tense, more likely to get angry, more likely to cry. What were fairly reasonable discussions about the advisability or morality of the war before it began are now shouting matches. For people who already have major worries, the war seems to be pushing them to the edge of meltdown. I worry about the last month of school, as we hit what is always a crazy time at Bucknell anyway."
—**Ian Oliver**, University chaplain

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"Although England is our ally in the war, most people still tend to be against the war, and many people also believe that all Americans are for the war, or at least are very knowledgeable and interested in discussing it. It is even more important to keep a low profile as an American based on the war, and I have seen protests in every city I have been in."
—**Lacy Gonzalez** '04, studying abroad in Bath, England

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"Being abroad, especially in a country where the government and the majority of the people oppose the war, has made me more cautious and less vocal about being an American. I get asked every time I go out, from people that I've never met, if I am for or against the war. I answer by asking them what their opinions are on the war and then discuss their ideas with them. I am here to learn, not to teach. Contrary to what many Americans think, the rest of the world has a lot to teach us. The French people have nothing wrong with the American people, but many do find fault with the current American administration, as many Americans do as well. The belief that the French hate Americans, and vise versa, has been dreamt up and compounded by the media who have created a sort of xenophobia on both sides."
—**Sean Elliott** '04, studying abroad in France

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Joins 78 College Administrators

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The letter, initiated by John R. ...leman, president of Haverford ...llege, was signed by presidents ...presenting the leading private ...hools in the country.

On Sunday the White House said ...at Nixon had not received a ...opy of the statement which had ...en mailed that day.

Sources indicated at that time ...at no immediate comment could ...e expected.

No mention was made of the October 14 Moratorium in the state...ment.

The college presidents said: "We speak as individuals who work ...ith young men and women. The universities and colleges which we serve take no position as institutions on the Vietnam war; these are pluralistic communities where men speak for themselves alone on off-campus issues.

"There are times to be silent and times to speak. This is a time to speak. The accumulated costs of the Vietnam war are not in men and material alone. There are costs too in the effects on young people's hopes aid beliefs.

"Like ourselves, the vast majority of the students with whom we work still want to believe in a just, honest and sensitive America. But our military engagement in Vietnam now stands as a denial of so much that is best in our society.

"More and more, we see the war deflecting energies and resources from urgent business on our own doorsteps. An end to the war will not solve the problems on or off the campus. It will however permit us to work more effectively in support of more peaceful priorities.

"Far from being depressed about our nation's future and our institution's future, we see bold opportunities ahead once the decisiveness of this war is in the past.

"We urge upon the President of the United States and upon Congress a stepped-up timetable for withdrawal from Vietnam. We believe this to be in our country's highest interest, at home and abroad."

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—A letter from 78 college and university administrators to Late U.S. President Richard Nixon (*The Bucknellian*, October 14, 1969)

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—Unidentified student onlooker at the ROTC President's Review (*The Bucknellian*, May 13, 1969)

ROTC Presentation Progresses Despite Demonstrators' Protest

By ED MARSTON

The ROTC President's Review, at which 22 cadets received awards for meritous service, went on as planned Saturday while about 200 demonstrators lined the Memorial Stadium field, protesting against ROTC on campus and the Vietnam war. There was no interruption of the ceremonies.

Receiving the superior cadet awards were Cadet William Hess, senior; Cadet Thomas Stutzman, junior; Cadet Mark Gebhardt, sophomore; and Cadet Scott Jucha, freshman.

Other awards recognizing outstanding cadets in the fields of scholarship and leadership were presented to the following cadets in the senior class: Richard Dunn, Charles Goldman III, David McKinnon Lawrence Wood, Frank Arentowicz, Robert Cheek, Hea... Fuller, and Hol...

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Gary Rosenberg (holding flag) and Ron Taylor take part in the demonstration at the ROTC President's Review last Saturday. Although the protesters went on to the stadium field, there was no disruption of the cadet ceremonies.

(photo by Ron Karr)

ROTC cadets throughout the protest. Some hissed when the demonstrators first marched onto the field. Shouts of "Get off the field, pigs!" were heard.

The announcement that this was the senior cadets' "last performance before graduation" brought laughter and applause from the protesters assembled on the field.

At one point a demonstrator, Jim Fuss, ran through the ROTC ranks, doing handsprings. Fuss said "... This act is a celebration of life. Everybody here seems to be celebrating death. . .clapping for the cards."

As the protesting group moved on the field, Ron Taylor, one of the demonstrators, was threatened by an unidentified man in a blue suit who said, "I'll be looking for your ass. . .You'll have your peace."

In a meeting with the administration on Friday, permission was given to the demonstrators to be behind the goal post at the north end of the stadium, providing their actions were "not disruptive." Alan Shulman explained this to the group before the review began and told them to decide for themselves how the protest would be conducted. Several demonstrators went on the field and marched through the ROTC ranks.

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Strike Schedule

Thursday, May 7

10:00 a.m. Bake sale to raise funds for the economic boycott committee — In front of library

12 noon—Peace Rally at Bloomsburg

12:30 p.m.—High School Action Committee Meeting in New Dorm Living Room. Very Important!

1:00 p.m. Organizational meeting about Fraternity petitions and communications in coordination with Economic Boycott Committee: In front of Library.

1:30 p.m.—Lecture by Dr. Wu, "Student Movement: China and the United States." Gather at Wu's office, Coleman 103A. Lecture will be held in Quad or an appropriate place.

1:45 p.m. Dr. Lu and Prof. Burlingane speaking on their recent visits to Southeast Asia — 102a Coleman

2:30 p.m. Prof. Rinkus is speaking in the Quad on "Vietnam, Kent, Bucknell; the need for radical change."

5:00 p.m.—Mass Meeting on Quad.

Friday, May 8

9:00 a.m.—Meeting of Community-Church Relations Committee—IMPORTANT—to plan future moves of this committee. Anyone who is interested in this relations committee please attend.

9:00 a.m.—12:00 noon Alternative University Seminars in Marshalling and Non Violence

1:00 p.m.—Vaughan Lit. Auditorium—Win Winfree, officer of the U.S. Air Forces.

1:45 p.m. 102A Coleman—Prof. Ralph Spielman, "Why the alienation of the 'masses' by the present student masses?"

1:45 p.m.—Carl Patton—"Poetry, Anarchy, and the Crisis" 101B Coleman

2:30 p.m.—Discussion on Chinese Policy on Southeast Asia, 115 South Seventh Street, Dr. Wu.

3:15 p.m. Coleman, Cocktail Theatre, Libby Dodd.

4:00 p.m.—Susquehanna March on Sunbury—for information call 374-1251, George Williams or Jay Bolton.

ATTENTION: The Alternate University Seminars in marshalling and non-violence on Thursday from 9-12 noon will be held in the library end of the Quad. The same goes for the session on Friday.

Meeting places for Bucknell people going to Washington Saturday will be on Franklin Square between K & I Streets N. W. and 13th & 14th Streets

The Bucknellian, May 7, 1970

"Apathy is perhaps America's greatest problem today. Students across the nation gripe about their country's faults, but few are really working to find solutions to our problems. A few years ago, poverty was finally recognized as a major problem; we declared war on poverty. That war has not been won yet, but at least some effort is being made. Maybe now the people, especially students, of this nation, not the government, should declare war on apathy, a major foe of all democratic and humanitarian ideals."

—*Bucknellian* editorial, April 24, 1970

Flashback to Vietnam

A look at Bucknell during the war

By RACHEL LASKOW
Senior Editor

The last of American forces left Vietnam on March 29, 1973. Now, 30 years later, American troops are just beginning their invasion of Iraq in an attempt to disarm Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. In both situations, the war greatly affected the University and created challenges as well as learning opportunities.

Retired Professor of Psychology Douglas Candland came to the University in 1960, a few years before the Vietnam War started.

"[The war] came on slowly. It began as the war with Iraq has begun, with promises that it wouldn't last long," Candland said.

One of the major differences between the Vietnam War and Operation Iraqi Freedom is that male students could be drafted during the Vietnam War.

"The draft was out there waiting for many of us, and it was determined by a lottery draw whether or not we would be chosen, and all our lives we had been raised to believe in and follow our elders," Jim Ball '71 said.

Vice President for Student Affairs Charles Pollock '70 remembers that the draft caused a lot anxiety because students were concerned about friends and loved ones who were subject to the draft.

Many University students expressed their opinions about the draft. According to a Nov. 18, 1969 *Bucknellian* article, moratorium supporters planted crosses, bearing the names of all male University seniors eligible for the draft, in the academic quad.

Bill Niklas, campus coordinator of the moratorium, said that the purpose of the crosses was not to condemn anyone, but rather to encourage discussion on the issue.

"In fact, it must have shaken some people out of their apathetic or silent existences, for it encouraged discussion. That was the purpose of the cross-planting, and if only one or two students have decided to continue voicing their opinions so that all might hear, then it was, in my opinion, worthwhile," Niklas said in *The Bucknellian* article.

Similar to Niklas' feelings, Ball remembers hearing the word "apathetic" a lot on campus. According to Ball, while there was clearly a general apathy at the time, most people knew what was going on in Southeast Asia and some of them were active in raising awareness.

"I think that the apathy was a result of a feeling of helplessness on the part of young people at the time to do anything to impact their fate," Ball said.

Ball said that it was very easy not to pay a lot of attention to the war because the University is removed from everything else.

Both Ball and Pollock remember the late '60s and early '70s as a fairly quiet time at the University.

"The war was going on when we came and left. The background noise was there, but it didn't ruin your life," Ball said.

For the most part, noise was created from differences in opinions, which led to protests and rallies.

"There was some intramural confrontation between supporters and those in opposition to the war, but not a great deal," Pollock said.

Pollock remembers some hostility towards ROTC. On May 10, 1969, about 200 demonstrators lined the Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium field during the ROTC President's Review, a ceremony at which 22 cadets received merit awards their services. According to the May 14, 1969 *Bucknellian*, 100 demonstrators marched onto the field during the review and held signs that said "ROTC trains men to kill liberally" and "ROTC must be removed."

Throughout the war, many events occurred that greatly affected the nation. On May 4, 1970, Ohio National Guardsmen killed four students and wounded nine others at Kent State University, an event known as the Kent State killings. Candland, Ball and Pollock agree that the Kent State killings sparked activity and concern on campus.

"The most dramatic moment was the Kent State killings," Candland said.

Pollock admits that the war was a very angry time, but he also recognizes the fact that people at Bucknell managed their anger better than people elsewhere.

"There was a great deal of anger. Anger the war was being fought with apparent disregard for the will of the people. Anger over attempts to crush dissent," Pollock said.

Despite the mixed feelings of students, the University tried to use the world situation as a learning experience, just as it is doing with the current conflict with Iraq.

"During Vietnam, opportunities were taken to make the war a teachable moment and to help people understand the dynamics at the root of the conflict, and I see the University doing that now and applaud it," Pollock said.

Now, University officials are encouraging professors to take time out of their classes to discuss the war. Similarly, Ball recalls having a history professor who was vocal about the situation.

Despite the importance and urgency of the situation, Candland never felt it was appropriate to discuss politics in the classroom. He did meet with students individually to discuss concerns.

"I don't think a professor's job is to indoctrinate," Candland said.

In fact, the Vietnam War had such an impact on the education at the University that the faculty voted on May 4, 1970 to support the concerns of the student body regarding the Southeast Asian situation and to suspend normal University operations, including regularly-scheduled classes for four days, according to the May 5, 1970 *Bucknellian*.

"Probably we are at a more difficult passage than we have ever been before," late University President Charles Watts said at the conclusion of the debate.

Watts also saw the war as an opportunity to join other institutions across the nation and voice their opinions.

In the fall of 1969 Watts signed a statement, along with presidents of 78 other private colleges and universities, which was sent to the late U.S. President Richard Nixon. The letter appealed for a "stepped-up timetable for withdrawal in Vietnam." The letter emphasized the fact that the presidents were speaking as individuals and not on behalf of their institutions.

Despite difficulties, Watts found a way to help the University survive the war.

"President Watts was asked some years later why he thought Bucknell got through that tumultuous period without violence. The question was, 'What was Bucknell's secret?' and he answered, 'We talked, and we talked, and we talked,'" Pollock said.

Currently, the University is attempting to go about business as usual. According to Pollock, he does not believe there is as much personal investment as there was then.

"What I've observed so far has been a low-key response. It has not yet been front-page news in *The Bucknellian*. There have been rallies, but they have been fairly subdued," Pollock said.

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***—Charles Pollock** '70, vice president for student affairs*

POLITICS

Apathy . . . of Course

By MIKE GUIER

You and I, all of us, are hypocrites.

When the term "Silent Majority" is mentioned, we snicker, and images appear in our minds of sheep being led to the slaughterhouse. "Ignorant" we call those men and women struggling to make enough money to send their kids to college. "Affluent snobs" we call them. Materialistic . . . They don't have time to read a newspaper or a good book, but they "find" the time to watch a TV soap-opera or third-rate movie. About current events, most of them know practically nothing. Some of them vote, often showing their ignorance, and their votes determine our government officials.

It's true, and we should do something about it. But how can we expect to be taken seriously? Are we so much better? Are we such model citizens?

Many of us support the extension of voting rights to eighteen-year-olds. We point to the interest and activity of youth today, but can we be sure of that? Consider the most recent campus elections; there was no evidence of real student interest. The turnout was declared greater than in previous elections, and the placing of ballot boxes in fraternity houses was the reason cited. It seems that our student body has to be "encouraged" to vote.

Many of us don't vote, seldom participate in constructive extra-curricular activities, and, worst of all, don't CARE. At least if we do care, it isn't obvious. Again I ask, "Are we so much better than the notorious Silent Majority?"

Apathy is perhaps America's greatest problem today. Students across the nation gripe about their country's faults, but few are really working to help find solutions to our problems.

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Moratorium

This past weekend many people once again involved themselves in discussion about and demonstrations against the war in Vietnam. The activities centered around two distinct organizational efforts: The Moratorium and the New York March on Washington.

MORATORIUM

Locally

In Lewisburg, several events to promote more community discussion were planned by the Bucknell Moratorium, co-ordinated by Bill Hann, arrangements had been made with the churches for faculty to spend an evening with the local people. Presently, the proposed experimental pass/fail proposal for academic credit is in the committee of academic affairs. It was passed, but not without considerable debate. The first problem was in trying to decide what is passing when it comes to pass/fail.

Dr. Robert E. Shanabar, chairman of the chemical engineering department, questioned whether a grade of 'C', or 'D', should be the cutoff for a pass. He felt that since a 'C' average was required to graduate, a 'C' should be the lowest passable, a 'C' should be the lowest passing grade.

After much discussion, Dr. Alan I. Leshner, assistant professor of psychology, made the point, "what is a passing grade is up to the individual professor anyway, so the discussion is irrelevant." The point was dropped.

At this point the final two parts of the proposal, to have pass/fail seminars, and to make it possible for any department to present a pass/fail proposal to the faculty for consideration, was passed.

The Faculty, in an effort, reinstituted with the student body that it is concerned with issues most important to students. Those faculty members who devoted class time to discussion about the war also performed a valuable service to the students.

The Moratorium Committee also provided other activities for University involvement. There was a showing of the anti-war film "The War Game" Thursday, a Service for Peace Thursday night and poorly attended throughout the Moratorium, workshops in the Quad on how to make up armbands and mock funerals for deployment in the Quad, a concept for the classroom discussion of issues books about Vietnam, attention turned toward Washington.

MARCH ON WASHINGTON

Despite last minute efforts by local officials to discredit the March and create an unwelcome atmosphere in Washington, the New Mobe organized the largest demonstration in District's history. The Justice Department's attempt to establish nationals mood of potential violence so as to deter would-be participants from attending proved unsuccessful and embarrassing. An estimated total of ¾ of a million people marched in Washington on Thursday to Saturday expressing their desires for "immediate total withdrawal from Vietnam."

Small bands of militants instigated violence, but they were upstaged by the overwhelming majority of peaceful demonstrators. The restraint shown by the authorities and the marchers is a tribute to the individuals involved in the effort.

And the War goes on . . .

The Bucknellian, November 18, 1969

University Faculty Suspends Classes

By KEN WERNICK and ROBERT WENDEL

The faculty voted yesterday to support the concern of the student body regarding the Southeast Asian situation and to suspend normal University operations, including regularly - scheduled classes, thru

The University faculty approved yesterday, by a vote of for and 26 against, the following resolution pertaining to the University strike. The statement was prepared by Dr. Cleon Chenoweth, professor of political science. It stated:

"In view of recent decisions by President Nixon to broaden and widen the war in Southeast Asia;

and whereas division and polarization over the war is intensely prejudicial to our national priorities including the vital purposes of higher education;

and whereas concern over the war and its impact at homes and in the classrooms as well as in the streets as well as in the libraries and scholars;

it resolved that the faculty accept the concern of the student students as expressed in the slogan "On strike, open up and keep it open," and be further resolve to suspend normal university operations, including regularly scheduled classes, between May

Saturday by a vote of 91-54.

The motion was presented by Dr. Cleon Chenoweth, professor and chairman of the department of political science.

The faculty set a University precedent in its action formally criticizing the policies of a United States President.

Debate centered on the implications of the faculty's taking a position on a political issue. Dr. Jerome J. Hanus, assistant professor of business, stated "America has reached a moral crisis", and suggested support of the resolution.

Arguing against the resolution, Dr. David Lu, professor of history, considered the political role of a professional concern for the world-wide situation by saying, "Probably we are at a more difficult passage than we have ever been at before."

Student initiative influenced the faculty in passing the resolution, according to Chenoweth. He said, "The silence of the quad made us realize the importance with which the community viewed the situation."

William Cooper, professor of economics, said, "We've encouraged them (the students) to think the fruits of this. . . We are on trial today."

Chenoweth, in an interview with The Bucknellian, stressed that "we must examine why we exist as a University. Most colleges were founded by religious groups, looking for a way to make education relevant to people in everyday life."

He continued, "By its action today the University is telling the world that it is concerned with the war. The purpose will be political, but we would be political by remaining silent. Most importantly, by holding various alternatives" The next order of business was the proposed experimental pass/fail proposal. The entire motion of the committee of academic affairs was passed, but not without considerable debate. The first problem was in trying to decide what is passing when it comes to pass/fail.

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The Bucknellian *Editorial*

Students well-educated about Operation Iraqi Freedom

The results of a *Bucknellian* survey on Operation Iraqi Freedom indicated that 48 percent of the student body supports U.S. intervention in Iraq, while 31 percent are against the conflict. Additionally, 88 percent of the student body can identify the United States' purpose in Iraq.

The Bucknellian finds it very encouraging that the student body has engaged itself in both forming opinions about the Iraqi conflict and also educating itself about the various issues surrounding the war.

This is particularly significant considering the televised media coverage of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The conflict has been sensationalized to the point that viewers can no longer distinguish war programming from "Survivor," "Big Brother" or any other reality show.

A member of the Editorial Board claimed to overhear students leaving the Bison—presumably on their way back to their dorm to watch television—talking about watching the United States "blow stuff up."

This reaction to coverage of the bombings of Iraq is a result of the sensationalized televised coverage of the war. Viewers are treated to a play-by-play of U.S. actions and on-the-field reporting that is more comparable to a sporting event than an armed conflict.

Fortunately, the results of the survey indicate that University students are still actively searching for complete, nonbiased information and are relying on other sources, such as Web sites and newspapers, for this more accurate coverage of the conflict.

The impersonal and around-the-clock network coverage has failed to address some of the ethical implications and real-world effects, causing a sense of detachment from the war.

According to Vice President for Student Affairs Charles Pollock '70, students have not been taking advantage of the many services set up by the administration, nor have they approached Psychological Services to discuss the Iraqi conflict.

The Bucknellian feels that this is largely due to the fact that the campus—although well-educated about the war—has not yet felt the emotional burden of the war, partially due to the televised media coverage.

During the Vietnam War, communities throughout the United States actively protested the war, staging rallies that often, unfortunately, ended in violence. Operation Iraqi Freedom has not resulted in the same emotional response.

Perhaps it is the lack of the draft or the fact that there have been few American casualties so far that have resulted in a less emotional response on campus.

It also may be that the sensationalized media and the alienation caused by it leaves students feeling detached and separate from the conflict.

Still, detachment does not mean that students are apathetic, nor does it preclude them from holding strong and differing opinions. In working and researching this issue over the past week, *The Bucknellian* has learned that not acting on an opinion is certainly distinct from apathy or not having opinion.

Deans' conduct is arbitrary and unprofessional

By Tom Elliott
Senior Writer

For students that have dealt with the deans to any significant degree, it's hardly unreasonable to label their actions as arbitrary. Such was the case this latest House Party Weekend, when the deans held an "emergency meeting" in which they determined that Delta Upsilon Fraternity (DU) was unfit to host its planned weekend events.

This story traces back to the beginning of the semester when DU got into some trouble for a few varying offenses. In order to have House Party, DU was told it would have to do a few particular things; this was agreed upon, and the DU brothers were mandated to clean the campus at 9 a.m. on both Saturday and Sunday morning as well as, predictably, pay a hefty fine.

All was seemingly well and good, or so it seemed. Herb Lohmann '04, president of DU, said, "I was in and out of the deans' office all week dealing with House Party-related activities, but they never even mentioned that they were considering such a decision." Invariably, it came as quite a surprise when, on the day before House Party, Herb was informed that the deans had decided during their "emergency meeting" to disallow DU from hosting its planned events. The deans said that this was the result of the accumulation of violations and sanctions.

While they had previously been led to believe they would be able to host the weekend without any problem—including being able to register all of their events and receive wristbands—the deans then had a change of heart, which was brought on by three incidents that had occurred that week. The incidents were as such: two DU brothers getting in trouble for smoking marijuana, an apparent unregistered party and unruly DU fans at the March 22 lacrosse game.

Smoking marijuana is obviously not a kosher activity with our school, but the appropriateness of an entire fraternity being brought down by the actions of only a couple individuals seems dubious. From my earliest recollections here, it has never been the way the rules work. The administration dropped this policy when, in an eerily similar incident that occurred last year. Kappa Delta Rho Fraternity (KDR), of which I am a member, was also told the day before House Party that the $7,000 it had already put toward the weekend would be going down the drain, as its events had all been canceled. During that instance, the decision was arrived at after one KDR brother was similarly caught smoking marijuana.

The second supposed incident begs a brief tangent. I recently had the opportunity to meet our new dean of Greek life, Lewis Marrara. I was attempting to rent a flatbed truck for KDR's Saturday afternoon outdoor party, on which a band would perform. I was told that I needed Marrara's signature in order to acquire it. I introduced myself and then explained the situation; he told me that I was a day too late, and it had to be done the week prior, per Physical Plant guidelines. Having worked with the Physical Plant in the past, knowing them to be nice and accommodating people, I asked that if they happen to grant me an exception—as it was still almost a week before the event—would he then give me the needed signature. He very surprisingly asserted that he would never do that, even if it was OK with every party involved. He also adopted a hostile attitude early on into the exchange, which I felt to be unbecoming and certainly unprovoked.

The second incident came about after Marrara felt it appropriate to enter DU's basement Saturday afternoon, camera-in-tow, and photograph beer cans on the floor. From this "evidence" he made the judgment—from his one or two months experience as dean of Greek life—to determine that the night prior DU held an unregistered party. This was in fact quite false, laughably at that.

"The motivation for Marrara to randomly come into our basement, and only ours, seems to be somewhat suspect," Nate Streets '03 said.

The third and final incident was probably the biggest stretch. DU was told that one of the reasons the deans had suddenly decided to disallow it from partaking in House Party was because it had unruly fans at the lacrosse game that Saturday. First and foremost: If our school wants students to actually attend our athletic events, they should encourage such spirited, rowdy fan participation, not punish it. Secondly, and as is the case with the two aforementioned incidents, no charges were ever brought upon the fraternity. No one at the game was specifically cited, and when details were sought by the brotherhood, none were provided.

Even though the deans had entirely abandoned the normal judicial process from the get-go, DU was still afforded an appeal, which it took advantage of. There was another emergency meeting held Thursday night, this time with the brotherhood and Dean of Students Richard Ferraro. Marrara perplexingly refused to speak with the brothers. They gave Ferraro the appeal and were told they would get a response by noon the next day. By 2 p.m. the next day, no response had come, so Herb went to the deans' office to speak with Marrara. Again, Marrara refused to talk. Instead, Ferraro informed them that there appeal had been denied.

There are several troubling aspects to this situation. For one, waiting until the day before House Party to inform a fraternity that its $3,000-plus investment would be going down the poop pipes reeks of certain unprofessional situation handling. When Nate Streets asked how they had the authority to override the Council On Greek Life, the normal Greek judicial system, they received an answer to the effect of, "because we're deans." Also troubling was the arbitrary nature of the decision. Two other fraternities had actual and significant violations the week prior to House Party, where charges were actually filed, yet their houses met dissimilar fates.

A dean of Greek life who is unwilling to meet with the chapter in question, takes unusual steps to allocate "evidence" to bolster his reasoning for an atypical act of authority and who feels comfortable superseding the previously-set standards for judicial actions in only his first few months of the job, is certainly making quite the statement about his intended forthcoming role here.

Letters *to the editor*

Catalyst article explained

To the Editor:

This is in response to Aaron Hanlon's article "Catalyst editorial decisions questioned" wherein he critiques my article in The Catalyst. I was grateful for his discussion of former U.S. President Bill Clinton's politics, but dismayed that my feminist analysis of war and sex was overlooked, even ignored. I'm not surprised when the larger point of feminism is lost from any text that discusses sexual acts, but I find it inappropriate for Hanlon to declare the article is "careless" while neglecting its main theme in his analysis.

Hanlon does provide a fair critique of the premise behind the "campaign" "Blowjobs for Bush" by highlighting the '98 bombing of Iraq that I ignored in my article. I also left out other wars Clinton advocated, including the '92 bombing of Iraq and the Bosnian war. If my article was solely about this campaign, I would have no argument against his analysis.

Instead, my article discusses the problems behind this campaign to illustrate the larger problem of women's power during war. Hanlon shortens the title of my article from "Blowjobs for Bush: Feeling Ineffectual in a Time of War" to simply "Blowjobs for Bush." His analysis provides no hint that I would view my proposed campaign as problematic, which is far from the truth.

My intention was not to provide a complex political analysis of Clinton and U.S. President George W. Bush. This is obvious in my article. I use various rhetorical strategies to show that I do not take "Blowjobs for Bush" seriously and in fact want to draw on its humor.

While Hanlon argues that this "slick one-liner" is "counterproductive to its message," I claim that the language I use to describe "Blowjobs for Bush" does not send the message that people should take it seriously. My rhetoric becomes obvious (and to be taken as a joke) when I shorten the phrase to "BJ4B," state that it is "the solution" to war and colloquially use "screw" and "suck."

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I realize that my intentions may have failed. A critique that reduces my work to its most simplistic and basic level, while ignoring the main theme that war is an act of violence against women, is lazy and appropriates a harmful sexist bias.

Sincerely,
Courtney Spohn-Larkins '03

Management project announced

To the Editor:

Every year, University students taking Management 101 have a challenge to run a successful business company, while giving back to the community at the same time. This year, Company D, also known as D's Shorts, is no different.

Headed by CEO Michael Mathes '05, D's Shorts will be selling its Bucknell Mesh shorts to benefit Haven Ministries, a shelter for the homeless located in Sunbury. At Haven Ministries, the members of the group have been, and will continue to be, doing work repainting various rooms.

Additionally, Company D will be spending overnight visits to help the Haven Ministries staff free up some of its time, as someone needs to be in the building at all times.

In addition to this, at the end of the work, the members of D's Shorts will be hosting a dinner for the staff and the residents of Haven Ministries.

The shorts will be sold in the Langone Center from April 8-15, excluding Saturday and Sunday. Please come support Company D in their mission, and purchase a pair or two of D's Shorts.

Sincerely,

Mike McCarthy '03

Campus rally organizers thank attendees

To the Editor:

I am writing on behalf of the Conservatives Club to thank the many members of the University support staff who attended our March 28 Support Our Troops rally. It was touching to see people give up their lunch break in order to show their appreciation of the men and women of the United States Armed Forces—particularly the family whose son is in Iraq right now—and we are thrilled that we were able to sponsor an event that they deemed worthy of their participation. Thank you all so much.

Sincerely,

Denise Chaykun '04
President, Bucknell Conservatives Club

More information on Nicaraguan-made T-shirts

To the Editor:

I am writing you in regards to the article from last week's *Bucknellian* entitled "Greeks buy T-shirts from Nicaraguan co-op." First off, I want to say how pleased I am with the coverage that the article gave to the women's co-op and the Bucknell Brigade. It was wonderfully written and full of important information that we are glad you could help us spread on campus.

There was one mistake that we wanted to clarify for anyone interested in ordering T-shirts. The T-shirts that the Greek Week Committee ordered were not $8 but $6. The future price of orders may be different as we are working out a new price scale for orders with larger numbers yielding a cheaper price per shirt.

We also wanted to draw attention and thanks to some other people who were key contributors to making this purchase from the co-op happen. Dean of Students Lewis Marrara and Assistant Dean of Sorority and Fraternity Affairs Shauna Irwin helped in approving the use of the women's co-op. We must again thank the Greek Week Committee in all their work throughout Greek Week and for making the decision to use a worker-owned cooperative for the T-shirts. And finally, we thank the members of the March Brigade, led by Ben Colby '03, Kristine Kengor '03, Assistant Professor of Women's Studies and Anthropology Coralynn Davis and University Chaplan Ian Oliver. They lugged more than one thousand T-shirts back after an exhausting week of work down in Nueva Vida! Many thanks to you all of you!

Keep up the great work you are doing with *The Bucknellian* and thank you for the interesting articles!

Sincerely,

Katie Kohn '03
Bucknell Brigade Steering Committee

Opinions

Humanities and science: a tale of two studies

By Josh Fisher
Opinions Editor

What's the difference between a pizza and a liberal arts major? Well, a pizza can feed a family of five.

OK, so what does an engineering student use for contraception? His personality.

Ah, academia's most poignant witticisms. So what is the deal with the harsh opposition between these two fields of study, between scientists and artists? And where should the fence-straddling social sciences fit in?

"Sociology. Art history. Pshh. Political 'science'—a contradiction in terms, 'fluff' courses, they don't even compare to the rigor of physics, chemistry and engineering. Why else would liberal arts majors so rarely have class? Give me some nuclear spectroscopy annihilation peak data, the decay scheme of sodium-22 radioisotopes and six pack of beer, and I'll show you the nature of being." So say the scientists.

But the humanists always retort with sharp, funny and frequently nasty rebuttals. Oftentimes these arguments are more eloquent as well (is has to be the W2 requirement).

"Just because you can measure it doesn't mean it's important," they "The problem with science is that logic and rules are treated like deities. Science is a metaphor only dimly aware of itself as such—the humanities, on the other hand, are too important to be restricted by science's self-imposed shackles and structures." So argue the liberal arts majors.

And the scientists claim, "But if you are not grounding the study in logic, you are grounding it in nothing, and so it is inherently false—logic will take you from A to B."

And inevitably the liberal arts majors retort once again, "Ha! Logic will only allow you to think in strict accordance with the limitations and incapacities of human misunderstanding. Logic may take you from A to B, but imagination will take you everywhere."

In the fall of this year I will graduate with a double major in physics and anthropology—so I've been subject to both sides of the hostilities, and what I've noticed is that these two groups really have no quarrel at all.

Granted, liberal arts students invariably wince in pain when they hear anything having remotely to do with equations, superstring theory or relativity theory. But physics is at least worthy of serving as a thought experiment. Don't give up on the sciences altogether! The field may rest on cold, hard and impersonal logic, but that doesn't mean that it's entirely wrong across the board or that it doesn't still serve as an important footing for knowledge.

And then there are the science majors (and the engineers), who always assume that the humanities and the social sciences are so much easier than the engineering courses, and that the engineers must inevitably be smarter—fewer class hours, no labs, that's the lazy life. Or perhaps the science majors are just jealous of the intellectual freedom offered in the humanities. Who knows?

I understand that the sciences may be rather restrictive to the mind —you know, all those laws and rules you have to obey ... Last week in my general relativity physics course we discussed Kruskal-Szekeres diagrams of singularities and theoretical black holes (yeah, like anyone really knows what those are), and you know what I ended up learning? Well, beyond absolutely nothing, that I couldn't even travel to a parallel universe if I wanted to! More than slightly annoyed, I managed to avoid the expletive, grimaced and said to myself, "Three years of physics courses, and I can't even travel to a parallel universe?"

The beautiful thing about the humanities, in my opinion, is that they examine our deeply personal, lived experiences (slightly more significant in daily life than black hole theory and singularities).

So in the end, I realize the value of the sciences in giving direction to the future of the liberal arts. And ultimately it comes down to nothing more than individual preference.

My personal preference is to side with the humanities because, after all, science tends to vindicate its "truth" with a technological prowess that hastens the destruction of the everyday lived experiences ... also I had a bad experience in a math course once.

The price of free speech is vigilance

By Michael Niebauer
Senior Writer

Late in the 1980s, corporate media companies lobbied hard to have the Fairness Doctrine overturned by the Federal Communications Commission. The media guidelines regulated talk shows on radio and television in the area of content or programming. Programmers were strongly encouraged to provide representatives of both sides of controversial issues within their programs. This encouraged a debate format on a wide range of issues and an environment of broad station ownership provided a healthy forum for spirited public debate. The large media companies got their way and the regulation was overturned under the Reagan administration. The forum of the national electronic town meeting was effectively and publicly silenced through the effective use of campaign contributions to political party operatives of both parties.

Corporations like Clear Channel Communications then began to lobby for the relaxation of ownership-limitation requirements in markets, which kept station ownership diverse especially in the smaller media markets.

Within two years programs, like the one hosted by conservative Rush Limbaugh and the local cloned programs patterned after his format were filling up the airwaves with conservatively-screened callers and one-sided views on the topics of the day. Debate is no longer the goal. Instead, a well-produced spectacle that gets listeners and advertisers is the goal. This is how liberal radio talk shows became extinct.

Media concentration became a reality when the Clinton administration relaxed ownership standards through the 1996 Telecommunication Act, allowing corporate media giants like Clear Channel to dominate entire media markets. Locally, Williamsport AM and FM radio outlets are predominantly owned by Clear Channel. This is how, through contract, Limbaugh gets access to over 600 stations. Limbaugh's dominance is considerable in the broadcasting industry and so is Clear Channel Communications' 1200 radio-station empire, operated from Texas.

Clear Channel has been vilified in the press for its "heavy-handedness" in running its radio stations and in its management of concert venues. Record companies and artists state that Clear Channel consistently drives up concert ticket prices. Artists also complain that Clear Channel is a major culprit responsible for the growing blandness of radio program playlists in the United States. One outcome of the high ticket prices is illustrated by the fact that Paul McCartney was the highest concert draw last year because promoters could market his "brand name" at the expense of promotion budgets for newer acts. McCartney has not had a hit in years, but "boomer" memories are ripe for the picking. Baby boomers can afford to pay the price, but younger concert-goers suffer from fewer artist choices that speak to their generational tastes. This targeting makes for a blander, safer kind of music in general, as a centralized, controlling media concentrates its message to the public.

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Artists like Ani DiFranco are beginning to encounter harassment from Clear Channel. The corporation attempted to bar groups from distributing protest literature at a recent Ani DiFranco concert in New Jersey. According to PeacenotWar.org, "Clear Channel Entertainment also threatened to pull the plug on DiFranco or anyone else that made anti-war statements on stage."

PeacenotWar.org also reported, "Clear Channel forbade the peace group Not in Our Name (NION) from setting up an information table at the venue or to allow their posters and literature to be available at DiFranco's merchandise tables. To DiFranco's credit, her manger decided to let a representative of NION speak on stage. Clear Channel moved to pull the plug. DiFranco said through her manager that 'If the venue stops the speakers from addressing the audience, Ani will not perform.' The plug was not pulled. NION was joined onstage by various speakers and journalists. DiFranco then fulfilled her contracted obligation and performed to a receptive crowd."

Vigilance will be required if the right to speak out is to be preserved. Regardless of your feelings on the opinions of the Dixie Chicks, Bill Maher, Rush Limbaugh, Michael Moore, Tim Robbins, James Woods, Ani DiFranco or Charlton Heston, corporate media types should not determine personal speech rights for anyone. Financial resources and campaign contributions should not qualify Clear Channel as a constitutional judge. Any chilling, decadent lapses toward a type of 1950's style McCarthyism over public speech should be fought by us all. DiFranco shamed Clear Channel and we all should go on shaming corporate misbehavior when it assumes a role that it clearly should not.

The other half of your balanced reporting on Iraq

By Tim Hinkle
Staff Writer

So we figured it would go easy in Iraq. They told us we would secure Iraq and "liberate" its people in a few short days. They told us we would expect little resistance and that the people and the military of Iraq would rally around our cause in the desire to be free of the tyranny of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. Well, if you've been paying attention, you're beginning to see that this is absolutely and categorically false.

Back in the summer of 2002, the U.S. military did extensive preparation and training for Iraqi-like war scenarios called Millennium Challenge '02. The outcome of these exercises gave the military much hope that a possible war with Iraq would be relatively swift and without loss of life. We're finding out now that this is not the case at all. Retired Gen. Paul Van Riper, who led the war-games' opposing force, said he "worries the United States will send troops into combat using doctrine and weapons systems based on false conclusions from the recently concluded Millennium Challenge '02." He was so disgusted with the scripted nature and forced outcome of Millennium Challenge '02 that he quit midway through the $250 million, three-week war game.

If you've somehow been paying attention through the University's "bubble," then you've certainly realized that the war isn't going exactly as we planned. This is hard information to come by when you begin to see the widespread censorship of anti-war ideas and unfavorable reporting. NBC recently severed ties with a veteran war journalist for making comments about how the administration's war plans had failed in their initial implementation, despite that his comments were "analytical in nature and were not intended to be anything more." From Clear Channel Entertainment, a massive media conglomerate that controls the vast majority of radio stations in the United States effectively banning any anti-war ideas, to MTV refusing to air any videos that include the words "bombing" or "war," to U.S. President George W. Bush complaining about how reporters were questioning the details of the U.S. war in Iraq, we can see that freedom of speech and expression is not a valued concept in a time of war.

On the humanitarian front, this war is a nightmare for the people of Iraq. Due to Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld's decision to send decidedly fewer troops than the Pentagon originally asked for, America's relentless push towards Baghdad has left much of the rest of Iraq under the control of Iraqi militants. Sure, we hear sporadic reports of Iraqi citizens rising up against their oppressors, but this is hardly widespread. At the same time some are also fighting against coalition forces. Why, you ask, are the people of Iraq not welcoming their American and British "liberators" with open arms? Well, if you don't remember the first Gulf War, the Iraqi people certainly do. When Americans rolled into Iraq the first time, they encouraged Iraqi civilians to rise up against Hussein, and then quickly and quietly retreated, allowing Hussein to violently and ruthlessly put down their American-inspired rebellion. So forgive them if they don't trust our intentions. Coalition forces also recently bombed Iraqi television offices in violation of the Geneva Convention.

What we are not seeing reported on American television stations is a balance of images. After complaints from Administration and media officials about American dead and POWs being shown on television, the American media has repeatedly shown Iraqi dead and POWs. Reporting on a war without showing its real effects is ridiculous. What about those unfortunate civilian casualties, those people who get to be named "collateral damage?"

U.S. Sgt. Schrumpf, recalling one such incident in which an Iraqi woman was unfortunately standing near a group of Iraqi soldiers and was gunned down by U.S. forces, said, "I'm sorry, but the chick was in the way." According to embedded reporter Mark Franchetti of the *Times of London*, American troops, under orders to shoot anything that moved, recently opened fire of a group of Iraqi citizens attempting to flee the town of Nasiriya, which was under heavy Iraqi bombardment.

How can you mention humanitarian crises without mentioning the town of Basra? Although what happened is still not exactly clear, some reports indicate that after two U.S. precision-guided bombs struck a crowded marketplace, a nightmarish scenario unfolded. According to Robert Frisk in *The Independent*, "At least 15 cars burst into flames, burning many of their occupants to death. Several men tore desperately at the doors of another flame-shrouded car in the center of the street that had been flipped upside down by the same missile. They were forced to watch helplessly as the woman and her three children inside were cremated alive in front of them." After initially reporting that coalition forces had secured Basra, they left soon after for Baghdad, leaving the town open for Hussein's forces, which returned the following day. Ah, sweet, sweet liberation.

What is the deal with small talk?

By Jordy Leiser
Writer

My roommate says that small talk is essential for a society to function. So let me get this straight, the following conversation is necessity for the American culture to operate:

"Hey! What's up?"
"Not much, how are you?"
"I'm good, thanks."
"Later, man."

This is about as necessary as Dennis Rodman dressing in a wedding gown for his book signing party. Is the point of this exchange to actually find out if the person with whom you are talking is actually doing well? I would say ... no.

The above exchange of uninterested questions and responses is so embedded in our culture and our language that I occasionally hear people repeat lines of the conversation in a completely wrong context, only out of habit. For example, have you ever heard this one?

"Hi, Jack! How are you doing?"
"Oh, nothing much, what are you doing?"
"I'm alright."

First of all, how stupid do you sound when you give a response like, "Oh, nothing much" to a question that asks you how you are doing? How, in case you have forgotten, is a question of manner, way, degree or extent. How am I doing? I'm doing nothing? That makes no sense! What about the people who, when you ask them what they are doing, say, "I'm doing good." First off, that is just terrible grammar. Secondly, and more importantly, it's a habitual response that makes absolutely no sense.

If it were up to me, I would completely get rid of the whole "Hi, how are you" tête-à-tête and replace it with a new word, something completely random and arbitrary like, "Seegarf!" Since the discourse has completely lost all of its meaning, we are better off saying a word that has no real meaning except to acknowledge the indicated person.

Another form of small talk is not so much what is said, but more what is nodded. Yeah, that's right, the nod. What situation, calls for the "up nod?" The one where you jolt your chin up about half an inch, usually directed at a specific individual? I think that's the, "Yo, what up, man?" nod. He or she is likely a pretty close friend, and on occasion a one or two fingers point may be directed in said person's vicinity.

Next you have the "slant nod." This can signal two things. One, if you want a person to come closer to you, you'll usually rock the slant nod. Secondly, the slant nod can come from a sitting small talker who has to turn his or her head to see the person with whom the small talk will be exchanged, and the up nod will be performed with a turned head, creating another variation of the slant nod.

Finally, the small talk of all small talks, AOL Instant Messenger (IM). OK, I understand it has a purpose, but please don't abuse the powers of the internet chat box. I'm limiting my time on IM, and when I'm on, you better believe I know what I'm doing. For example:

"Yo, Erns, what time are we playing?"
"5:30, Dawg."
"OK, who's coming?"
"Brangle, T-bot, Keniff, Karesy, Troasty and Joey."
"Word."

There you have it. The night is squared away in five short lines of bona fide college vernacular. When people start throwing out sarcastic comments, joking comments, serious comments, ridiculous comments, drunken comments or any other kinds of comments that don't concisely satisfy the answer to the simple who, what, where, when, why or how questions, it's an abuse of the power of the chat box.

It's nearly impossible to avoid sticky small talk situations. Remember what I said about the clichéd exchange. Are you genuinely concerned about how the person is doing? Unless you're truly interested in how I'm doing or what the hell is going on in my life, just sport me the slant nod next time you see me and holler out a relaxing, smooth ... "Seegarf!"

America's urgent war on hunger

By Nicole Wiederspiel
Staff Writer

I have been fighting—through peaceful means—with my pacifist tendencies for a while now. We live in a society where pacifists are dreamers, idealists, fools—cowards. I always ask myself: Can war ever be justified if it will kill in order to save lives in the future? To this I have no answer.

But I do know that the war in Iraq spells unspeakable disaster, and I am afraid. Disaster for us, disaster for them, disaster for humanity—and I wonder: What is my future in America, a country that I love, as a war and violence hater? How do I contend with those who say I am anti-American and unpatriotic, and how do I contend with visions of a bleak and violent future?

I guess first I ought to tell you why I am so virulently against war, and this war in particular.

I like this quote in particular from, ironically, former U.S. President Dwight Eisenhower: "Every gun that is made, every warship launched, every rocket fired, signifies in a final sense a theft from those who hunger and are not fed—those who are cold and are not clothed. This world in arms is not spending its money alone—it is spending the sweat of its laborers, the genius of its scientists, the hopes of its children."

As I see it, it is criminal to be dropping bombs on Iraq or anywhere else because it does nothing but increase human suffering. There is indeed a great evil in Iraq. It is oppressive, murderous and brutally destructive, and I am not talking about Iraq President Saddam Hussein. It needs urgent action, and requires Westerners to promptly change their way of life.

I'm talking about poverty and hunger, and a disproportionate number of people on this planet suffer from its consequences every single day. If we have the technology to make weapons of mass destruction, then surely we can figure out how to provide enough food for every person on the planet.

"They are exacerbating this crisis by dropping bombs and creating terror—as if the Iraqi people haven't suffered enough under Hussein's regime."

We have the resources to feed everyone, yet an estimated 24,000 die every day from starvation. Technology has failed us and there can never be any human progress in my mind until people are no longer denied the most basic human right—the right to life.

Yet we are waging war in Iraq, promising to rid the country of a despot and bringing glorious democracy to an oppressed region. Proponents of the war forget that people can't enjoy democracy and political freedoms when they are dead, and I am too cynical to truly believe that the United States and the United Kingdom will remain in Iraq after the war is over to ensure a peaceful transition to a new government. The United States left Afghanistan in a state in crisis, and it will do it again.

The war that must be fought is the war against poverty and hunger, and it cannot be fought through handouts and charity, but through a change in foreign policy, Western habits of over consumption and global awareness.

Our administration, if it indeed is in Iraq to "help" the Iraqi people—which can certainly be debated—ought to be more concerned with the human rights crisis that has existed there. They are exacerbating this crisis by dropping bombs and creating terror—as if the Iraqi people haven't suffered enough under Hussein's regime.

If believing this makes people think that I am anti-American because I don't think the Americans "over there" are heroes—although I pray that they will come home safely—then I challenge them to consider what America represents, because currently it is representing violence and oppression.

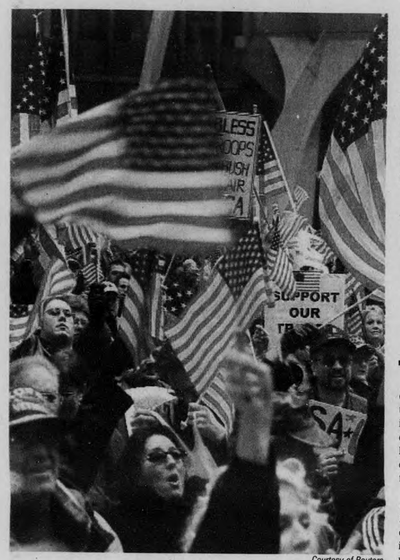
BUSINESS & POLITICS

Divided: student perspectives on Iraqi conflict

Iraqi war criticism narrow-minded

By Jim Leahy
Senior Writer

Operation Iraqi Freedom is a hotly contested conflict around the world. Nations sending troops into battle oppose it. Our neighbors to our north and south oppose it. Traditional allies oppose it. We seem to be alone in the world. On top of all that, many Americans oppose the war. There seem to be daily protests. We even see anti-war sentiment on campus.



Courtesy of Reuters

Pro-war supporters gather to demonstrate their support in Chicago's Federal Plaza. Leahy feels U.S. patriotism remains, despite anti-war sentiment.

At the same time, American patriotism remains. There are rallies supporting our president and our troops. We are continuing with our great pastimes—the NCAA basketball tournaments went off as scheduled and even the baseball season we nationally adore began, with former President George Bush throwing out the first pitch in Cincinnati. In addition, we pray for the safety of our troops in our religious services and whenever else we can.

Some of the criticism is certainly valid, but it is narrow-minded. Civilians will die and are dying. But, the Iraqi government uses human shields to protect its own army. Due to the threat of suicide bombers, incidents occur at checkpoints like the one where forces killed 10 women and children when they failed to stop. Our precision-guided bombs and missiles are never perfect, yet they work remarkably well most of the time.

Global support under the auspices of the U.N. Security Council would certainly have helped our cause. There is no doubt about that, but there are a number of nations standing alongside us to support our efforts to free the Iraqi people. This is not going to be an easy rebuilding—in Iraq and around the world—once the war is over, but the United States and the international community can do it.

The following are 10 things that I am reminded of when watching and reading the war's news and events. They remind me why we fight and why I continue to supported this war.

First, President George W. Bush and his administration are doing a good job. The president's approval rating is above 60 percent and he is working to ensure that our forces are equipped to execute this war. We continue to send troops overseas to back up those already in Iraq. His administration has the experience to carry out this war and, despite the internal debate we hear, it feels good about its mission and will stop at nothing to carry it out.

Second, our casualty rates are low. One tough thing we have working against us is that we know the names, faces and families of the troops seconds after they die. When we consider how dangerous war really is, it is amazing that we are losing as few as we are. The Iraqi army is overmatched and losing troops in numbers that far overshadow ours.

Third, look at *New York Times* pictures of our Marines holding children and making sure they get the necessary care. We are keeping them safe and intend to give them a chance to enjoy a new era of Iraq.

Fourth, the amount of humanitarian aid that will continue flowing into Iraq is staggering and vital. We will be working hard over the next several months to ensure that Iraqi citizens have safe food and water and get access to medical care.

Fifth, this is a war of liberation. Operation Iraqi Freedom seeks to change the oppressive regime in Baghdad and give liberation to the Iraqi people, not kill them.

Sixth, this war is not about oil. We are not going to own Iraqi oil fields once it is over. We want to preserve an amazing source of subterranean wealth so that Iraq has a good source of revenue to rebuild. Americans will benefit from lower oil prices only because Iraqi oil is pumped by and for the Iraqi people.

Seventh, we are not colonizers. We do not intend to hold Iraq any longer than it takes to install a peaceful regime in Baghdad. Our coalition forces are riding, not conquering, Iraqi cities of Hussein and the Ba'ath Party's influences so the citizens can have the cities for themselves.

What they must remember is that we are fighting for a good cause and now is the time to support the government, not create more division.

Eighth, our troops are fighting for our safety and security. They voluntarily put their lives on the line so we can continue to live in a free nation. It is inspiring to see injured soldiers want to return to the battlefield. We should be in debt to them.

Ninth, we are fighting for the freedoms that allow this university to exist. The fact that we can study at a private university of this caliber in beautiful Lewisburg is something to be thankful for. And remember, so many of those soldiers could be here with us. Instead, they are on the front lines defending our freedom.

Tenth, we are fighting for what puts the ink on this page. The right to freedom of speech is something not granted in Iraq. Those people live in fear every day knowing that any speech against Hussein will get them killed. This is no way to live. We are working to ensure that they will have the same freedoms we so vehemently defend here.

Finally, I must say that some sentiments expressed by people are plainly dumb. "Freedom Fries," "Freedom Toast," not wearing Hermes ties, throwing out French wines, booing national anthems and mutilating flags are stupid things. People do have the right to protest the government. What they must remember is that we are fighting for a good cause and now is the time to support the government, not create more division.

Americans want answers, not war

By Michael Dudzinski
Staff Writer

Why all the controversy about invading Iraq? Despite what the Bush administration has said to the public and national media, the case with Iraq draws on global proportions. It's about the few controlling the wealth and resources of the Middle East, a goal that has been postponed since the badly miscalculated projections by the United States after the Gulf War.

Expecting opposition groups in Iraq to overtake Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, the Republican Guard and his Ba'ath regime during the aftermath of Desert Storm, the United States was very optimistic regarding the possibility of working with a new "puppet" regime in 1992 in order to reap huge profits in rebuilding the war-torn country. In finding that such a circumstance would never materialize, the pundits of the first Bush administration have regrouped to reassess and re-enact their goal 11 years later.

What we have is an illegitimate president, fostering an illegitimate war, for an illegitimate cause.

According to Newsweek, the love affair between the United States and Iraq ended abruptly in 1986 when Iraq had learned that the United States had been secretly sending arms to its enemy, Iran. Since the Ayatollah Khomeni took over Iran in 1979, the United States had shifted its focus to the improvement of relations with Iraq in order to maintain social and economic stability in the region.

Newsweek also reported that former U.S. President Ronald Reagan sent Donald Rumsfeld, president of G.D. Searle & Co., a worldwide pharmaceutical company, to meet with Hussein in 1983 as a special envoy to discuss oil contracts and other economic interests. Even more frightening was Rumsfeld's objective to negotiate the sale of biological and chemical weapons to Hussein as a means of defense in Iraq's war against Iran.

The 1980s U.S.-Iraq honeymoon was also characterized by a wag-the-dog policy towards Iraq. After the Shah fell in 1979, Iraq was taken off the list of international terrorism and given an annual grant from the United States and funded extensively throughout the Iran-Iraq War. CNN revealed declassified documents suggesting Rumsfeld traveled to Baghdad at a time when Iraq was using chemical weapons on an "almost daily" basis in defiance of international conventions. Under relaxed U.S. policy, the Reagan-Bush Administration turned the other cheek when Iraqi forces nearly sunk the USS Stark in 1987, killing 37 naval personnel.

MSNBC briefly posted a statement last month revealing that a review of thousands of declassified government documents and interviews with former policymakers showed that U.S. intelligence and logistical support played a crucial role in shoring up Iraqi defenses against the "human wave" attacks of suicidal Iranian troops. The administrations of Reagan and former U.S. President George Bush authorized the sale to Iraq of many items that had both military and civilian applications, including poisonous chemicals and deadly biological viruses. The Reagan administration decided to support Iraq as much as possible, without appearing to do so.

Courtesy of Reuters

Anti-war protesters demonstrate in front of the White House. According to Dudzinski, the case for invading Iraq has not been made.

In 1996, CNN reported that Rumsfeld sent a private memo to U.S. President Bill Clinton urging a U.S.-led takeover of Iraq in relevance to the vital oil and mineral resources that exist there. Rather than purchase Iraqi oil at the issued price per gallon, the goal was to conquer and control the oil market for personal gain and for the economic well-being of the United States.

Regardless of the strategic political and economic importance of Iraq to the United States, the case for invading Iraq has not yet been made. What we have is an illegitimate president, fostering an illegitimate war, for an illegitimate cause.

Most surprising about the Iraqi case in the war on terror is that Hussein does not support or harbor terrorists for simple reasoning that it would justify his removal from power.

It is only justifiable that the Bush administration continues to conceal the real cause for invading Iraq. The events of Sept. 11 were inexcusably used as an opportune pretext by the Bush administration to occupy Iraq for economic and political capital.

The American people want an answer, and war is not it. By way of deception and refusal to accept the wishes of the public and international community, the Bush administration illegally orchestrated an invasion of Iraq on March 19. Contrary to popular opinion, war will only result in anti-Americanism and more terrorism at home and abroad.

If that fact does not serve as a compelling explanation of why war should be avoided in Iraq, then the people of the United States need to reassess the meaning of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

History does repeat itself, and those who do not learn from the errors of the past are doomed to repeat them. One interesting statement made by a former Nazi general at the Nuremberg trials indicates that these lessons from our forefathers need to be given more consideration and significance. Here is one lesson that rings loudly today, a statement made by Hermann Goering, who was once a master of deception:

"Why of course the people don't want war…But after all it is the leaders of the country who determine the policy, and it is always a simple matter to drag the people along, whether it is a democracy, or a fascist dictatorship, or a parliament, or a communist dictatorship….Voice or no voice, the people can always be brought to the bidding of the leaders. That is easy. All you have to do is to tell them they are being attacked, and denounce the pacifists for lack of patriotism and exposing the country to danger."

History is repeating itself. The case with Iraq has marked the pinnacle of propaganda and deception in the United States. Such realization is enough to justify the discontent and opposition of the American people towards the current president and his administration.

Violence may end Maoist rebellion

By David LaRoss
Staff Writer

For seven years, Nepal has been host to what has become a rare phenomenon in the post-Cold War era—a popular communist-inspired uprising. Talks that began on Tuesday may include definitive negotiations between the Nepali government and the Maoist rebels. Regardless of, whether those talks succeed, they might mark the end of the most violent period in the rebellion's history. Of the 7,200 total deaths in the uprising, 5,500 came in the 14 months since the last truce, and the state of emergency declared by King Gyanendra in August 2001 was not lifted until November 2002.

The announcement of the talks came on March 28, almost two months after the sides agreed to a ceasefire. According to the Associated Press, that ceasefire came only days after the insurgency allegedly killed Krishna Mohan Shrestha, inspector general of Nepal's Armed Police. The assassination, which CNN called "a major escalation" in the rebellion, took place on Jan. 26. The Nepali government and the rebels jointly declared a ceasefire three days later. At the same time, the government announced that it was rescinding its classification of the rebels as "terrorists" and canceling both the bounty it placed on the leaders of the movement and its standing request to Interpol for their arrest.

"The government wishes that all problems be solved through dialogue," Minister for Information and Communication Ramesh Nath Pandey said after an emergency Cabinet meeting, according to CNN. "We will resolve our differences on the basis of patriotism and according to monarchical culture."

That "monarchical culture" is at the heart of the conflict. Despite the roots they claim in the philosophy of Chinese communist leader Mao Tse-tung, the Nepali rebels are fighting to replace the constitutional monarchy with a representative government with free elections, not any kind of Marxist system.

According to *The New York Times*, their most immediate demand has been for the swift dissolution of the monarchy, to be replaced by an interim government while a new constitution is written and approved by an elected assembly.

The last peace talks were held in 2001 and broke off after only three meetings, after the Maoist negotiators accused the government of being "inflexible," according to CNN.

The most recent talks have not yet begun in any substantive sense. Though representatives from both sides met on Tuesday, that meeting was "only a goodwill meeting between the two sides," government negotiator and Minister for Physical Planning Narayan Singh Pun told CNN.

Even the agenda for the talks has not yet been set, although it will follow in some way a 22-point plan released in early March, which includes the release of all prisoners on both sides.

"We have presented the Maoist leaders with a proposal of what the agenda should be and they said they appreciate our efforts in this peace process," Pun said to CNN.

The seven-year rebellion has seriously hurt the economy of Nepal. As one of the poorer countries on the Pacific Rim, its revenues heavily rely on tourism and agriculture, both of which have been disrupted by the fighting. Foreign visits in particular have declined, as evidenced by the U.S. State Department's recommendation that American travelers avoid Nepal altogether, saying that it poses "significant risks." Even in light of the recent ceasefire, a State Department press release warns that "a return to violence at any time is possible," and reminds American citizens of the sudden breaking of the 2001 ceasefire that led to significantly and suddenly increased hostilities.

The Nepali newspaper *Rajdhani* said in an editorial reacting to the ceasefire, translated by *The New York Times*, "This is very good news for the nation. This is also the rarest opportunity in the nation's history and the most challenging one."

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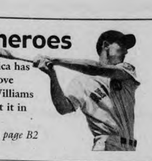

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Bison win three straight over Holy Cross

Bucknell baseball takes three out of four games in the team's first Patriot League series of the year

By Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

The Bucknell baseball team's first Patriot League series of the year was a successful one, as the Bison took three out of four games against Holy Cross over the weekend. The team defeated the Crusaders on both ends of a doubleheader on March 29, 5-4 and 3-2 and split a doubleheader on March 31, winning 8-6 and losing 5-1.

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The second doubleheader was initially scheduled for March 30, but in keeping with the trend of cancellations due to the elements this season, both games had to be postponed due to rain. The Bison were back on the diamond Monday to square off against the Crusaders at Holy Cross.

The first of the two games included a stirring comeback from the Bison, who found themselves in a 6-0 hole by the third inning. The team struggled to get on base until the fourth inning, when they began to eat away at Holy Cross' lead with a four-run frame.

After Brian Day '05 was walked, Brian Hirschberg '04, Austin Barrett '05 and Ben Krentzman '03 all knocked out singles, with Day and Hirschberg scoring on Krentzman's hit. With Krentzman on second and Barrett on third, a wild pitch hit the dirt and bounced off of the catcher's shin guard, allowing Barrett to head for home and Krentzman to advance to third. The catcher's attempt to flip the ball to the pitcher went awry, allowing both Bison to score.

The Bison knotted the score in the sixth inning and then jumped ahead with two more runs. Barrett kicked off the inning with a double into right field, and Krentzman followed with a single to put runners on the corners for the Bison. Barrett then scored as Kyle Walter '06 reached on error. A walk and a fielder's choice left the bases loaded for Ben Stoll '04, who singled home Pete Wolf '04 and Walter for the go-ahead run. Stoll's seventh stolen base of the season and a Sam Moss '04 single loaded the bases, and Krentzman scored the fourth run of the inning when Day was hit by a pitch.

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Starting pitcher Zach Allen '03 held Holy Cross scoreless in the fourth and fifth innings, while Cory Nadler '04 pitched a scoreless sixth and Phil Futrick '06 pitched a quick seventh inning to earn his fourth save of the season.

Allen pitched five innings, allowing seven hits and four earned runs while striking out seven en route to his third win of the year.

Allen is happy with the team's efforts in the opening series.

"This opening series with Holy Cross went very well," Allen said. "Although we would have liked to take four from them, three wins was very good. As a team we played very well, but need to improve on all aspects of our game in this coming week to prepare for Navy."

The team's effort in climbing out of the 6-0 hole was proof of the squad's resilience, according to Head Coach Gene Depew.

"In the third game we came from a six-run deficit to win and that is the mark of a good team," Depew said.

The second game of the doubleheader brought the Bison their first Patriot League loss of the season, as they fell to the Crusaders 5-1.

The lone run for the Orange and Blue came on Hirschberg's fourth home run of the season, which gave the team a 1-0 in the second inning.

The lead was short-lived, as Holy Cross came to life in the fourth inning, scoring three runs on four hits. The Crusaders tacked on another pair of runs in a four-hit fifth inning, putting them ahead 5-1, which ended up being the final score of the game.

Although the first game on Monday was a gutsy effort, the second pair of games of the series revealed some weaknesses that the Bison need to improve upon, according to Assistant Coach Rick Ciccione.

"This weekend was bittersweet for us," Ciccione said. "While we were able to win three of four games, we saw some things that were cause for concern. Holy Cross is the poorest team in the conference, and we were very nearly swept by them."

Ciccione pointed out that some of the team's strong points earlier in the season were less than dependable in the Holy Cross series, but he also emphasized the promising tenacity the team displayed.

"Our starting pitching wasn't as dominating as it has been, our offense still strikes out too frequently, and our defense was inconsistent," Ciccione said. "With that said, to battle back from behind and win three close games says a lot about our resiliency."

Starting pitcher and co-captain R.J. Grant '03 also took note of the concerns caused by the close calls.

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Track competes in Raleigh Relays

By Evan Honeyfield
Staff Writer

Bucknell's track and field teams had many big performances as they split their squads between the Susquehanna Invite and the Raleigh Relays at N.C. State on March 28-29.

Theresa Dennis '03 and Angie McFarland '05 led the womens team. Dennis ran 36 minutes, 18 seconds in a very competitive 10k field at Raleigh that saw four women dip under the NCAA automatic qualifying time. McFarland was ruled very successful on the field at Susquehanna as she won the hammer, only two centimeters shy of the NCAA regional mark, and took second in both the discuss and the shot put.

Head Coach Kevin Donner was very happy with both girls' performances.

"Theresa Dennis ran a great race in the 10k and Angie McFarland had an outstanding day at Susquehanna. [Dennis] looks like she can place top 5 at ECACs," Donner said.

The women's sprint medley team of Amy Calvo '05, Charity Brady '03, Rainy Lanewala '05 and Nicki Piper '03 also ran a solid race at Raleigh.

The men were led by an NCAA regional qualifying javelin throw from Justin McKnight '03 and a one-foot personal best in the pole vault from Justin Alden-Dunn '06.

"Alden-Dunn's vault was a pleasant surprise mainly because he is a freshman," Donner said. "He really comes to play on competition days. It's good to see

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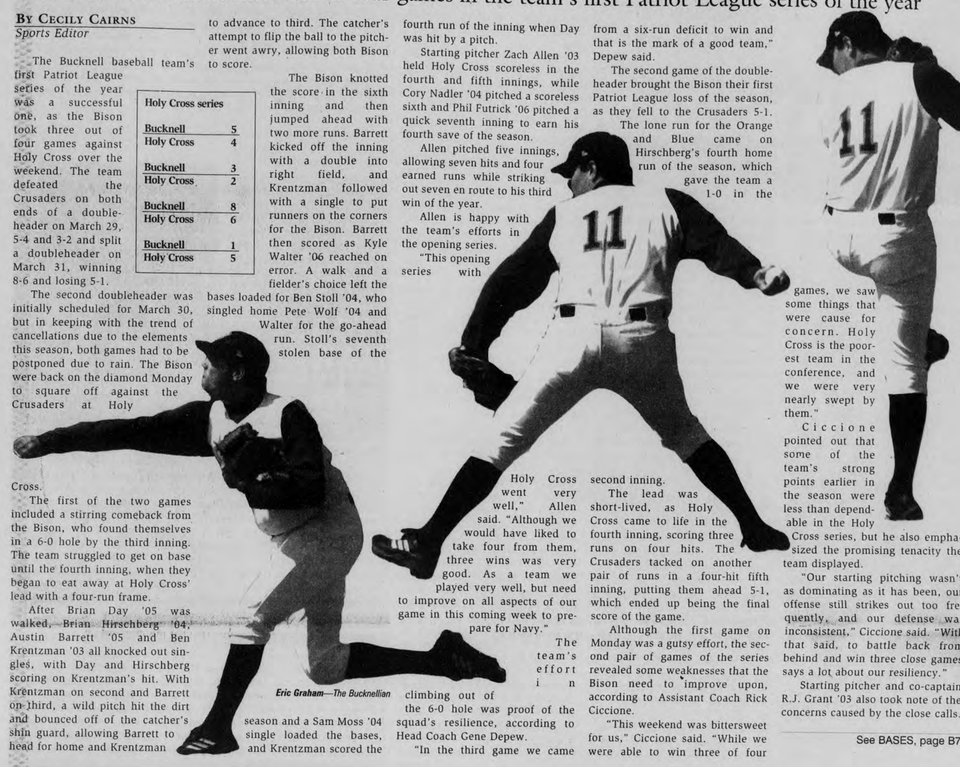
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A Bison player pursues a Villanova rival during a game on Wednesday. The Bison have defeated Hobart and Villanova in their past two games.

Women's tennis edges out Lafayette

The team is now 9-1 overall and 1-0 in the Patriot League after win over Leopards

By Pat Evans
Sports Editor

The Bison women's tennis team was tied 3-3 after the singles bouts but was able to win the crucial doubles point to beat Lafayette 4-3 in a league game at home. The team is now 9-1 overall and 1-0 in the Patriot League. The men's team has continued to have difficulty, dropping 6-1 to Lafayette, 7-0 to Navy and 7-0 to American and is now 1-10 overall and 0-1 in league play.

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Veronica Brown '06 got the wins started for the women with a 6-3, 6-1 straight set victory over Lily Fardshisheh at No. 2. Jill Wurzburg '03 followed with a solid 7-5, 7-6 (3) win against Shannon Rowe at the third flight.

Rheanna Gaskin '06 helped to keep the Orange and Blue in the match with a 6-1, 6-2 win over fifth-flight opponent Lisa Fung-Kee-Fung, and the Bison were tied 3-3 after singles play.

"We were lucky to pull it out," Head Coach Rebecca Helt said. "We didn't play up to our potential in singles play where we should have won the match."

Fortunately for the Bison, the doubles teams were on top of their games and able to achieve the win. Brown and Nadezda Curcic '05 picked up an 8-5 win at the first flight.

Wurzburg and Samantha Berthod '04 secured the Bucknell victory with an 8-4 defeat at No. 3.

"The two doubles teams really stepped it up," Gaskin said. "They really won the match for us."

The Bison have had tremendous help from their underclassmen this year as Gaskin is undefeated in singles play and Brown is playing phenomenally at a high spot in the lineup. Brown's play earned her the Patriot League Player of the Month award for March.

The men have been unable to get on track, losing their last three matches to difficult opponents. The Lafayette competition was the closest of the three.

Despite Gerald DiChiara '05 being the lone winner for the Bison, Asher Salam '05 and Joe Menezes '05 both took their opponents to all three sets before losing, proving that the Bison were competitive.

"We definitely had a chance to win the Lafayette match, but we came out slow," Helt said. "We didn't play as tough as we had hoped to."

The matches against Navy and American earlier in the week weren't any easier for the Bison as they were shut out in both.

"I was fairly pleased with how we competed," Helt said. "Their lineup just outmatched our lineup."

The women face Colgate at 10 a.m tomorrow at home, and the men also play at home against Army at noon tomorrow.

Jaclyn Carr—The Bucknellian

Rheanna Gaskin '06 returns a serve in a recent match against Lafayette. Gaskin defeated Lisa Fung-Kee-Fung 6-1, 6-2. With her win, Gaskin helped the team improve to 9-1 overall in league.

Lacrosse continues undefeated P.L. run

By Pat Evans
Sports Editor

The 19th-ranked Bison men's lacrosse team edged out league rival Hobart 8-7 at Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium Saturday to continue the team's undefeated Patriot League run and put the Bison in prime position to win the conference, earning a bid to the NCAA Tournament. The win avenges last year's loss to Hobart, who beat the Orange and Blue out in league tie breaker, ruining the Bison's chance of entering the national tournament .

With the score tied at seven with just 1 minute 11 seconds remaining, Andrew Copelan '03 dodged down the left sideline and put one in over Mike Borzs' head to win the game.

"I didn't have that much time to think about, but I knew that he was expecting me to shoot low," Copelan said. "It was pretty much instinctive and I'm just glad it worked out."

The game was a defensive showcase and the Bison, who were ranked fourth in the nation in scoring defense, allowing only 6.5 goals a game, got the best of the Statesmen this time. Justin Sussman '03 was phenomenal in goal, tallying 16 saves for a career total of 502, a statistic that ranks him fifth all-time among University goalies.

"They're a high-powered offense," Sussman said. "It's a great testament to our defense that we were able to limit their shots and stop them."

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Sports

CECILY CAIRNS CLASSIC PAGE

Bombs and baseballs: the birth of the partnership between war and sports

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Sports Editor

Courtesy of Baseballhalloffame.com

Soldiers pass the time playing baseball during World War I. Even with explosions in the horizan, there was room for America's pastime.

Over the course of the past two weeks, war has been a dominant theme in most domains of the country's media. Sports media has certainly not been an exception to that. The recent declaration of war, and before that, the possibility of it, prompted many sportswriters and reporters to rifle through the history books and find a way to solidify the connection between sport and war.

The connection is easy to see, but hard to explain. War is a life-and-death situation and sports are merely a form of entertainment, so why do they look to each other for support, for inspiration and as a means to formulate analogies? Athletics and the military share their respective sets of terminology, after all.

But really, do bombs and baseballs belong in the same article? Do boxing gloves and bayonets have any grounds for comparison?

It's a bit of a stretch, but there's certainly a historical relationship that merits attention. Sports and war aren't the same thing—to make such a claim would be beyond exaggeration. But they did grow up together.

The decade that directly followed the First World War, the 1920s, showcased a dramatic transformation of spectator sports. It marked the birth of the great American sports hero, a prototype that has persisted through a century.

At the turn of the century, before World War I disillusioned the nation, there was a push to create what intellectuals referred to as a "sporting republic," a Utopian society where athletics provided a healthy alternative to combat and an outlet for the fighting spirit. But sports were a divided entity—the games played by the elite members of the nation were of an entirely different brand of athletics than those that cropped up in the grubbier elements of society. Victorian principles hesitated to accept athletics as having any place in the moral society, while many shunned ethnic groups found sports to be an outlet for frustration and a means for pleasure in an otherwise dismal existence.

In short, the world of athletics, in its budding stages of adolescence, was going through an identity crisis. It was probably the last part of American life that ought to have been a candidate for the driving impetus towards the nation's unification.

In 1910, a fellow named William James—a philosopher and advocate of social progression—thought otherwise, though, and penned a proposition entitled "The Moral Equivalent of War." War, according to James, was a great means to social unification.

The military's discipline and strenuousness proved to be an indispensable perpetuator of honor, morality and adherence to a social code or law. It showcased and strengthened the cause of such virtues as courage, physical prowess. And in those years, before patriotism was declared passé, war had the potential to thrust a common goal in front of the rich, the poor and the few in between, to turn them all towards the same flag.

Of course, James realized that wherever war is concerned, atrocity is sure to follow. He postulated, with admirable optimism, that athletics could stand in for combat and soon he had enlisted a slew of intellectuals to stand behind him on the fervid claim that participation in athletics could bolster the common virtues needed to hold together the nation.

Athletics were held parallel to the construct of the nation, providing a stand-in for the unifying qualities of war. James' "moral equivalent" didn't spread terribly far from the elite proponents of the plan. It didn't get the chance.

By the time the lofty plan had trickled into a wider span of social classes, Europe had run amuck, and the United States eventually plunged into the fray. War no longer needed an "equivalent," moral or otherwise, and James' hopes needed redefinition.

The sporting republic was no more.

The appeal of sports had spread just enough, though, that it lingered on in the wake of World War I's outbreak. Athletics did, as the masses discovered, have a certain way of pointing human energy in a progressive direction, both in the military and in the war-torn society.

Suddenly sports found a place in the armed services. They provided a healthy distraction for soldiers—rather than vices like alcohol and prostitutes—to direct their energy toward. In addition, athletics cultivated and fueled the soldier's competitive nature and will to win, not to mention his physical fitness and mental preparedness.

War Secretary Newton Baker strongly encouraged the implementation of athletics as a part of the military, establishing the War Department's Commission of Training Camp Activities, which worked with the YMCA to involve enlisted men in a variety of athletic programs. Troops were often entrusted to the YMCA, which established intercompany leagues and aided in the effort to keep soldiers fit for battle.

Physical efficiency and the sporting spirit suddenly became paramount in the nation's effort towards unity and strength. James Naismith and Walter Camp lectured both the military and the public on the importance of athletic fitness and its impact on the war.

By March of 1918, compulsitory athletics in war training were proposed, and physical directors were deployed to France by the YMCA to instruct troops in various athletic approaches to fighting. Wrestling, boxing, gymnastics and even baseball-throwing were used as methods for combat instruction and general strengthening.

Sport became not only a strengthening agent for the country's fighters, but also an outlet and a distraction from the ugliness they were faced with on a daily basis. Baker was so accommodating to this need that for three years, he had the World Series broadcast to American troops. The day before the United States launched an attack on the German St. Mihiel salient, American soldiers in various posts around the world listened to the Boston Red Sox beat the Chicago Cubs in the only World Series ever completed in September—the last World Series won by the Red Sox.

The military function of sport eventually sparked a public appreciation—a unified public appreciation—for athletics. Sports that had once been shunned by "higher society" and restricted to filthy barrooms and back alleys suddenly found a platform where they could gain respect from intellectuals and factory workers alike.

Boxing, a sport banned in many states prior to the war, became more than just a fitness drill for the military, as soldiers used it as a daily respite from the monotony of training. The public's respect for the military allowed a general respect for boxing to develop across the United States. By the close of the war, most states had legalized the sport, and boxing became one of the most popular and highly attended spectator sports in the following era, drawing crowds that included politicians and celebrities.

Military football exhibitions opened up the game to non-collegiate audiences, allowing appreciation for the sport to spread to more socially expansive crowds. The rise in popularity of non-college football competition gave a much-needed boost to the floundering American Professional Football Conference, which climbed out of the onerous shadow of college football to become the National Football League in 1922.

As they were for the soldiers, sports became a healthy distraction from the horror of war for the common man. The public, weary of the grim realities of battle, found the ideal escape from it in the grand and romantic stories of great athletes and their odysseys on the playing fields. Sports were a reason to believe in the American Dream in the face of great adversity.

The power of sports was permanently stamped on American society. When the fighting ended in 1919, it left a strapping public appreciation for sports in its aftermath, setting the stage for what eventually became known as The Golden Age of Sports.

The relationship between sports and war has endured through all of the social tumult that has rolled through the nation since its early functions in military and social functions. Writers and reporters tend to focus on the loss that war has incurred on sports, from Christy Mathewson's demise to the depletion of major-league baseball during World War II.

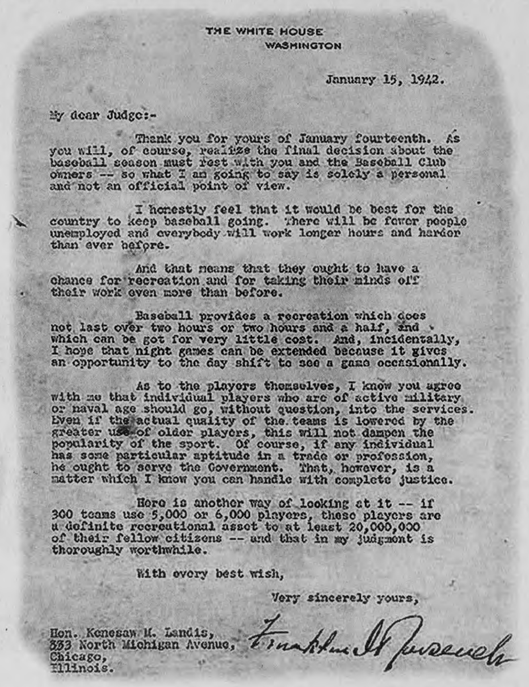
Historical literature offers a more multidimensional interaction between military and athletics throughout the U.S. history.

Sports, in both the participatory and spectator forms, had the excitement and innocent drama to boost the morale of soldiers. Conversely, the heroes of war offered the kind of national pride—dedication to freedom and the will to defeat anyone who threatened the fabric of their morals—that great athletes sought to mimic, albeit on a drastically smaller scale, in their quest for greatness on the playing fields.

There may not be any trenches or barbed-wire barriers cutting across the manicured green fields of the baseball diamond, nor are there any umpires stepping between melees on the battlefields of war, but sports and war can still claim an intimate relationship, much of which was born almost a century ago during the First World War.

The athlete and the soldier were, and still are, a similar breed, fueled to protect integrity, programmed to do anything but lie down in the face of attack.

Hopefully, for the sake of America, that won't change anytime soon.



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 15, 1942.

My dear Judge:-

Thank you for yours of January fourteenth. As you will, of course, realize the final decision about the baseball season must rest with you and the baseball Club owners -- so what I am going to say is solely a personal and not an official point of view.

I honestly feel that it would be best for the country to keep baseball going. There will be fewer people unemployed and everybody will work longer hours and harder than ever before.

And that means that they ought to have a chance for recreation and for taking their minds off their work even more than before.

Baseball provides a recreation which does not last over two hours or two hours and a half, and which can be got for very little cost. And, incidentally, I hope that night games can be extended because it gives an opportunity to the day shift to see a game occasionally.

As to the players themselves, I know you agree with me that individual players who are of active military or naval age should go, without question, into the services. Even if the actual quality of the teams is lowered by the greater use of older players, this will not dampen the popularity of the sport. Of course, if any individual has some particular aptitude in a trade or profession, he ought to serve the Government. That, however, is a matter which I know you can handle with complete justice.

Here is another way of looking at it -- if 300 teams use 5,000 or 6,000 players, these players are a definite recreational asset to at least 20,000,000 of their fellow citizens -- and that in my judgment is thoroughly worthwhile.

With every best wish,

Very sincerely yours,

Franklin D. Roosevelt

Hon. Kenesaw M. Landis,
333 North Michigan Avenue,
Chicago,
Illinois.

Sports and war: a timeline

1700—The colonies' troops use martial arts to condition for battle. Soldiers also hold competitions in wrestling, foot races, jumping, horse races and shooting.

1770—Thomas Jefferson condemns sports as an "indulgence" of the European upper class, and demands that the new nation avoid them. George Washington ignores the demands and encourages troops in the Continental Army to engage in athletics for entertainment. The troops enjoy games similar to bowling, cricket and European-style football.

1860—Large groups of young men in the Civil War turn to sports as an escape from the boredom of an all-male environment. They entertain themselves with baseball, running, wrestling, shooting and boxing. Prizefighters serving in the war put on fights for soldiers to watch and bet on. Despite the popularity of the sport among soldiers, boxing still declines in post-bellum era, as it continues to be shunned by upper classes. The aftermath of the war also allows black Americans to participate in several organized sports, albeit in segregated leagues. One of the most notable influences this has is on baseball, as all-black leagues begin to form.

Courtesy Genetunney.com

World War I set the stage for the "golden age" of boxing.

1917—American troops undergo rigorous athletic conditioning coordinated by the YMCA during World War I, and also turn to sports as an outlet for the troublesome nature of war. See "Bombs and baseballs" article.

1925—Christy Mathewson, the New York Giants pitcher who invented the "fadeaway" (screwball) among other pitches and revolutionized the art of pitching, dies at age 45 of tuberculosis, which he suffered from as a result of gas exposure during training for World War I.

1936—Nazi Germany shuns American Jesse Owens because his talent and race threaten their goals of Aryan supremacy, but Owens refuses to be held down by Hitler's credo. Owens ties the 100-yard Olympic record in his first race of the day, and proceeds to win four gold medals in Berlin. In 1990, Owens is awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for his "triumph for all humanity."

1942—Baseball heroes like Ted Williams, Yogi Berra and Bob Feller enlist and head to war to defend our country. President Franklin Roosevelt composes a letter to Commissioner Kenesaw Landis stressing the importance of baseball in keeping the spirit of Americans high. The letter encourages Landis to let the games go on. Baseball continues in the absence of some of its biggest stars. Among those who stay behind to entertain fans is a young Stan Musial, whose career is just starting when the war begins depleting baseball's ranks. While American heroes like Williams fight for the country, ballplayers who stay home also pitch in by keeping the morale of American citizens up. "I honestly feel that it would be best for the country to keep baseball going," Roosevelt writes in his letter. See letter, below left.

1943—Philip Wrigley, answering to fears that baseball will shut down because of players lost to World War II service, creates the All-American Girls Softball League, which became the All-American Girls Baseball League. The league is an integral part of the advancement of women's sports.

1967—Muhammed Ali refuses to serve the country in the Vietnam War, dodging the draft for religious reasons. He is convicted of violating the Selective Services Act.

1970—Bob Kalsu of the Buffalo Bills becomes the only U.S. professional athlete to die in combat during the Vietnam War. According to a 2001 Sports Illustrated article, only seven professional athletes serve in Vietnam: six football players and one bowler.

1976—In the wake of the Vietnam War, protestors jump into the outfield at Dodger Stadium and unfurl an American flag that they intend to burn. Outfielder Rick Monday flies over to the flag-burners, rips the flag out from under the impending flame and carries it to safety. Monday gets a standing ovation from a patriotic crowd—and is greeted affectionately in every stadium he plays in throughout the season—for his thwarting of the anti-American gesture. The flag rescue is immortalized in a Pulitzer Prize-nominated photograph by James Roark.

1980—The U.S. Olympic hockey team, composed of young amateurs, upsets the Soviet hockey team for the gold medal in the Lake Placid Olympics. The tremendous effort came during Cold War unrest between the two nations. The game was not only a victory for the hockey team, but was widely considered a victory for all of America. The stars and stripes are everywhere as fans chanted "U.S.A.!"

2001—Terrorist attacks on Sept. 11 shake the nation. The sports world shuts down as Americans divert their attention to more important matters. Major-league baseball halted play for a week, the National Football League postponed its second week of games and four PGA events are canceled, in addition to countless competitions of college sports, NASCAR, the NHL, the NBA and horse racing. As the dust settles, Americans turn to sports as an escape from the horror of the attacks and use ballparks as a platform to express their patriotism. When baseball resumes play, fans tote flags to stadiums everywhere, "God Bless America" replaces "Take Me Out To The Ballgame" in the seventh inning stretch and spectators erupt into chants of "U.S.A.!" The national anthem takes on a new meaning for fans and athletes.

2002—Pat Tillman, formerly an Arizona Cardinals safety, turns down a $3.6 million contract and enlists in the U.S. Army to become a Ranger. His decision and sacrifice are admired by fans and fellow athletes alike.

2003—Toni Smith, a basketball player at Division III Manhattanville College creates a ruckus when she refuses to face our nation's flag in protest of the war on Iraq. She is greeted with boos and chants of "U.S.A." during road games and also garners criticism from other athletes including Mike Piazza and other members of the New York Mets.

2003—ESPN.com's SportsNation sets up an e-mail correspondence program entitled "Jocks to GIs" allowing American soldiers to chat with sports stars such as Tiger Woods, Shaquille O'Neal and Mark Prior. Over 20 athletes volunteered to participate, eager to assist the troops by boosting their morale.

Sports

Ted Williams:

A baseball legend, an American hero

BY BRENT BUTLER
Sports Editor

Last year, when Ted Williams passed away, sports fans throughout the world were reminded of perhaps the greatest hitter in major-league baseball history.

We were reminded of his amazing 1941 season where he became the last man in history to hit .400 on a season. We were reminded of his 1939 Rookie of the Year Award, his Triple Crown and his MVP award in 1949, but what we were not reminded of was the courage and bravery which he displayed by enlisting in the Naval Air Corps in May of 1942.

After having such an amazing season in 1941, Williams showed his true character by entering the ranks of the military in order to fight for his country during World War II. He never saw combat in WWII—the war in the Pacific ended before he got there, but he never felt bad about his decision to give up three years of his career to serve his country.

"I could never resent the three years I spent in World War II," Williams said according to ESPN.com. "Not that I did anything, but the very fact that everybody was in the service or doing something—never regretted those years. I was proud of those years. I was happy that it happened that way."

Today, when the youth of America look up to its sports heroes, they see athletes like Michael Irving, O.J. Simpson, Randy Moss, Daryl Strawberry and Allen Iverson as their supposed "role models." Unfortunately, America's youth does not have a role model like Ted Williams to look up to in this day and age.

Today's stars like Kobe Bryant and LeBron James didn't go to college in order to continue their athletic careers, but after high school Williams signed with a minor-league team in order to play in his hometown of Sand Diego, Calif. After just a year and a half of playing for the minor leagues, Williams was aquired by the Red Sox in a trade for five players as well as $25,000, and just one year later he was called up to "the big show," the major leagues.

When Williams started his rookie season for the Red Sox he was only 20 years old, but he impressed everyone by batting .327 with 31 home runs and 145 runs batted in in his first season. Those statistics we good enough to earn Williams the honor of being the 1939 Rookie of the Year.

After his impressive rookie season, Williams continued his dominance of opposing pitchers throughout the 1940 season and on into the 1941 season.

Williams' 1941 season was one that every baseball player dreams of, a slugging percentage of .735 and an overall batting average of .406. During the 1941 season it seemed as if nothing could go wrong for Williams.

"Everything I hit fell in. Every break that I could get I got," Williams said according to Tedwilliams.com.

Throughout the season, Williams was at record-setting pace, hitting well over .400 for the majority of the season, until the last few weeks of play in the regular season.

"It was the first time it worried me whether I was going to hit .400 or not, because the papers were writing it up," Williams said according to Tedwilliams.com.

Going into the final day of the regular season, the last day satistics would be counted, Williams was posted at .3996 batting average for the season.

After the first game of the double-header Williams proved that he was one of the greatest hitters in history by going six for eight on the day, safely securing a .406 batting average on the year.

This was the last time in major-league history that a player has obtained a .400 batting average on the year, which is an amzing feat to accomplish. One would think that after such an amazing year, nothing could stop an athlete of this caliber, but after this great season Williams decided to support his country instead of his team the following year.

When the World War II started, Williams enlisted in the Naval Air Corporations, while he didn't see action before the war in the Pacific was over, he still gained valuble experience which helped him in his futur military career.

During the Korean War he served again, flying as John Glenn's wingman in an F-9. He flew 39 missions in the war, and survived after being hit by anti-aircraft fire and being forced to crash land. The next day, Williams was back in the air.

Williams lost almost five full seasons serving his country in both Korea and World War II. Many other athletes served in the two wars but Williams has truly become the prime example of the American sports war hero.

MILITARY AWARDS AND HONORS

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Navy Unit Commendation
Presidential Medal of Freedom
American Campaign Medal
Asian-Pacific Campaign Medal
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U.S. Marine Corps Sports Hall of Fame
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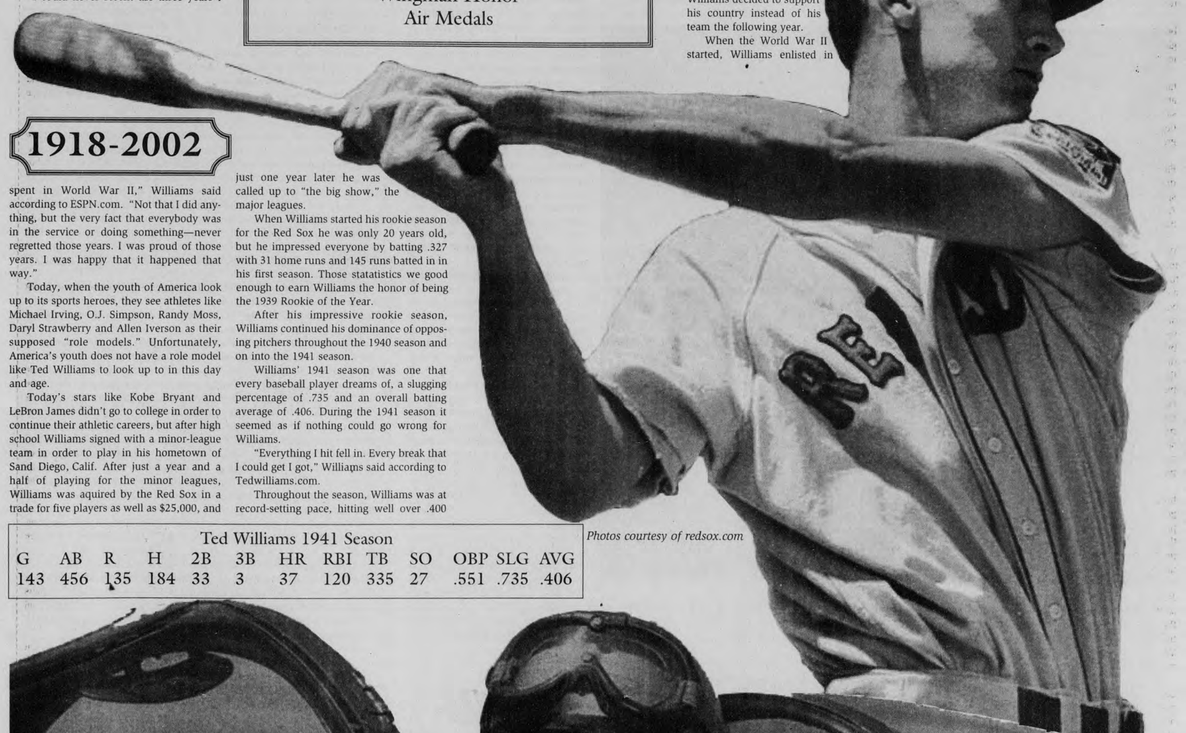

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Ted Williams 1941 Season

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Sports Ops

MLB 2003: A Look into the Crystal Ball

By Mark Walker
Staff Writer

With the major-league-baseball season just underway, I want to take this opportunity to make my fearless predictions on the upcoming season.

National League East:

The NL East will rival the AL West for the strongest division this year. The Braves, Mets, Phillies and Marlins—if their young pitching staff matures quickly—all have a legitimate shot at winning the division. In the end this will be the year that the Braves' reign atop the NL East will end, due to a much weaker pitching staff. Jim Thome, Pat Burrell and Randy Wolf will all have career seasons, leading the Phillies to the division crown. The Mets will not underachieve this season and will get the wild card under new manager Art Howe.

National League Central:

The St. Louis Cardinals have quietly been one of the most consistent teams in baseball over the past few years. I look for the Cardinals to have another very solid year behind Scott Rolen, who will have a very productive season in his first full season with the Cardinals. In the end, the Cardinals will come up just short to the Chicago Cubs. Mark Prior and Kerry Wood will perform on the same level as Randy Johnson and Curt Schilling and will form a dominant one-two punch that will carry the Cubbies into October.

National League West:

The Arizona Diamondbacks will battle the San Francisco Giants until the last day of the season for the NL West title. In the end, the D-Backs will take the prize, because pitching wins championships. Johnson and Schilling will overwhelm opponents down the stretch. The Giants have a threatening offense this season with Ray Durham and Edgardo Alfonzo added to support Barry Bonds, but are lacking in talent and depth on the mound, which will prove costly.

American League East:

OK, time to pencil in the Yankees for their sixth straight division title, right? Wrong! All signs this spring point to a Yankees collapse. The clubhouse has been filled with distractions—George Steinbrenner and Derek Jeter have been in disagreement and David Wells admitted that alcohol is his secret pitch. The Yankees are still a potent team, and it will take a great season by a division rival to dethrone them. I see Boston having that great season and dethroning the Yanks, as long as Pedro Martinez and the rest of the pitching staff stay healthy.

American League Central:

The AL Central will be the weakest division this year, and it will be up for grabs among Cleveland, Minnesota and Chicago. Most people are giving the Indians no shot this season, but they have a chance if rookies Travis Hafner and Brandon Phillips turn out to be as good as the "experts" say they will. In the end, though, the Indians will be no better than a .500 team. The Twins have the pitching to make a run for the division title, but will come up just short to the White Sox. Chicago has quietly developed a potent lineup with players like Frank Thomas, Joe Crede, Magglio Ordonez and Paul Konerko. The addition of Bartolo Colon to the pitching rotation will be just enough for the White Sox to beat Minnesota for the title.

American League West:

Three of the best teams in baseball, Seattle, Oakland and Anaheim are in the AL West. Undoubtedly, the AL's wild card will come from this division. I see Oakland winning the division thanks to the best trio of starting pitchers in baseball (Tim Hudson, Barry Zito and Mark Mulder). Anaheim, the defending champs, will take the wild card through a strong, power-hitting lineup. The Mariners will be left at home come October due to a much weaker pitching staff.

National League Playoffs:

The Phillies will beat the Cubs in four games. The Mets will upset the Diamondbacks in five games, setting up the New Jersey Turnpike NLCS. The Phillies and Mets will take the NLCS to game seven, with the Phillies prevailing.

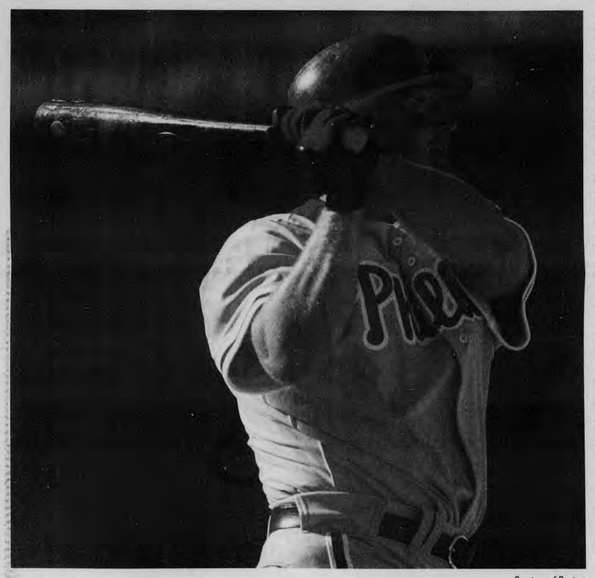
American League Playoffs:

The Red Sox will dethrone the Angels in five games. The A's will blow the White Sox out in three games. In the ALCS, the "Curse of the Bambino" will live on with the A's beating the Red Sox in six games.

World Series:

The Phillies will (mercifully) close Veterans Stadium on top after one of the most exciting World Series in history. It will be a crazy scene at the Vet, as Pat Burrell hits a home run in the 12th inning of game seven to give the Phillies the championship. The fans will save the demolition crew some work, as they celebrate by taking home with them any piece of the Vet they can pick up as a victory souvenir.

Postseason Awards:
NL Rookie of the Year: Marlon Byrd
AL Rookie of the Year: Hideki Matsui
NL Cy Young: Curt Schilling
AL Cy Young: Barry Zito
NL Manager of the Year: Larry Bowa
AL Manager of the Year: Jerry Manuel
NL Comeback Player of the Year: Charles Johnson
AL Comeback Player of the Year: Juan Gonzalez
NL MVP: Pat Burrell
AL MVP: Manny Ramirez



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Philadelphia Phillies first baseman Jim Thome hits a double off of pitcher Josh Beckett of the Florida Marlins in the second inning at Pro Player Stadium on March 31 in Miami, Fla. Thome came to the Phillies in an off-season deal with the Cleveland Indians.

Me like sportz

Aaron DeRosa
Senior Editor

F-balling

It's that time of the year again: that time when armchair athletes flex their statistical muscles, neglect the small piece of tomato wedged between their bicuspids for a week and 30-somethings promise their parents they'll be down for dinner only to immediately dismiss the vow as they check the rumor mill to find someone has offered Marlon Byrd for Kevin Brown … straight up. Now tell me, is there any greater season than Fantasy Baseball season?

With it's humble beginnings in small-town America when two brain-dead yokels got together for some Handi-Snacks and Yoohoo and drew IOUs on the back of cardboard bubble-gum sticks to complete a trade between Ty "Georgia Peach" Cobb and Rowland Glen "Rollie" Fingers, fantasy baseball has certainly become a cult phenomenon. More likely, the origin of this now-famous art form (yes, art form) has its roots in baseball card trading.

Today, fantasy baseball is so pervasive that every major news and sports service has fantasy coverage, emphasizing best "bang-for-your-buck" players and draft day tips complete with interactive flash menus, stat finders and the obligatory Penthouse subscription forms.

Since I set my draft order I've been subscribed to four "art" magazines, three online pornography services, signed up for three dating services and found my long lost middle school romance—her name is Ethel and she graduated just after Dewey beat Truman. It's a phenomenal advertising strategy—prey on the weak, desperate "table-for-one-ers" who surf the Web like it were Wax City.

Regardless, those who have been lucky enough to penetrate the inner circle of fantasy baseballing are the diehard statheads and sad social miscues who spend their coffee breaks searching for nearby Internet cafés to scrutinize the waiver wire for the catch of the day, no pun intended.

These unfortunate Faustian sycophants stop at nothing to acquire a healthy balance of surefire vets and non-risky rookies. Outside of the cyber-world, these people take fashion advice from Kenny (not G) and relationship advice from Miss Cleo. For all their knowledge of windows, it's surprising how little they must look out them.

Those less devoted to the art manage to live their public lives fairly unscathed by the puffy, sagging bags formed under bloodshot irises that mark the F-baller initiated like a Maori tribal marking, but inside they're a raging maelstrom of angst and discontent because their recent trade of Bobby Higginson for Kazuhisa Ishii was vetoed by the league.

These lucky ones are closet F-ballers and can live their lives without the intense scrutiny of their peers because they possess minimal observable tells like a Mississippi gambler at a high school poker match.

The sad fact is fantasy baseball is a disease. It operates similar to the AIDS virus, attacking friends and family members who try to intervene (helper T cells) and inevitably corrupt them until the rotisserie league can't support them anymore and the tears start flowing.

The only cure for F-ball syndrome is to hope a first-tier shortstop or catcher goes down with an injury. There's nothing more sobering for the diehard F-baller than having a gaping hole in their infield. When Derek Jeter went down with a shoulder separation in the Yankees' season opener, the collective cry from one-eighth (or one-tenth, depending on the size of your league) of the population was enough to cause massive electrical storms on earth that the top minds in America mistakenly claim was caused by a project to control the weather, and the only way to save the earth from annihilation is to send a team of crack scientists and cowboys into the core of the earth … but F-ballers know the truth … it's all about the hot spot.

So if you're not in the loop and happen to come across a lazy-eyed, hooded, bespectacled doughboy staring through a loop at the Dodgers' box scores in the *Times* on a Monday afternoon, understand that he is that thing that you smell, and that he probably hasn't spoken to people outside of the virtual message postings in three years … and I'm single, too.

Calendar

Colonial Relays
Track
Friday, April 4
All Day

Men's Lacrosse
vs. Lafayette
Saturday, April 5
1 p.m.

Men's Baseball
at Navy
Saturday, April 5
Noon

Women's Lacrosse
vs. Duquesson
Saturday, April 5
1 p.m.

Women's Lacrosse
vs. Lafayette
Saturday, April 5
1 p.m.

Men's Tennis
at Navy
Saturday, March 29
Noon

Colonial Relays
Track
Saturday, April 5
All Day

Men's Baseball
at Navy
Saturday, April 5
Noon

Softball
vs. Lafayette
Saturday, April 5
1 p.m.

Crew
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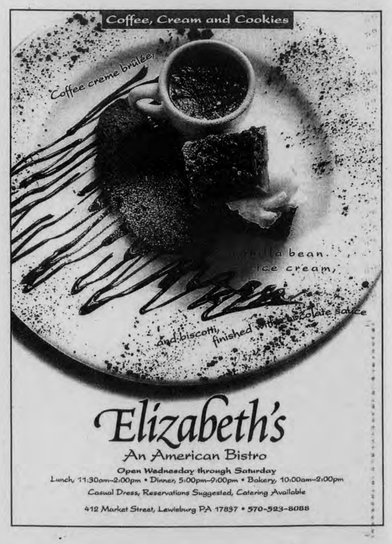
Sunday, April 6
All Day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Sports

Interview with Richard Alexander

By Evan Honeyfield
Staff Writer

Bucknell track and field teams opened their outdoor seasons on March 22 at the Retriever Invitational at University of Maryland Baltimore County. The teams trained through the meet so the results weren't outstanding, but the meet gave a many athletes their first chance of the year to compete in their events.

The Bison took full advantage of their first chance at the outdoor-only events by placing well in the hammer throw, javelin, high hurdles, 400-meter hurdles and 3000-meter steeplechase on the track.

Richard Alexander '03, a team captain and one of the Bison's top hurdlers, got his first chance of the season to run the 110 high hurdles and 400-meter hurdles.

We caught up with Alexander to find out what it takes to be a hurdler, a leader and what his outlook for the Bison is this year.

Bucknellian: You had a pretty good indoor season. To what do you attribute your success?

Alexander: I believe that my season has been successful for a number of reasons. I have been hurdling now at the collegiate level for four years and I believe that just with experience I have gotten better.

[Associate Head] Coach [Joeseph] Klim has done some things with me technically that have helped to improve my form and thus my time. The workouts this year have been good at getting me doing more things. The team helps me out a lot. I have other hurdlers around me pushing me as I am trying to push them. Another thing that I believe helped, even though I would have rather it not happen, was the fact that I hurt my knee early in the season. This caused me to simply focus on hurdles, instead of running other races. I believe this focusing helped me out.

Bucknellian: What kind of physical qualities does it take to be a hurdler?

A hurdler should have some speed, but they don't have to be the fastest runner in the world; form is more important. A slower runner with good form will be just as good as, if not better than, the faster runner with worse form.
*—**Richard Alexander** '03*

Alexander: A hurdler should have some speed, but they don't have to be the fastest runner in the world; form is more important. A slower runner with good form will be just as good as, if not better than, the faster runner with worse form. I am a short hurdler at 5 feet 8 inches, typically you want a taller person around 6 feet or so. It also takes flexibility because without that height you will have problems getting over the hurdles.

Bucknellian: What about mentally, what's it take there?

Alexander: Mentally the biggest thing is getting over the fear of the hurdlers. Most hurdlers, when they start are afraid of falling or hitting the hurdle, and that is something that you just have to get over. You also must mentally be able to run your race. When you start trying to run the race of others you get into knocking the hurdlers down and running with poor form.

Bucknellian: What is your role as a captain of the team?

Alexander: Most people joke about my role as captain as being the cheerleading captain. I am often the one that people look at when they want to get a cheer started. I just want to do whatever it takes to make the team closer and more poised at winning some meets and performing well.

Bucknellian: What are your individual goals for your final season?

Alexander: My individual goal for this outdoor season is to be a Patriot League Champion. Last year I finished second in the 110 meter high hurdlers and this year I hope to improve that. I would also like to place high in the 400 meter IM hurdles.

Bucknellian: What about team goals?

Alexander: I would love for us to win the Patriot League Championship, but if that cannot happen I would like for us to redeem ourselves from what happened indoors and take back the No. 2 spot from Lafayette. I would like us to also get a little bit closer to Army to restore some confidence that may have been lost over the past couple years.

Bucknellian: I've got to ask, what's with the headband? You love that thing!

Alexander: The headband kind of started when I was a sophomore and us African-American males on the team decided to start our own fraternity known as N.O.T.T. (Negros On the Track Team). We had joked about doing many things like making T-shirts and stuff like that.

On the way to indoor leagues my junior year, we stopped at a mall and I saw these orange headbands and was like we should get some of these. So I bought orange headbands for the three members at the time: Micah, Noel and myself, just as a joke. We all wore them at the indoor leagues and we all had pretty good days and decided to keep doing it. Now we have new headbands for this outdoor season and we have even gotten the freshmen some. So I guess the legacy will continue. Plus they just look cool with the speedsuits.

Bucknellian: Your love for track has sparked you to look to get into coaching when you graduate. Can you talk about why you are interested in this?

Alexander: I have been interested in coaching for quite awhile now. I just enjoy the sport of track and field and would like to help others to enjoy it, too. I believe that I have always been pretty good at teaching people things and helping them to understand things, so I figured why not try doing this in a setting where I feel the most comfortable, that being on the track.

Track and field teams head to Colonial Relays this weekend

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McKnight throwing far. He had a rough year last year and has worked very hard this year."

McKnight was satisfied with his performance, but optimistic about his chances to improve.

"I think consistent training and some more competition will help my distances increase. I was impressed with the quality of the meet, especially with the caliber of throwers. They were some of the best I've seen since I've been in college," McKnight said.

The men's sprint relays also impressed Donner, as the men nearly broke 42 in the 4x100 meter relay.

"Our men's 4x100 and 4x200 looked very good. We need to clean up some handoffs, but the running was great."

McKnight is optimistic despite a relay disqualification and botched handoff by some his teammates.

"There were some costly mistakes, but I'm sure all the kinks will be worked out by the time leagues and IC4As come around," McKnight said.

A number of the mid-distance and distance runners had good races as well.

"I was pleased with our men's 4x800 of [Lou] Palma ['03], [Eric] Furst ['03], [Kevin] Walsh ['04] and [Ted] Evans ['03], as 7:44 is our fastest time of the year," Donner said. "We needed some middle distance runners to step it up and Walsh and Evans did so. At Susquehanna I was very impressed with [Marcus] Jones ['04] and [Kevin] Fortkiewicz ['06] in the 5000. Those were breakthrough races for both of them," Donner said.

The breakthrough for Jones could be attributed two ways.

"The short answer would be Hatorade, but I think two years of staying pretty healthy under Coach Donner's training finally paid off," Jones said.

The team is hopeful its work will pay off in the long run.

"I thought the guys at Susquehanna performed really well. Some people performed well at Raleigh but I think some of the guys were disappointed. It's still really early in the season and a lot of guys were competing in their primary events for the first time this season. I would imagine that after a week of adjusting you will see some big personal records from the rest of the team at Colonial Relays," Jones said. "I think the team just needs to remain positive. There have been a lot of people who have had some big personal bests this year but we just need to be more consistent and get healthy. If we all perform up to our capability at the same meet then we are going to be a tough team to beat."

Donner is looking forward to the upcoming meet at William and Mary.

"Colonial Relays is always a special meet for Bucknell. Bucknell has been to this meet every single year. We will try to score as many points as we can without sacrificing what our long-term goal is, and that's to place high at Patriot Leagues," Donner said.

Waterpolo reaches .500

By Pat Evans
Sports Editor

The Bison women's water polo team knocked off home team Villanova 11-10 to even its overall record at 10-10 and improve its league record to 5-3. The game at Villanova was part of a four game league trip for the Bison, who went 2-2 on the weekend, losing to George Washington 8-7, Princeton 11-2 and beating Salem 12-1.

Katie Stahler '03 scored five goals for the Bison in the win over Villanova for a game in which the Bison's steady offensive output was too much for the Wildcats to handle.

"We responded well to a very fired up home team and never let them get on top of us."
*—Head Coach **John Ziegler***

"We responded well to a very fired up home team and never let them get on top of us," Head Coach John Zeigler said.

Stahler gives the credit for her critical five goals to her teammates who were to feed the ball to the middle of the pool on offense, creating opportunities for the captain.

"I got some really great passes from my team," Stahlen said. "We worked the ball around on offense in a way that let me capitalize on open shots."

The first game of the four-game trip against George Washington was a bit disappointing for the Bison who had defeated the Colonials 11-10 earlier in the season. Sophomore Katie Hartigan's three goals were not enough for the Bison. The team started the game off down 3-1 and was never able to get back on track.

"I didn't feel like we played our best game. We played inconsistently, which was disappointing," Zeigler said.

The Bison responded to the loss well, coming back and pummeling Salem 12-1. Nine different players scored in the game.

"I challenged the team to start playing more aggressively and to utilize our strengths," Zeigler said. "I think we used the first loss to motivate us."

The next game against Princeton proved to be more challenging as the Bison fell to the national powerhouse 11-2. Despite the loss there were some bright points taken away for the team.

"We held them to only three goals in the second half, which was a really big deal for us," goalie Lindsay Chesterfield '03 said.

The Bison feel like they can compete with teams like Princeton if they play on top of their game.

"We struggled to put away some good offensive opportunities," Zeigler said. It really could have been a lot closer if we had done that."

The Bison are confident in the outlook of the rest of the season. The team will be seeded fourth and will open up with Harvard in this weekend's ECAC Tournament. Later in the season at Southern Championships they will have an opportunity to settle the score with George Washington, a team which they have split their games this season.

"We've been inconsistent in some games, but we've been able to iron out some kinks and get ready for the championships," Stahler said.

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Sports

19th-ranked men's lacrosse team edges out Patriot League rival Hobart 8-7

Adam Wilcox—The Bucknellian

The lacrosse team gathers for a huddle at Christy-Mathewson Memorial Stadium. The team beat Patriot League rival Hobart 8-7.

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Blaise Fletcher '04 and Brian Goodman '05 were key for the Bison defensively. Fletcher stifled all-league attackman, John Bogosian, holding the league's leading scorer to just one shot on goal the entire game. Goodman dominated the all-important faceoff category, earning him the Patriot League Defensive Player of the Week award, which is now the third straight week the Bison have captured the honor.

"I knew Bogosian was going to get something, but my goal going in was just to stop him as much as I could," Fletcher said. "Our coaches did a good job helping to show me what his tendencies were when we watched film the week going into the game."

The Bison go into every season expecting to win the league and enter the NCAA Tournament, but last year's disappointing loss to Hobart didn't allow them to do so. The team looked at this year's game as a chance to show that they were the better team and that this year would not be the same as last.

"Last year they ate us alive in the faceoff category, which was the key to their beating us," Head Coach Sid Jamieson said. "This year Goodman was an absolute warrior. Not only did he neutralize them, he gave us a significant advantage in that spot."

Also critical for the experienced Bison team that boasts nine starting seniors was the play of the underclassmen who had to step up for the biggest game of the season.

"At halftime I asked the midfield reserves to go in there and get it done," Jamieson said. "Our starting midfield can't take the whole game on their shoulders because the emotional drain in a game like this doesn't let you play the whole time. Our reserves went in there and did a terrific job."

One of those players was Patrick O'Hearn '05 who hadn't scored a goal all season until one of the most critical junctures of the season. With 8:33 remaining in the fourth quarter the sophomore received a pass from Andrew Sanders '03 and skipped a shot past the goalie to tie the game at 6.

Rob Lane '03 also stepped up big for the Bison scoring two critical goals including the go-ahead one to put his team up 7-6. This lead did not last long as a Bison penalty set up Hobart's tying goal.

After Copelan's goal with 1:11 remaining, the Bison were able to hang on for the win as Sussman stopped a Hobart shot and cleared the ball outside of the defense.

For the Bison seniors the win was a great way to end four years of battling it out with the league rival, especially considering last year's result.

"It was just a great whole-team effort," Copelan said. "The defense played remarkably and we were able to hold on. It's nice, as a senior, to avenge last year's loss."

Hobart is a successful lacrosse program that at one time won 11 straight national championships. The school puts a lot of effort into making sure that year in and year out it is among the top schools in the nation in the sport that has come to define it. While the Bison program is arguably just emerging onto the national scene with its recent domination of the Patriot League, it is an exciting result when schools of this caliber match up.

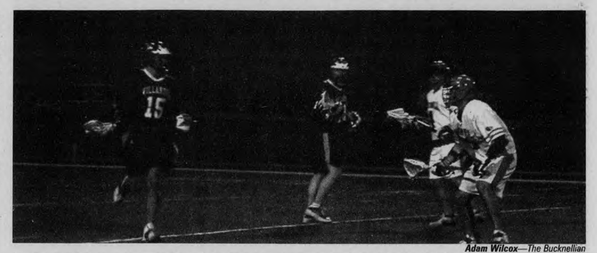
"That was as good as it gets for college lacrosse," Jamieson said. "The game had interest, excitement, tremendous skills and a great respect for the game. There wasn't a lot of trash talking out there that you usually see."

While the win was huge for Bison program success this season and seasons to come, the team realizes that it has a way to go before it accomplishes its goal of winning the league and entering the NCAA Tournament. Army, a team that is among the favorites to win the league and that always gives the Bison trouble with its relentless play, still remains on the schedule and the Bison know that they can't let this win make them overconfident.

"I still feel like we have something to prove," Sussman said. "It's not even close to being over. We're on our way and we have a lot of momentum, but we still have a lot to do."

Jamieson echoes those sentiments, knowing that the season would be a disappointment if his team didn't use the win to propel it to where it wants to be.

"We're only as good as our next practice and next game we play," Jamieson said. "We have to line up and play knowing that other teams are looking to knock us off now."



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A pair of Bison players square off against Villanova players on April 3. The team defeated Villanova 7-6.

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Statistics

Women's Tennis
March 27
Bucknell 4, Lafayette 3
Singles
1.Chez Saricas(Lafayette) def. Nadezda Curcic- 7-5,6-2
2.Veronica Brown (B) def. Lily Fardshisheh - 6-3, 6-1
3.Jill Wurzburg (B) def. Shannon Rowe - 7-5, 7-6 (3)
4.Monika Serrano (L) def. Tanya Sichko - 7-5, 7-5
5.Rheanna Gaskin(B) def. Lisa Fung-Kee-Fung -6-1, 6-2
6.Ali Kelley (L) def. Samantha Berthod - 7-5, 6-4
Doubles
1.Curcic/Brown(Bucknell) def. Rowe/Fardshisheh - 8-5
2.Saricas/Fung-Kee-Fung (L) def. Sichko/Gaskin - 8-3
3.Wurzburg/Berthod (B) def. Serrano/Kelley - 8-4

Men's Tennis
March 27
Lafayette 6, Bucknell 1
Singles
1.Matt Coin (Lafayette) def. Nick Denefrio - 6-1, 6-1
2.H'Cone Thompson (L) def. Todd Jacobs - 6-1, 6-1
3.Brett Warren(L) def. Asher Salam-5-7, 7-6 (9-7), 10-2
4.Ryan Collins (L) def. Joe Menezes - 6-3, 0-6, 6-2
5.Gerald DiChiara (B) def. Dan Seward - 6-4, 2-6, 6-1
6.Peter Titus (L) def. Aaron Saperstein - 6-4, 6-2
Doubles
1.Collins/Titus (L) def. Denefrio/DiChiara - 8-3
2.Thompson/Seward (L) def. Jacobs/Salam - 8-5
3.Coin/John Zazzu (L) def. Menezes/Saperstein - 8-4

March 29
Navy 7, Bucknell 0
Singles
1.Davy Lee (Navy) def. Nick Denefrio - 6-1, 6-2
2.Cameron Lickle (N) def. Todd Jacobs - 6-1, 6-0
3.Chris McGrath (N) def. Asher Salam - 6-0, 6-4
4.Brandon Carter (N) def. Joe Menezes - 6-0, 6-2
5.Daniel Huynh (N) def. Gerald DiChiara - 6-2, 6-0
6.Matt Walton (N) def. Aaron Saperstein - 6-1, 6-1
Doubles
1.Lickle/McGrath (N) def. Denefrio/DiChiara - 8-4
2.Carter/Lee (N) def. Jacobs/Salam - 8-5
3.Huynh/Walton (N) def. Menezes/Saperstein - 8-6

March 30
American 6, Bucknell 0
Singles
1. Tushar Garg (A) def. Nick Denefrio - 6-0, 6-0
2. Juancarlo Vazquez (A) def. Todd Jacobs - 6-4, 6-2
3. Juan Jaysingh (A) def. Asher Salam - 6-0, 6-3
4. Jonah Fliegelman(A) def. Joe Menezes-7-6 (7-0), 6-2
5. Ruben Rivero (A) def. Gerald DiChiara - 7-5, 6-3
6. Sebastion Proise (A) def. Aaron Saperstein - 6-3, 6-1

Softball

March 29
Holy Cross 2, Bucknell 1

Score by Innings	R	H	E
Bucknell	100 000 0 -	1	5 0
Holy	000 011 X -	2	6 1

March 29
Bucknell 2, Holy Cross 0

Score by Innings	R	H	E
Bucknell	000 001 1 -	2	6 0
Holy	000 000 0 -	0	5 1

March 30
Bucknell 4, Holy Cross 6

Score by Innings	R	H	E
Bucknell	101 101 0 -	4	10 1
Holy	000 231 X -	6	10 1

April 2
Towson 11, Bucknell 0

Score by Innings	R	H	E
Bucknell	000 00 -	0	1 1
Towson	014 6X -	11	14 0

April 2
Bucknell 4, Towson 3 (8 innings)

Score by Innings	R	H	E
Bucknell	003 000 01 -	4	5 0
Towson	000 120 00 -	3	11 2

Women's Lacrosse
April 1
Bucknell 8, Mt. St. Mary's 7

Score by period	1	2	Tot.
Bucknell	5	3 -	8
Mount St. Mary's	4	3 -	7

March 29
Bucknell 10, Holy Cross 6

Score by period	1	2	Tot.
Holy Cross	2	4 -	6
Bucknell	3	7 -	10

Men's Lacrosse
March 29
Bucknell 8, Hobart 7

Score by period	1	2	3	4	Tot.
Hobart	2	1	3	1 -	7
Bucknell	3	1	1	3 -	8

Baseball

March 29
Bucknell , Holy Cross

Score by Innings					R	H	E
Bucknell	101	000	3 -	5	11	0	
Holy	010	003	0 -	4	7	0	

March 29
Bucknell 3, Holy Cross 2

Score by Innings				R	H	E
Bucknell	000	200	1 -	3	8	0
Holy	000	001	1 -	2	7	2

March 30
Bucknell 8 , Holy Cross 6

Score by Innings				R	H	E
Bucknell	000	304	0 -	8	10	1
Holy	402	000	0 -	6	9	3

March 30
Bucknell 1, Holy Cross 5

Score by Innings				R	H	E
Bucknell	010	000	0 -	1	6	0
Holy	000	320	X -	5	10	0

Women's Water Polo
March 29
Bucknell 7, George Wash 8

Score by periods	1	2	3	4	Tot.
Bucknell	1	3	2	1 -	7
George Wash	3	2	2	1 -	8

March 29
Bucknell 12, Salem Int. 1

Score by periods	1	2	3	4	Tot.
Bucknell	3	4	1	4--	12
Salem Int.	0	1	0	0--	1

March 30, 2003
Bucknell 11, Villanova 10

Score by Period	1	2	3	4	Tot.
Bucknell	3	3	3	2--	11
Villanova	3	1	4	2--	10

March 30, 2003
Bucknell 2, Princeton 11

Score by periods	1	2	3	4	Tot.
Bucknell	1	1	0	0--	2
Princeton	4	4	2	1--	11

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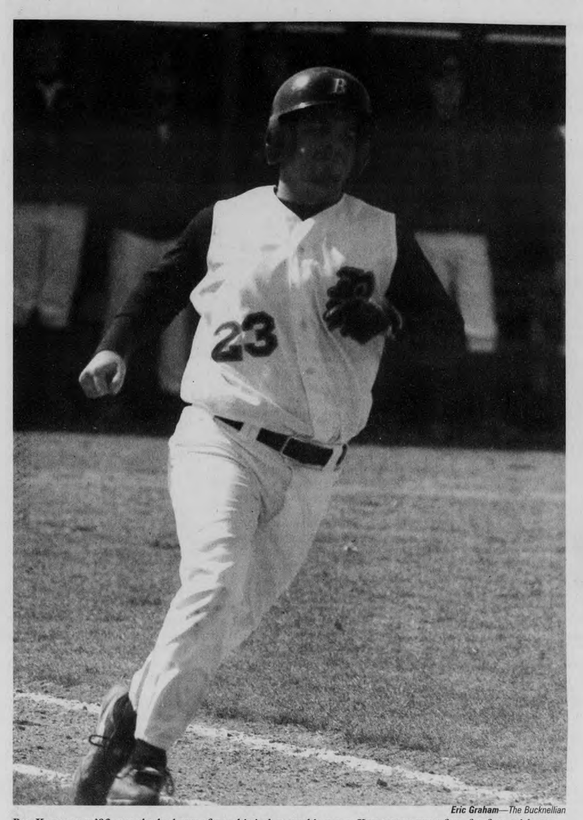
Sports

Bison swept their first Patriot League doubleheader of 2003



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Ben Krentzman '03 rounds the bases after a hit in last week's game. Krentzman went four for four with two RBIs on March 31 against Holy Cross. Bucknell took three out of four games in the series.

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"In order to duplicate those results every weekend, we're going to have to eliminate some mental mistakes and learn to put teams away instead of letting them hang around and allowing them the opportunity to beat us in the late innings," Grant said.

That resiliency was certainly evident during the first doubleheader in the series at Holy Cross, which took place on Saturday. Both games saw the Bison come out on top in intense but precarious contests, each one-run decisions that came down to the seventh inning.

The Bison jumped to a 1-0 lead in the first inning of game one when Day hit a single to drive home Stoll, who had walked and reached second on Moss's sacrifice ground out.

Holy Cross retaliated in the second with a triple and a sacrifice fly to even the score at 1-1, but Bucknell jumped right back on top in the third. Stoll singled and advanced to second on another Moss sacrifice, but was picked off by Holy Cross's pitcher. Day gave the Bison another baserunner when he singled up the middle, and Hirschberg smashed his second triple of the season, scoring Day and giving the Bison a 2-1 lead.

Both starting pitchers stifled the offense for the next two-and-a-half innings, until Holy Cross' Drew Bigda knocked out a three-run home run, giving the Crusaders a 4-2 lead going into the seventh.

The Bison were far from finished, as they rallied in the top of the seventh with three scores of their own. A walk and a balk put Phil Bunting '05 on second, and Barrett cut the lead to 4-3 when he drove home Bunting with a double. A Holy Cross pitching change didn't stall the Bison, as Moss banged out a triple to score Chris Grandizio '06 and a Day single sent home Moss for the go-ahead run. Day went three for four in the game, with two RBIs.

Futrick came in to finish off Holy Cross in the bottom of the seventh with a one-hit, scoreless inning to earn the save.

The win went to Kevin Miller '04, who is now 3-0 for the season. Miller pitched six innings, allowing four earned runs on six hits while striking out seven. He increased his team-leading season strike-out total to 19.

In the second game of the day, the pitchers dominated the first three innings, holding the offenses scoreless. Bucknell starter Grant held the Crusaders hitless through three frames and scoreless through five innings.

The Bison ended the scoring drought in the fourth, putting two runs on the board during the inning. After Day singled, Hirschberg delivered a two-run home run to right field. After the weekend, Hirschberg leads the team in home runs (4) and RBIs (15), as well as slugging percentage (.660).

The Bison saw their two-run lead reduced to one in the sixth inning when Holy Cross scraped up a run on two hits. The Orange and Blue quickly widened the lead to two runs again in the seventh inning, when a walk and a bunting sacrifice moved Kyle Walter '06 to second and Stoll's triple sent Walter to the plate for a 3-1 lead.

Stoll was a handful for the Crusaders all day, ending the contest with four hits in four at-bats.

Holy Cross attempted to rally in the bottom of the inning, scoring a run on three consecutive hits. With runners on first and second and no outs, Matt Daley '04 got out of the jam with a 4-6-3 double play and a foul out.

Grant pitched a solid six innings to earn his third win of the year. He allowed five hits, struck out five batters and gave up only two earned runs. Daley earned his first save of the year with his two-hit effort to close off the victory for the Bison.

Grant was pleased with the weekend's results.

"It's important to start strong in league play. A combination of solid pitching and timely hitting helped us win three out of four games," Grant said.

The defense was also a crucial part of the wins on Saturday, finishing the day without committing any errors.

Depew emphasized the importance of the Bison defense.

"On Saturday we got good pitching and played errorless defense," Depew said. "When we do that, we will have a chance to win."

Overall, Depew was pleased with the series.

"We are pleased to be able to go on the road and win three of four games in a series," Depew said. "Every game was very competitive and we were fortunate to make some good plays in the seventh inning of each game. I'm pleased with the way we competed and found ways to win."

Ciccione stressed the importance of the team's spirited approach to Holy Cross's challenges.

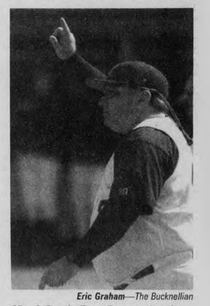
"The competitiveness we displayed this weekend must be shown in every Patriot League series if we hope to compete," Ciccione said. "While we certainly do not have the most talent in the Patriot League, I doubt that any team in the league has more heart than us."

The team will have another chance to display their grit when they head to Annapolis, Md., this weekend to face Navy, the team selected in the preseason poll to finish first in the Patriot League. Ciccione knows that the Bison must be at their best to defeat Navy.

"In order for us to win at Navy, it will take everyone's focus and intensity for four games since they are the most talented and experienced team in the conference," Ciccione said. "Much more will be known about our team after the four games this weekend in Annapolis."

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Sam Moss '04 adjusts his elbow padding. Moss hit a triple during the Bison's seventh-inning rally.



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Head Coach Gene Depew signals a baserunner during a home game. Depew's Bison are 11-5 overall.

Depew is looking forward to the challenge.

"We are now focused on what will be a very crucial series with Navy this coming weekend at Annapolis," Depew said. "We are looking forward to measuring ourselves against the preseason pick to win the league."

The away games start at noon tomorrow and Sunday.

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FEATURES

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Iraq: the cradle of Western civilization

On the land we now call Iraq, much of Western civilization first flowered. The Greeks called it Mesopotamia, "the land between the rivers," but it has been home to many great civilizations since the area's fertile alluvial soil and abundant water first attracted early farmers. Many Old Testament stories — Noah and the flood, the Tower of Babel, even the Garden of Eden — have been traced by researchers to this region. Over the centuries, great civilizations — Sumer, Babylon, Persia — rose and fell as various societies took hold or invaders occupied the land. Here is a look at some of the significant early empires to have controlled the lands near the Tigris and Euphrates rivers:

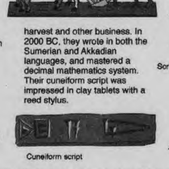
Sumer: the first great civilization

Advances in farming skills and husbandry allowed early agricultural settlements to produce surplus food. As a result, some people in the village could branch off into skilled crafts or mining. Nonfarmers could trade goods for food, and villages could trade with other villages. The settlements grew into cities and more people specialized in nonfarm tasks, including merchants, scribes, warriors and religious leaders. Eventually, a loosely connected network of city-states grew into a civilization known as Sumer.

Many 'firsts'

Many of history's greatest developments took place in early Mesopotamia:

- Agriculture: Successfully exploiting Mesopotamia's rich soil required that Sumerian farmers cooperate to build irrigation canals and dikes.
- Use of copper
- Villages, cities and urban civilization
- Herding and animal husbandry
- Making of bronze
- Code of Laws
- Mathematics
- Calendars and maps
- Wheel — for carts and making pottery
- Written language is invented, with scribes keeping track of the harvest and other business. In 2000 BC, they wrote in both the Sumerian and Akkadian languages, and mastered a decimal mathematics system. Their cuneiform script was impressed in clay tablets with a reed stylus.



Cuneiform script

Basis for the 'Tower of Babel'? Sumerians built ziggurats, or temples, such as this one in the city of Ur. A different ziggurat, in Babylon, was believed to have been 300 feet high and may have been the basis for the Tower of Babel in the Book of Genesis.

Some of the events in Iraq of archeological significance

The land of Mesopotamia was home to several important early societies.

c. 5000 BC immigrants settle in Sumer; first towns; copper used.

c. 3500 BC First civilization; first city-states; Ur founded; cuneiform script developed.

2350 BC Sargon, the king of Kish, unites cities to form an empire known as Akkadia.

1792-1750 BC The era of Old Babylon is marked by the reign of Hammurabi and his Code of Laws ("an eye for an eye . . .").

c. 1700 BC Abraham is born and raised in Ur, in what is now southern Iraq. He is venerated by Christians, Muslims and Jews as patriarch of their faiths.

1000 BC Assyrians invaders subjugate Mesopotamian people.

Neo-Babylonian Empire

Many view this period as the apogee of 5,000 years of Mesopotamian civilization.

612 BC Chaldeans defeat the Assyrians and Neo-Babylonian age begins.

605-562 BC Nebuchadnezzar II rebuilds and rules Babylon. Travelers would enter through the magnificent Ishtar Gate. Babylon is home to the Hanging Gardens, which Herodotus named one of the Seven Wonders of the ancient world. Nebuchadnezzar captures Jerusalem and the Jews are exiled in Babylonia in 586 BC.

Ishtar Gate

c. 740 BC King Tiglath-pileser III of Assyria establishes a permanent conscripted army of thousands of men from conquered lands.

669 BC Assyria destroys Babylon.

Persian Empire

The city of Babylon was one of five capitals of the Persian Empire. It later served as capital of Alexander the Great's far-flung conquests. In the era of the "Arabian Nights," the Arab Empire created a new capital, Baghdad.

539 BC Persians from what is now Iran conquer Babylonia and much of the Middle East.

331 BC Alexander the Great captures Mesopotamia from the Persians. By the time Alexander dies of fever in Babylon eight years later at the age of 32, he has assembled a vast empire stretching from Egypt to the Indus River, spreading Greek culture and language to the entire known world. His generals fight over Alexander's empire after his death, but the Hellenistic influence remains for centuries.

AD 637 Arab Muslim conquerors take control.

AD 762 Arab Abbasid dynasty establishes a new capital of Baghdad.

AD 800 Baghdad is a world center of culture and trade with a population of more than 1 million. people.

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Staff Writer

While much of the world turns its attention toward the economic, social and political implications of war in Iraq, a selection of the global academic community has been monitoring a different heartbeat of the war—that of the archaeological and historical implications of what is happening in Iraq, and Bucknell is no exception. Two separate departments—classics and geography—have shown a PBS video entitled "Iraq: The Cradle of Civilization," written and narrated by historian Michael Wood, during the past two weeks to enlighten students on the historical context of the war.

The area we know as modern Iraq was once Mesopotamia, the site of the Fertile Crescent, where ancients living between the Tigris and Euphrates rivers first used agriculture to form settled communities. Uruk, a Sumerian settlement dating back to 4000 B.C., stood as the world's first city. This settlement was the birthplace of much of what defines civilization, including writing, pottery, maps, mathematics and even the first university. Still a vibrant region, Iraq contains the world's oldest continuously inhabited cities.

According to the Bible, the Garden of Eden and Tower of Babel once stood in Mesopotamia. Abraham, well-known for being one of the fathers of Judaism, was a citizen of Ur. The biblical story of the Great Flood survived by Noah is based on the devastating floods that took place here, and even the book of "Genesis" says this is where life began.

Of course, all this makes Iraq a haven for archaeologists. The towering ziggurat at Uruk, still standing, was once a temple to the goddess Innana. Hammurabi developed his legal code in Babylon in 1750 B.C., and prehistoric villages lie all over the desert, along with thousands of inscribed tablets, stone statues, tiles, pottery and more.

Much more recently, Iraq's government created a Department of Antiquities, under which scholars from all over the world could come to excavate and study the history of these sites. Artifacts were recorded and carefully stored in museums in Baghdad and other major cities and excavation was closely regulated. That is, until the Gulf War.

When Iraqi President Saddam Hussein invaded Kuwait in 1990, archaeologists in Iraq hurried to secure historical objects within walls packed with sandbags. While open sites were damaged in the war (including the great ziggurat, which now bears over 400 bullet holes), the museums survived the war surprisingly well. It was not until the fighting ceased and rioting citizens plundered them that many objects were destroyed and others sold on the black market. The United Nation's economic embargo on Iraq meant that far less funding was available to support the Department of Antiquities, and looting and smuggling flourished in the absence of tight control.

Ironically, archaeology was just beginning to regain a hold on Iraq in the summer of 2001 when the conflict was drawn back into the Middle East by the Sept. 11 attacks. Now, as war is being waged in Iraq yet again, archaeologists fear a repeat performance of the destruction of artifacts and historical sites that that happened in 1991. Bombing, drilling and angry rioting have the potential to devastate any hopes of learning all that the land's history has to offer, and scholars are holding their breath.

As archaeologists wait to use Iraq's history for research, Hussein is using it for his own purposes. Historically speaking, Hussein is only the most recent in a long line of oppressive dictators to hold control over this region, many of whom date back to the most ancient times. What is striking about Iraq's current situation is that Hussein has been using the history of these dictators to draw authority to his own rule. By depicting himself in various artwork in a manner similar to that of Assyrian kings on ancient stone relief, he has set himself up as the rightful heir to a long line of rulers. Interestingly enough, the tyrants he has chosen to impersonate were among the most cruel and oppressive Iraq has seen. For example, Hussein has identified with Nebuchadnezzar, a tyrant who, at the height of the Babylonian empire, conquered Israel and brought the Jews back to Babylon in exile.

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Hussein has also rebuilt the ruined walls of ancient Babylon, writing his achievements on the bricks just as the city's first kings did. Doing so has generated controversy both over his propaganda ploy and over the damage the reconstruction has caused to the archaeological site.

"History is cyclical, not linear," Associate Professor of Classics Janet Jones said about watching the PBS video with her students. "Iraq has seen so many harsh rulers that Saddam's rule is another in a long line of tyrannies. Ancient Iraq brought us all the good things about civilization, but also cruelty, oppression and war. And that's what civilization is—the good and the bad coming together."

Unfortunately, damage done to Iraq's archaeological treasures hurts more than one culture: It is the destruction of evidence from the very origins of Western Civilization. The world's cultures grew out of ideas and inventions that originated in Mesopotamia, and so many heritages are tied into the identity of that one place. There is more than oil buried under the sand of Iraq; let's just hope it's still there when the war ends.

Flashback: Vietnam protesters speak out

By Jack Schmidt '72
Editor-in-Chief '71

> *This is not the first time there has been a controversial war in the University's history. The Vietnam War produced many articles in* The Bucknellian, *as students began speaking out against the events unfolding in Southeast Asia. This is an article from* The Bucknellian *archives dated Feb. 12, 1971.*

In a demonstration against "the mounting inhumanity of our government" and expressing "outrage at the American-directed invasion of Laos," one-hundred twenty persons, mostly from the University, joined in a march through the streets of Lewisburg on Wednesday afternoon.

The day was marked by the actions of seven students who returned their draft cards to the local draft board office on Fifth Street. The students were Barry Brown, Bill Gardiner, Ed McGill, Bob Miller, Rus Pais, Mark Powers, and Allen Wheatcroft.

The march began at the library headquarters where the protesters sang a few verses of the old civil rights song, "We Shall Overcome."

The group then moved to the draft board office where other songs were sung. Pais attempted to turn in his draft card at this time, and spoke of his cards as "symbols I no longer want to be a part of." The board was closed for lunch, and, after some discussion, the group decided to march up Market Street to the Federal Court House.

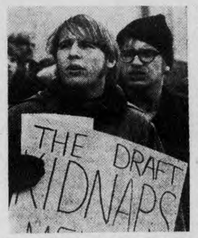
Local police, whose presence was evident throughout the march requested that the marchers stay on at noon, and the group proceeded down Seventh Street to the ROTC the sidewalk, and the group complied with the request. There were no incidents.

The group "occupied" the steps of the court house, collectively read a statement of protest, sang songs, broke bread together, and distributed literature to passers-by.

Lewisburg residents seemed to take only partial notice of the marchers, but accepted the position papers they were presented with. Perhaps the most attention paid the group by the local news reporters and photographers. WUDO covered the march with frequent "bulletins" interrupting their regular programs.

The marchers then returned to the draft office, and Pais and others presented their cards. Pais expressed his sentiments after disposing of his card: "It's done. I feel relieved."

The marchers took part in the hour and a half demonstration with mixed feelings as to their own motives for acting. A perhaps not untypical comment was the one of a marcher who said, "I'm not sure its accomplishing what it's supposed to." The gentlemen next to him returned, "What is it supposed to do."



The sentiments of many were expressed on this placard displayed by Tom Jones, '74.
(photo by Doug Abdelnour)

The march had been agreed on at a mass meeting held Tuesday night in Vaughan Literature Auditorium. Prof. Jerome Rinyus delivered an opening speech outlining the intelligence operations of the U.S. in Vietnam. In conclusion, he asked that the least anyone could do in response to the Laos invasion was to "convince one other person that killing other men is wrong."

Rick Beardsley then attempted to guide the open discussion among the approximately three hundred attending the meeting. It was hoped that the group would develop an appropriate course of action for the following day.

For the next hour, various points were raised ranging from suggestions to shovel sidewalks to a challenge for the "truly committed" to burn the draft files at the local board office.

Frustration abounded, and Beardsley was led at one point to plead, "Let's just take a vote on something." Karl Patten suggested the march which was carried out the next day.

The following is the protest statement of the marchers:

We, individual members of the Bucknell community, protest the mounting inhumanity of our government. We are here today to express our outrage at the American-directed invasion of Laos, which we regard as yet another immoral and illegal action of our government in Southeast Asia. But we realize that Laos is essentially a foreign version of our domestic disregard for human life and liberty, a disregard which has exploded in violence and repression across the land. Standing here we affirm that life and liberty and ask that all men join us.

Beef with Uncle Sam

Uncle Sam: During the war of 1812, a patriot, Samuel Wilson, supplied U.S. troops with beef in barrels. The barrels were labeled "U.S.," and when a worker was asked what it stood for, he responded, "Uncle Sam," referring to his employer. The troops began to associate Uncle Sam with the federal government, and the idea was picked up by a cartoonist who created the image that is so well known today.

The American Flag: Everyone knows that the American flag has 13 red and white stripes to represent the original 13 colonies and 50 stars to represent all of the states in the Union today. But did you ever wonder why red, white and blue? The white signifies purity and innocence, the red shows valor and bravery and the blue represents vigilance, perseverance and justice.

The Bald Eagle: Our national symbol is a well-known symbol of the strength, courage and freedom of our nation. The decision to use the Bald Eagle was actually a result of a six-year debate in Congress.

The National Seal: The seal was created Benjamin Franklin, John Adams and Thomas Jefferson, and finalized in 1782. The eagle holds 13 olive leaves and 13 arrows to "denote the power of peace and war." Above the eagle there are 13 stars within a circular cloud, showing that America is a new state among many other nations. Along the top reads "e pluribus unum." The reverse side of the seal, sometimes called the spiritual side, has a 13-step pyramid topped by an eye. At the bottom of the pyramid the year 1776 is written in Roman numerals, under which a scroll reads, "New order of the ages." Across the top, the eye and words mean, "He favors our undertakings."

The Liberty Bell: The current bell is actually not the original bell. When the bell arrived from London, it cracked and so local blacksmiths melted it down and recast it. We currently have the third casting of the bell. But the bell had a rough history, including being hidden in the basement of the Zion's Reformed Church in Allentown, Pa., during the Revolutionary War so as to protect it from the British. It is now rung lightly every Fourth of July.

The Statue of Liberty: A gift from the people of France, its formal name is "Liberty Enlightening the World." At her feet lie "the chains of tyranny" and atop her head are seven rays to symbolize the seven seas and continents.

Source: http://bensguide.gpo.gov/3-5/symbols/index.html

FEATURES

ROTC teaches leadership and discipline skills

Courtesy of Bucknell University ROTC

University cadets participate in an outdoor leadership activity. Cadets attend leader labs and field training exercises throughout each semester to apply classroom information in practical ways.

By Alyson Walker
Features Editor

While most University students are asleep in bed at 6 a.m. on Monday morning, cadets of the University's ROTC program are wide awake and beginning their physical training (PT).

Students enter the ROTC program two ways—either through the scholarship process or by expressing interest in the first or second year of college. Those who decide to enter the scholarship process during their senior year of high school sign a binding contract to complete the ROTC program, get a four-year degree and go on to a commission.

Students who are interested in serving their country but have not gone through the scholarship process can participate for the first two years of college, but must decide at the beginning of their junior year whether to sign a contract and continue with the ROTC program.

Matt Gabler '06 chose ROTC because of his interest in both the military and college.

"I've always been interested in the military. My brother enlisted right after high school, and I saw the ROTC program—it allowed me to do the military, which I thought was a great and noble venture, and at the same time go to college. It was the best of both worlds," Gabler said.

Emily Rentschler '03 selected ROTC because of its potential benefits.

"I saw no negatives to the program when I started looking into it during my freshman year," Rentschler said. "It would keep me in shape, help me to become a more effective leader and I would have a job upon graduation, which would put me in a good position for a business career later in life if I choose to leave the Army."

The requirements for ROTC vary based on class year. First-year cadets have one hour of ROTC class, sophomores have two and juniors and seniors have three. All of the cadets have mandatory PT on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Lt. Col. Nate Smyth, director of ROTC, emphasized that the ROTC program is based on leadership and exemplifies this through its events.

"ROTC is the best leadership program offered in America. It teaches cadets time management, leadership, decision making and discipline," Smyth said. "ROTC is cadet-run. The cadre [leadership] provides oversight, resources and steer them in the right direction, but senior cadets plan, organize and execute events."

Some of these events include leader labs that occur one Saturday per month. These sessions provide time for cadets to take what they've learned in their military science courses and put it into operation.

"Leader labs are an opportunity to take classroom instruction and apply it outside. For example, the first-year and sophomore classes take an introductory course on land navigation, would learn how to read a map, determine distances and terrain features," Smyth said. "During the leader labs, we take it outside. You can't master land navigation unless you go outside and apply the information taught in class."

Leader labs are also used for small unit tactical training, such as firing M-16s, adventure training, including rock walls and zip lines, and leadership reaction courses. The cadets also hone in their drill and ceremony during leader labs.

Another way to build on leadership and training are field training exercises (FTX), which occur once a semester. Cadets leave campus on a Friday afternoon and return Sunday afternoon.

There are also extracurricular activities for the cadets. They can participate in the color guard, which presents the flags at University football games. Another organization within ROTC is the Ranger Challenge Team. These cadets compete against 21 other colleges in the brigade. The University team was seventh out of 22 this year, and received third place the year prior. Cadets also participate in fundraising and community service projects.

The ROTC program and its activities provide opportunities for cadets to experience new things, according to Paulo Castelo '06.

"I shot a M-16 gun—I had never shot a gun before in my life—canoed, rappelled over a wall. ROTC has taught me and continues to teach me so much," Castelo said.

Rentschler agree that she has learned a great deal from the ROTC program over her four years in the program.

"I have learned how to be an effective leader, how to work with many different types of people from varying backgrounds, as well as Army values, standards and tactics," Rentschler said. "I have learned a lot about myself from the experiences I have had and they have helped me to become a more well-rounded person."

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Between the course work and the leader labs, students learn skills that can be used, not only for the military, but also in their day-to-day lives, Smyth said.

"A lot of the skills we teach here are applicable whether the student or cadet completes the ROTC program. The things we teach here are applicable at school and later on in life," Smyth said.

Smyth said that the cadets have many opportunities to use their leadership skills through participation in a variety of activities outside of ROTC.

"A lot of the cadets are S.A.L.S. (Scholar Athlete Leaders). They're scholars because they do well academically. They're athletes because they're both mentally and physically strong. They're leaders because they've accepted the challenge to head organizations here on campus and in the community—they're presidents of fraternities and sororities, on athletic teams like crew and rugby and many other organizations on campus," Smyth said.

Some have expressed concern over how the current war with Iraq will affect the ROTC cadets. Smyth said that the ROTC students will not be sent to Iraq.

"They will remain here on campus to finish up their four-year degrees. The Army realizes the importance of an education and wouldn't want to interrupt it, because as an officer, it's a big responsibility to lead others, and they wouldn't want to interrupt that learning process," Smyth said.

After the completion of a four-year degree, cadets choose from three different placements—active duty, the National Guard and Reserves. Most University students tend to choose active duty, according to Smyth.

"Most Bucknell University cadets choose active duty. They want to serve their country full-time, and they like the challenge of leading others," Smyth said.

Gabler feels ROTC helps him focus and prepare for the future.

"ROTC helps me work towards a goal that I always wanted—to be an officer in the military. I think it's also important the way it builds character. You learn skills that aren't just Army-oriented; you learn team building and leadership skills—and that's applicable anywhere," Gabler said.

A week in the life of an ROTC cadet

Emily Rentschler
Contributing Writer

On Monday morning, I wake up at 5:30 a.m. to go to physical training (PT) at 6 a.m., which lasts for an hour. I then come home and shower, catch up on the news, do some homework and go to class at 9 a.m. I then usually head over to the Spratt House (ROTC building) to talk to Lt. Col. Nate Smyth and Cap. Brian Elliott about different events that are going on, which typically lasts for 60-90 minutes.

Then I go do work for my regular classes and attend class at 2 p.m. At 3, I come home and start preparing for ROTC class that night, usually reading from our textbook and creating an agenda for a staff meeting that I run.

Next I iron my uniform, shine my boots and grab a bite to eat. We leave at 6 p.m. to go to Bloomsburg University for class. The lecture part of class is usually an hour to an hour and a half, and then I run my staff meeting to work on all of the training events we are currently planning for the cadets. We usually head home around 10 and get back on campus around 10:45 p.m.

On Tuesday, I don't have any mandatory ROTC activities, but I usually spend an hour or so sending out e-mails and working on issues we discussed during the meeting. I also swim or work out on my own since we don't have PT. Then, I'll head over to Spratt House to talk to any cadet I need to regarding training events, uniforms, color guard—really anything that cadets are involved in.

Wednesday is PT again in the morning, and then normal classes. I might spend an hour or two doing ROTC stuff, depending on how much there is. Thursday is similar to Tuesday, but if we have a training event planned for that Saturday, I'll spend more time at Spratt House. If not, I may or may not stop by.

On Friday, I have PT again. Other than that, my ROTC time is dependent on whether or not we have an event the next day. If we have a training event on Saturday, I'll usually be preparing for it Friday night—going over final details and preparing myself for the tasks I am responsible for. On a normal Saturday, I usually have off from ROTC. If we do have an event, it is usually all day—from about 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. or later, depending on the event. Sunday is also a day that I do minimal work for ROTC—maybe send some e-mails regarding class for the next day.

That is my basic ROTC week. I usually try to go to bed by 10:30-11 p.m. when I have PT the next morning. Different times of the year are busier than others. In the fall, we are responsible for the color guards at the football games, which is a Saturday commitment. In the spring, we have a lot more events in a short period of time, so the senior staff does a lot more work and our staff meetings are longer.

As a senior, I have more work that I did as a first-year student or sophomore. Junior year, I spent more time doing individual prep work rather than working with the other cadets or the cadre on a daily basis.

How to take care of the red, white and blue

This collection of questions has been answered by using the U.S. Flag Code. While this is an official document, there are no actual penalties for any offenses against this code. Instead it is meant to be a basic code of conduct, but not a mandatory one.

How should I hang my flag?

Not: Draped over the hood, top, sides or back of a vehicle, railroad train or boat. When the flag is displayed on a motorcar, the staff shall be fixed firmly to the chassis or clamped to the right fender.

On a pole: It should be the highest flag and should be in front of any other flags.

On a wall: The union should be uppermost and to the observer's left. When displayed in a window, the flag should be displayed in the same way, with the union or blue field to the left of the observer in the street.

When should the flag be displayed?

It is the universal custom to display the flag only from sunrise to sunset on buildings and on stationary flagstaffs in the open. When a patriotic effect is desired, the flag may be displayed 24 hours a day if properly illuminated during the hours of darkness.

What is the procedure of putting a flag at half staff?

The flag, when flown at half staff, should be first hoisted to the peak for an instant and then lowered to the half staff position. The flag should be again raised to the peak before it is lowered for the day.

Are there particular days the flag should be up?

Particular days of display New Year's Day, January 1; Inauguration Day, January 20; Lincoln's Birthday, February 12; Washington's Birthday, third Monday in February, Easter Sunday; Mother's Day, second Sunday in May; Armed Forces Day, third Saturday in May; Memorial Day (half-staff until noon), the last Monday in May; Flag Day, June 14; Independence Day, July 4; Labor Day, first Monday in September; Constitution Day, Sept. 17; Columbus Day, second Monday in October; Navy Day, Oct. 27; Veterans Day, Nov. 11; Thanksgiving Day, fourth Thursday in November; Christmas Day, Dec. 25; and such other days as may be proclaimed by the president of the United States; the birthdays of states (date of admission); and on state holidays.

When should the flag be at half staff?

On Memorial Day the flag should be displayed at half staff until noon only, then raised to the top of the staff. By order of the president, the flag shall be flown at half staff upon the death of principal figures of the U.S. government. In the event of the death of other officials or foreign dignitaries, the flag is to be displayed at half staff according to presidential instructions or orders, or in accordance with recognized customs or practices not inconsistent with law.

How long should I keep the flag at half staff?

Death of president (or former): 30 days from the death of the president or a former president

Vice President: 10 days

Chief Justice (or retired) or the Speaker of the House: from the day of death until interment of an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court.

What does an upside down flag mean, and is it legal?

A flag displayed with the union down is prohibited except as a signal of dire distress in instances of extreme danger to life or property.

Is there a certain way to carry the flag?

The flag should never be carried flat or horizontally, but always aloft and free.

What do you do with a tattered flag?

The flag, when it is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem for display, should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning.

What about flags on clothing?

The flag should never be used as wearing apparel, bedding or drapery. It should never be festooned, drawn back, nor up, in folds, but always allowed to fall free. Bunting of blue, white and red, always arranged with the blue above, the white in the middle and the red below, should be used for covering a speaker's desk, draping the front of the platform and for decoration in general.

How about all of the flags being used in advertisements?

The flag should never be used for advertising purposes. It should not be embroidered on such articles as cushions or handkerchiefs printed or otherwise impressed on paper napkins or boxes or anything that is designed for temporary use and discard. Advertising signs should not be fastened to a staff or halyard from which the flag is flown.

But what if the flag is being worn to show patriotism?

No part of the flag should ever be used as a costume or athletic uniform. A flag patch may be affixed to the uniform of military personnel, firemen, policemen and members of patriotic organizations.

Where should you wear a flag pin?

The flag represents a living country and is itself considered a living thing. The lapel flag pin being a replica should be worn on the left lapel near the heart.

What is the meaning of the flag folding ceremony?

The first fold of our flag is a symbol of life.

The second fold is a symbol of our belief in the eternal life.

The third fold is made in honor and remembrance of the veteran departing our ranks who gave a portion of life for the defense of our country to attain a peace throughout the world.

The fourth fold represents our weaker nature, for as American citizens trusting in God, it is to Him we turn in times of peace as well as in times of war for His divine guidance.

The fifth fold is a tribute to our country, for in the words of Stephen Decatur, "Our country, in dealing with other countries, may she always be right; but it is still our country, right or wrong."

The sixth fold is for where our hearts lie. It is with our heart that we pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

The seventh fold is a tribute to our Armed Forces, for it is through the Armed Forces that we protect our country and our flag against all her enemies, whether they are found within or without the boundaries of our republic.

The eighth fold is a tribute to the person who entered in to the valley of the shadow of death, that we might see the light of day, and to honor mother, for whom it flies on Mother's Day.

The ninth fold is a tribute to womanhood; for it has been through their faith, love, loyalty and devotion that the character of the men and women who have made this country great have been molded.

The 10th fold is a tribute to father, for he, too, has given his sons and daughters for the defense of our country since they were first born.

The 11th fold, in the eyes of a Hebrew citizen, represents the lower portion of the seal of King David and King Solomon, and glorifies, in their eyes, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

The 12th fold, in the eyes of a Christian citizen, represents an emblem of eternity and glorifies, in their eyes, God the Father, the Son and Holy Ghost.

When the flag is completely folded, the stars are uppermost, reminding us of our national motto, "In God we trust."

How do you fold the flag?

Step One: To properly fold the flag, begin by holding it waist-high with another person so that its surface is parallel to the ground.

Step Two: Fold the lower half of the stripe section lengthwise over the field of stars, holding the bottom and top edges securely.

Step Three: Fold the flag again lengthwise with the blue field on the outside.

Step Four: Make a triangular fold by bringing the striped corner of the folded edge to meet the open (top) edge of the flag.

Step Five: Turn the outer (end) point inward, parallel to the open edge, to form a second triangle.

Step Six: The triangular folding is continued until the entire length of the flag is folded in this manner.

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"Blanche White" novelist gives reading

By Beth Kengeter
Staff Writer

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Raising issues of color and class within the black community in her writing, mystery novelist Barbara Neely read a piece from her latest novel, "Blanche Passes Go" at The Stadler Center for Poetry.

Mystery novelist Barbara Neely read a selection from her latest novel, "Blanche Passes Go," Sunday evening. Neely, author of the popular Blanche White mystery novels, read for a full audience despite the snowy weather.

"I thought it was very good," Tyler Mills '05 said. "I studied her works last semester and it was interesting to hear them read in person."

Before reading her selection, Neely gave a brief introduction to the title character, Blanche White. Blanche is a black lower-class household servant who happens to be a detective. Poor and single, Blanche White represents the "invisible people" in society, those who work service jobs and go unnoticed. Many individuals will do things in front of lower-class citizens that they would not otherwise do in public. Neely said she uses Blanche White as a way to look at society from "beneath her skirts."

The issues raised in these books go beyond the superficial murder mystery plot to look at the issues of color and class within the black community, the environment, race and violence against women. In describing her style, Neely compared herself to a magician flashing around her right hand while performing the trick with the left. The murder mystery is a way to pull people in who would not otherwise read a book about race and class.

"I thought her discussion on the myth that just because one has more money and education doesn't mean that they are better than anyone else was particularly interesting," Kristin Lunny '05 said. "It was just a really true statement that people often forget."

"Blanche on the Lam" was the first novel in the Blanche White series and won the Agatha, Macavity and Anthony awards, three of the four major awards for best first novel in the mystery genre. Since then Neely has written in "Blanche among the Talented Tenth," "Blanche Cleans Up" and "Blanche Passes Go." The Blanche White mysteries have been translated into French, German and Japanese.

In addition to writing, Neely has worked extensively in the public sector. She designed and directed the first community-based corrections facility for women in Pennsylvania, directed a branch of the YWCA and headed a consulting firm for nonprofit organizations. She has served in leadership roles with the Institute for Social Research and Women for Economic Justice, and has been a radio producer for Africa News Service. For her activism, she has received the Community Works Social Action Award for Leadership and Activism for Women's Rights and Economic Justice and the Fighting for Women's Voices Award from the Coalition for Basic Human Needs.

Pianist Snyder tickles keys, audience

By Julianna Pietak
Senior Writer

CONCERT REVIEW

Pianist Barry Snyder gave an intense and virtuosic performance Friday evening in the Weis Center for the Performing Arts. Providing an alternative to House Party festivities, Snyder played pieces ranging from a classical Franz Joseph Haydn to a piece written for him in 1992.

According to the program notes, Snyder was the winner of three major prizes at the acclaimed Van Cliburn International Piano Competition in 1966. He now teaches at the equally prestigious Eastman School of Music in Rochester, N.Y.

Professor of Music Barry Hannigan invited Snyder to campus because of his musical eminence.

"I brought him here for Bucknell students to hear really world-class piano technique; he really is world-class," Hannigan said.

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Winner of three major prizes at the Van Cliburn International Piano Competition in 1966, Pianist Barry Snyder poses for a picture before performing. Snyder played a range of classical music at the University last Friday.

The evening's performance left the listener amazed at the sheer intensity of the music and talent of the performer. The first piece performed was Haydn's Sonata in C Major, Hob. XVI/50. Containing three separate movements—an allegro, adagio and allegro molto—and each movement was distinctive in its tempo. Three of the movements had a bright and classical air with a large dynamic range.

The next two pieces on the program for the evening were Maurice Ravel's "Gaspard de la Nuit" and "Variations on a Theme of Paganini," by Johannes Brahms, both written during the Romantic period. The first, "Gaspard de la Nuit," sounded hushed and almost dreamlike, despite its virtuosic use of the whole keyboard. As the piece grew, so did the sound, ending dramatically and powerfully in the last movement, "Scarbo." The skillful handling of the notes continued in Brahms' piece, taken from a theme originally written for a solo string player.

After a brief intermission, the pianist continued the concert with "Four Concert Improvisations on the Name Barry Snyder," which Carter Pann wrote specifically for Snyder. Each movement of this piece is fairly simple with great variation in texture and tempo. In a modern twist, Snyder plucked the inside of the piano during the second movement, "Feux D'artifice."

Following this modern composition was the songlike "Waltz from Coppelia" by Delibes-Dohnanyi. Alexander Scriabin's Sonata No. 5, Opus 53 brought the evening's performance to a very stirring and forceful end.

Throughout the night, Snyder brought both intense concentration and ease to all the pieces he performed. The attentiveness and poise continued even when his music fell off the piano.

"I was really scared when his music fell down," Margaret Fairfield '05 said. "It's like when iceskaters fall down during their performance. But I liked his stage presence. When you like the performer, it is easier to like the music."

Perhaps the culmination of his world-class technique and stage presence was best summed up by music student Sarah Houck '06.

"I just thought he was amazing," Houck said.

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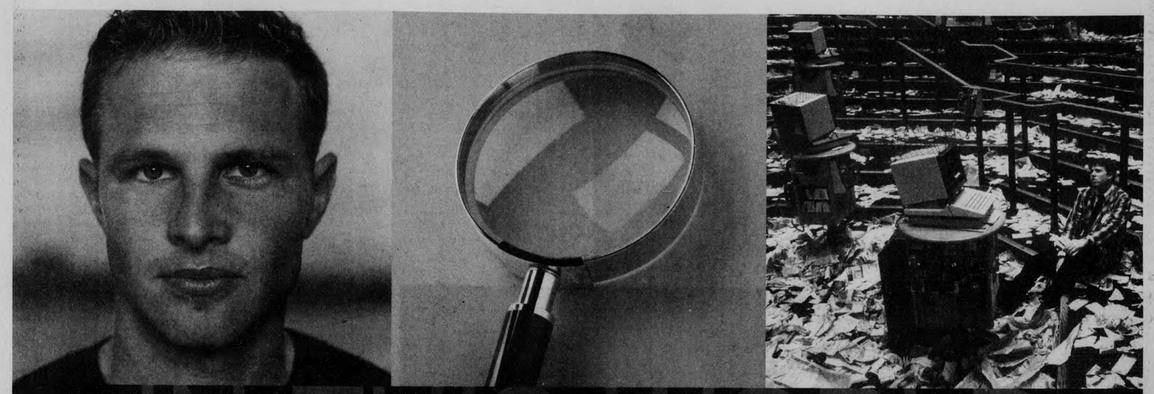

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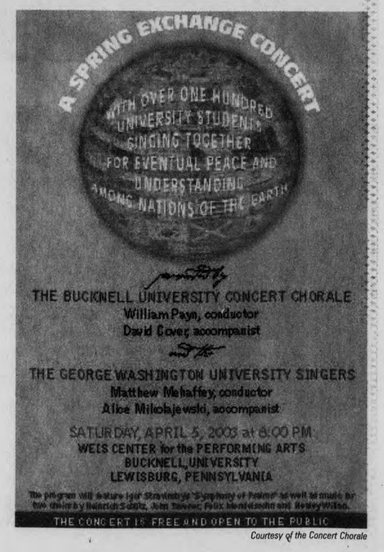
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Beyond Aladdin—Arabic art takes the stage

By Melinda Kummer
Arts & Entertainment Editor

Knowledge of Arabic culture to some Americans extends no further than the magic carpet rides of Aladdin or the package covering on a box of Camel Lights. Turbans and veils are associated with snake charmer music and even Dana Carvey used this association for laughs in his movie "Master of Disguise." To those fascinated by the pop art of Western culture, Islamic art falls away as religiously restrained.

Though strict Islamic art is religiously motivated, Middle Eastern culture has shaped Western thought on ideas of what art encompasses. The Mesopotamian area, also known as the cradle of civilization, boasts some of the oldest forms of art. Using mediums such as tiling and silk, Middle Easterners have forged the way in such arts as mosaic and rug weaving.

Most of us walk on Persian rugs and never think twice about the artistry involved in the manufacturing of the lovely carpets.

"Plants, flowers and even geometric motifs have special meanings. The cypress tree symbolizes mourning, as well as immortality through death. The palm and the coconut are metaphors of blessing and fulfillment. The peony symbolizes wealth, while the lotus foretells a great lineage," according to islamicart.com.

Infoplease.com notes in its section on Islamic art how calligraphy originated in Egypt during the mid-10th through 13th centuries.

Beyond lettering, painting and weaving, belly dancing as a visual art form is an Arabic tradition.

Today, Middle Eastern art still retains unique artistic styles. "Strokes of Genius" (SOG) a group now exhibiting in England, showcases the pieces of contemporary Iraqi artists. "ShowCaseArts," a publication of Islamic art and literature, asked the founder of the SOG project, Maysaloun Faraj, "whether there were any clearly delineated trends in Iraqi art [and she] described the plight of individual artists as the deciding factor, very much a personal response, usually depicting the homeland." A sampling of the art and an exhibition schedule is available at www.strokes-of-genius.com.

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Eman Khalid's work is showcased in the Strokes of Genius exhibition tour in England. The tour started in October of 2000, and will culminate a tremendous six years of work and effort.

Lila Abu-Lughod describes the women in Bedouin society, expressing emotion and political discourse though oral lyrical poetry in her book "Veiled Sentiments." The modern movie "Lawrence of Arabia" is based on Bedouin culture.

While contemporary artists delve into themes of tragedy and heritage, art historians share a special concern for the protection of ancient art sites in Iraq. In 1991, the world-famous National Museum of Antiquities in Baghdad withstood bombing. Other culturally important sites such as ancient shrines may find themselves in the line of fire due to the current conflict.

Though Western civilization largely ignores the contributions of Islamic art, the roots found in its ancient traditions cannot be denied.

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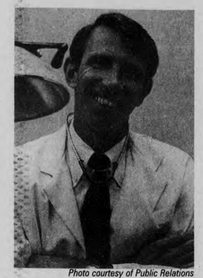

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J. Preston Hoyle served as Medical Director at the University. Hoyle passed away March 29.

By Jennifer Jenchura
Senior Writer

Former University medical director J. Preston Hoyle passed away March 29 at age 73 after an extended illness.

Hoyle became a member of the University community as a physician in 1962. After nearly 19 years as an associate physician in the student medical service he became the medical director of the University Student Health Service beginning in 1981. He was instrumental in initiating several campus medical programs such as the AIDS Task Force.

"As a result of this committee, the Pennsylvania Department of Health comes to campus on a regular basis to administer HIV testing. He was also instrumental in creating the Student Health Service Advisory Committee which prompted changes at the Student Health Service, such as the availability for prescription medication to be purchased at the health center and providing courier service for patients' laboratory specimens to Evangelical Community Hospital for analysis," said Nancy Shuck, Health Service assistant director.

Developing the University's first alcohol and drug program, Hoyle strived for better public health education, including treatment of alcohol and drug addiction.

"He was a kind and compassionate man who cared deeply about his family, colleagues, students and patients. He had a pleasant personality and a great sense of humor," said Bob Thomas, coordinator of drug and alcohol programs at the University.

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Norville to speak at Commencement

Emmy award-winning journalist to speak about dealing with the curves in life's path

By Rachel Laskow
Senior Editor

When this year's Commencement speaker was announced on Tuesday, many students were quick to judge the decision and immediately offered negative comments. Once students got past the fact that they had never heard her name and realized that she was a two-time Emmy winner, many decided that Deborah Norville, the anchor of CBS' "Inside Edition," could provide an informative and influential speech.

"I was a bit taken aback when I first found out because most people were not expecting a television host, but I look forward to her insight and words of advice for the Class of 2003 as we start off journeys after Bucknell," Emily Resnick '03 said.

According to Class of 2003 President Laura Day, Norville will speak about how people can deal with emotions during a time of crisis.

"Deborah Norville has demonstrated her perseverance in both the public and private roles as a news anchor for 'Inside Edition,' author of 'Back on Track,' a mother of three and an Emmy winner. She provides inspiration to all who have faced obstacles in reaching their goals, specifically how to get 'back on your feet after a crushing defeat,'" Day said. "I am excited to hear Deborah Norville's compelling message and timely commentary in light of our complicated times."

Norville has hosted "Inside Edition" since 1995 and, according to insideedition.com, ratings for the nation's top-rated syndicated show climbed 15 percent in the first week she was a host.

Before hosting "Inside Edition," Norville anchored CBS' "America Tonight" and reported for "48 Hours," "Street Stories" and the "CBS Evening News." She was also a co-anchor of NBC's "Today Show."

Her book "Back On Track: How To Straighten Out Your Life When It Throws You A Curve" is based on her experiences at NBC's "Today Show." According to dnorville.com, her book offers a plan for renewal and redirection for women everywhere.

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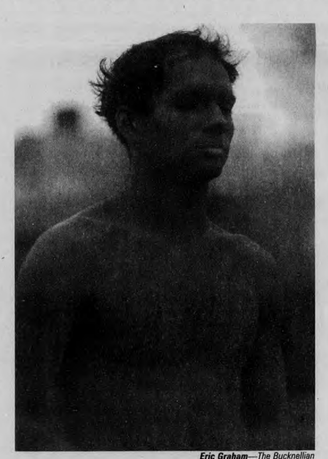

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Justin Valls '03 stood motionless on the Academic Quad from 6 a.m. until sundown on April 3, peacefully demonstrating against the war. "I think it's very effective," Ryan McClune '03 said. "I think he accomplished what he wanted to do."

Mauriello '02 wins award for *Bucknellian* Greek series

By Elisabeth Salemme
News Editor

Former *Bucknellian* Sports Editor Carmen Mauriello '02 is the first-place recipient of the collegiate public service/enterprise series category in the Pennsylvania Newspaper Association Foundation's annual Keystone Contest for the six-part series he wrote last spring investigating the University's Greek system.

"Carmen initiated the series of Greek articles. Each article was well-researched and provided a well-balanced insight into the Greek system. Carmen takes a lot of pride in his work and that certainly shows in his consistently excellent articles," former *Bucknellian* Editor-In-Chief Rachel Laskow '03 said.

Mauriello thought the story was newsworthy and interesting.

"There was a lot of questioning about the Greek system's future at Bucknell," Mauriello said. "People thought the administration was trying to close it down, and I thought the spring would be telling for the Greek system."

Originally, Mauriello was given one article assignment about fraternities not being able to fill their houses with enough members.

"In talking to the administration, it seemed a lot was going on, and a bunch of other article ideas came into my head. I wanted to hit as many angles as I could," Mauriello said.

There were four additional issues Mauriello focused on in his subsequent articles. The fraternity member size had changed and Mauriello reported that all fraternities used to be about equal in membership size, but over the years some lost members and some gained more. Mauriello also analyzed the Administration's idea of a bring-your-own-beer trial period.

"House Party was the third issue I focused on. There was a whole new set of rules and I basically analyzed those and judged the success of House Party," Mauriello said.

The last issue Mauriello wrote about was the rush changes for fraternities.

"This was an issue of trying to make it more fair so all fraternities got an equal shot," Mauriello said.

Mauriello said his hope was to inform people about what was going on during all the changes to the Greek system.

"I explored all that was going on and through the series helped more people understand what was going on instead of them listening to rumors. I just stuck to hard news and the changes happening in the system. I tried to get a lot of student feedback, for example, 'Did this make events better or worse?'" Mauriello said.

Mauriello has worked at *The Daily Item* for the past 10 months as a reporter, and he is pursuing journalism as a career.

"This is a really nice honor, and a nice thing to have on my résumé," Mauriello said.

Local paper exaggerates House Party incidents

By Jason Oster
Staff Writer

Following the University tradition of House Party, from March 28-30 this year, a local newspaper published an article about House Party 2003, which was exaggerated, according to Dean of Students Richard Ferraro. While trying to tell a captivating story to its readers, the paper embellished certain happenings that went on several weeks ago.

"There were several things that were wrong with that article," Ferraro said.

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Another problem with the article is that it gave the illusion of mayhem in the streets and exaggerated effects, which caused the arrests.

"In actuality, the police simply stopped people who were drinking underage or speeding," Ferraro said.

The arrests did not result in sending students to jail. There are three levels of police involvement. The first is a felony, which results in jail time; the second is a misdemeanor, which is somewhat serious and has the possibility of spending time in jail; and the third level is a summary offense, which is simply a citation or a ticket. The students who met with the police during House Party

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The Bucknell Symphonic Band, under the direction of Associate Professor of Music William Kenny, will be performing a variety of works in the Weis Center for the Performing Arts at 7:30 p.m. tonight. Guest conductor Frank Ticheli will lead the band in four original works. The concert is free and open to the public.

Beyond Aladdin—Arabic art takes the stage

By Melinda Kummer
Arts & Entertainment Editor

Knowledge of Arabic culture to some Americans extends no further than the magic carpet rides of Aladdin or the package covering on a box of Camel Lights. Turbans and veils are associated with snake charmer music and even Dana Carvey used this association for laughs in his movie "Master of Disguise." To those fascinated by the pop art of Western culture, islamic art falls away as religiously restrained.

Though strict Islamic art is religiously motivated, Middle Eastern culture has shaped Western thought on ideas of what art encompasses. The Mesopotamian area, also known as the cradle of civilization, boasts some of the oldest forms of art. Using mediums such as tiling and silk, Middle Easterners have forged the way in such arts as mosaic and rug weaving.

Most of us walk on Persian rugs and never think twice about the artistry involved in the manufacturing of the lovely carpets.

"Plants, flowers and even geometric motifs have special meanings. The cypress tree symbolizes mourning, as well as immortality through death. The palm and the coconut are metaphors of blessing and fulfillment. The peony symbolizes wealth, while the lotus foretells a great lineage," according to islamicart.com.

Infoplease.com notes in its section on Islamic art how calligraphy originated in Egypt during the mid-10th through 13th centuries.

Beyond lettering, painting and weaving, belly dancing as a visual art form is an Arabic tradition.

Today, Middle Eastern art still retains unique artistic styles. "Strokes of Genius" (SOG) a group now exhibiting in England, showcases the pieces of contemporary Iraqi artists. "ShowCaseArts," a publication of Islamic art and literature, asked the founder of the SOG project, Maysaloun Faraj, "whether there were any clearly delineated trends in Iraqi art [and she] described the plight of individual artists as the deciding factor, very much a personal response, usually depicting the homeland." A sampling of the art and an exhibition schedule is available at www.strokes-of-genius.com.

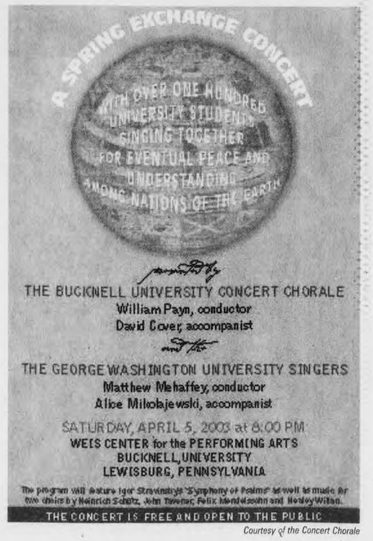
Lila Abu-Lughod describes the women in Bedouin society, expressing emotion and political discourse though oral lyrical poetry in her book "Veiled Sentiments." The modern movie "Lawrence of Arabia" is based on Bedouin culture.

While contemporary artists delve into themes of tragedy and heritage, art historians share a special concern for the protection of ancient art sites in Iraq. In 1991, the world-famous National Museum of Antiquities in Baghdad withstood bombing. Other culturally important sites such as ancient shrines may find themselves in the line of fire due to the current conflict.

Though Western civilization largely ignores the contributions of Islamic art, the roots found in its ancient traditions cannot be denied.

Photo courtesy of www.strokes-of-genius.com

Eman Khalid's work is showcased in the Strokes of Genius exhibition tour in England. The tour started in October of 2000, and will culminate a tremendous six years of work and effort.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Former medical director J. Preston Hoyle dies

Photo courtesy of Public Relations

J. Preston Hoyle served as Medical Director at the University. Hoyle passed away March 29.

By Jennifer Jenchura
Senior Writer

Former University medical director J. Preston Hoyle passed away March 29 at age 73 after an extended illness.

Hoyle became a member of the University community as a physician in 1962. After nearly 19 years as an associate physician in the student medical service he became the medical director of the University Student Health Service beginning in 1981. He was instrumental in initiating several campus medical programs such as the AIDS Task Force.

"As a result of this committee, the Pennsylvania Department of Health comes to campus on a regular basis to administer HIV testing. He was also instrumental in creating the Student Health Service Advisory Committee which prompted changes at the Student Health Service, such as the availability for prescription medication to be purchased at the health center and providing courier service for patients' laboratory specimens to Evangelical Community Hospital for analysis," said Nancy Shuck, Health Service assistant director.

Developing the University's first alcohol and drug program, Hoyle strived for better public health education, including treatment of alcohol and drug addiction.

"He was a kind and compassionate man who cared deeply about his family, colleagues, students and patients. He had a pleasant personality and a great sense of humor," said Bob Thomas, coordinator of drug and alcohol programs at the University.

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Norville to speak at Commencement

Emmy award-winning journalist to speak about dealing with the curves in life's path

By Rachel Laskow
Senior Editor

When this year's Commencement speaker was announced on Tuesday, many students were quick to judge the decision and immediately offered negative comments. Once students got past the fact that they had never heard her name and realized that she was a two-time Emmy winner, many decided that Deborah Norville, the anchor of CBS' "Inside Edition," could provide an informative and influential speech.

"I was a bit taken aback when I first found out because most people were not expecting a television host, but I look forward to her insight and words of advice for the Class of 2003 as we start off journeys after Bucknell," Emily Resnick '03 said.

According to Class of 2003 President Laura Day, Norville will speak about how people can deal with emotions during a time of crisis.

"Deborah Norville has demonstrated her perseverance in both the public and private roles as a news anchor for 'Inside Edition,' author of 'Back on Track,' a mother of three and an Emmy winner. She provides inspiration to all who have faced obstacles in reaching their goals, specifically how to get 'back on your feet after a crushing defeat,'" Day said. "I am excited to hear Deborah Norville's compelling message and timely commentary in light of our complicated times."

Norville has hosted "Inside Edition" since 1995 and, according to insideedition.com, ratings for the nation's top-rated syndicated show climbed 15 percent in the first week she was a host.

Before hosting "Inside Edition," Norville anchored CBS' "America Tonight" and reported for "48 Hours," "Street Stories" and the "CBS Evening News." She was also a co-anchor of NBC's "Today Show."

Her book "Back On Track: How To Straighten Out Your Life When It Throws You A Curve" is based on her experiences at NBC's "Today Show." According to dnorville.com, her book offers a plan for renewal and redirection for women everywhere.

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—Laura Day, *senior class president*

As a journalist, Norville has covered events such as the American Airlines jet crash in Cali, Colombia. She also interviewed Paula Jones for the first wide-ranging talk about the lawsuit against former U.S. President Bill Clinton. After Sept. 11, Norville flew with the 177th Fighter Wing of the New Jersey Air National Guard as they

Photo courtesy of Insideedition.com

Deborah Norville will be the 2003 Commencement speaker. Norville, who is the news anchor of 'Inside Edition' and the author of 'Back on Track,' will speak to the graduating class about dealing with emotions in times of crisis.

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Silent protest

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Justin Valls '03 stood motionless on the Academic Quad from 6 a.m. until sundown on April 3, peacefully demonstrating against the war. "I think it's very effective," Ryan McClune '03 said. "I think he accomplished what he wanted to do."

Mauriello '02 wins award for *Bucknellian* Greek series

By Elisabeth Salemme
News Editor

Former *Bucknellian* Sports Editor Carmen Mauriello '02 is the first-place recipient of the collegiate public service/enterprise series category in the Pennsylvania Newspaper Association Foundation's annual Keystone Contest for the six-part series he wrote last spring investigating the University's Greek system.

"Carmen initiated the series of Greek articles. Each article was well-researched and provided a well-balanced insight into the Greek system. Carmen takes a lot of pride in his work and that certainly shows in his consistently excellent articles," former *Bucknellian* Editor-In-Chief Rachel Laskow '03 said.

Mauriello thought the story was newsworthy and interesting.

"There was a lot of questioning about the Greek system's future at Bucknell," Mauriello said. "People thought the administration was trying to close it down, and I thought the spring would be telling for the Greek system."

Originally, Mauriello was given one article assignment about fraternities not being able to fill their houses with enough members.

"In talking to the administration, it seemed a lot was going on, and a bunch of other article ideas came into my head. I wanted to hit as many angles as I could," Mauriello said.

There were four additional issues Mauriello focused on in his subsequent articles. The fraternity member size had changed and Mauriello reported that all fraternities used to be about equal in membership size, but over the years some lost members and some gained more. Mauriello also analyzed the Administration's idea of a bring-your-own-beer trial period.

"House Party was the third issue I focused on. There was a whole new set of rules and I basically analyzed those and judged the success of House Party," Mauriello said.

The last issue Mauriello wrote about was the rush changes for fraternities.

"This was an issue of trying to make it more fair so all fraternities got an equal shot," Mauriello said.

Mauriello said his hope was to inform people about what was going on during all the changes to the Greek system.

"I explored all that was going on and through the series helped more people understand what was going on instead of them listening to rumors. I just stuck to hard news and the changes happening in the system. I tried to get a lot of student feedback, for example, 'Did this make events better or worse?'" Mauriello said.

Mauriello has worked at *The Daily Item* for the past 10 months as a reporter, and he is pursuing journalism as a career.

"This is a really nice honor, and a nice thing to have on my résumé," Mauriello said.

Local paper exaggerates House Party incidents

By Jason Oster
Staff Writer

Following the University tradition of House Party, from March 28-30 this year, a local newspaper published an article about House Party 2003, which was exaggerated, according to Dean of Students Richard Ferraro. While trying to tell a captivating story to its readers, the paper embellished certain happenings that went on several weeks ago.

"There were several things that were wrong with that article," Ferraro said.

The first item that the administration did not agree with is that the article spoke of lots of arrests in Lewisburg during the weekend.

"This House Party there were eight arrests and four of these arrests were non-Bucknell students, but rather guests of students. Also the article gave the impression that the arrests happened downtown, while in reality they happened on Fraternity Row either that Friday or Saturday night."

Another problem with the article is that it gave the illusion of mayhem in the streets and exaggerated effects, which caused the arrests.

"In actuality, the police simply stopped people who were drinking underage or speeding," Ferraro said.

The arrests did not result in sending students to jail. There are three levels of police involvement. The first is a felony, which results in jail time; the second is a misdemeanor, which is somewhat serious and has the possibility of spending time in jail; and the third level is a summary offense, which is simply a citation or a ticket. The students who met with the police during House Party

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—Richard Ferraro, *dean of students*

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Student's adventures in Seville

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New dean for diversity is a mistake

Is our administration following the desire of the student body by hiring a new member of the deanery? Senior writer Tom Elliott explores this question and recommends some areas of focus for the position.

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Concert Review

G. Love and Special Sauce add flavor to Third Eye Blind concert

Audience can't see past Third Eye Blind's Junior High School stigma, but Special Sauce pulls through for their taste.

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Public Safety Log

Sunday, March 30

DISORDERLY CONDUCT—Public Safety witnessed a male being escorted out of Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity by a private security guard. The male was flailing his arms and became argumentative when asked to leave the house. The male was identified as a student and cited for disorderly conduct.

ALCOHOL VIOLATIONS / OPEN CONTAINER / FALSE ID—Public Safety observed R&P security conducting a pedestrian stop for an open container violation near Kappa Delta Rho Fraternity. The male suspect fled on foot and was detained near Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity. East Buffalo Township Police Department responded and identified the male as a non-University student who had false identification. He was cited by East Buffalo Police Department for underage consumption, open container violation and possession of false identification.

PROPERTY DAMAGE—Public Safety responded to Trax Hall for report of a broken window pane. No witnesses or suspects could be located.

INFORMATION—An employee reported to Public Safety that an unknown person(s) had replaced a sign advertising a film in Vaughan Literature with a sign saying the film had been canceled.

INFORMATION—An alumnus was stopped by Public Safety when he was attempting to enter Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium with a backpack containing alcohol. The alcohol was confiscated and the male entered without incident.

VANDALISM—A student reported to Public Safety that an unknown person(s) threw a beer bottle at his living room window, breaking an outer pane of Gateway Kalman-Posner. The incident is under investigation.

THEFT—Two students reported to a Public Safety officer that unknown person(s) removed a Dell laptop computer, nine Sony Playstation II game cartridges and three DVD movies from their unlocked room at Swartz Hall. East Buffalo Police Department was notified. The incident is under investigation.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student contacted Public Safety and requested transportation to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment of a possible hernia. A Student Health Services driver responded and transported the student who later returned to campus.

PROPERTY DAMAGE—Public Safety responded to Vedder Hall for the report of a broken window. No suspects or witnesses could be located.

Tuesday, April 1

INFORMATION/SMALL FIRE—Public Safety responded to Larison Hall for the report of a small fire caused by an electrical cord that contacted a heating tube. A Physical Plant electrician responded.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student requested transportation to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment of a leg injury. A Student Health Services driver transported the individual who later returned to campus

POLICE ASSIST—Pennsylvania State Police requested that a Public Safety officer interview a student who was alleged to be involved in an off-campus incident. The interview was conducted and the report was turned over to Pennsylvania State Police, which will conduct the investigation.

Wednesday, April 2

DISORDERLY CONDUCT—An employee reported to Public Safety that two students were sitting on the roof of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity House. Public Safety located the individuals, informed them of University policy and issued citations.

INFORMATION/VEHICLE DAMAGE—A student reported to Public Safety that his vehicle obtained minor damage at an unknown location one day prior to this report that was filed for insurance purposes.

POSSIBLE ARSON—Public Safety responded to Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity for a fire alarm activation. Upon arrival, it was determined that unknown person(s) had started a fire in a paint can in the basement area which was extinguished by a fraternity member. East Buffalo Police Department was notified and responded to the fraternity. The incident is under investigation.

Thursday, April 3

INFORMATION/NOISE COMPLAINT—Public Safety responded to Trax Hall for the report of disorderly activity originating from the guest suite. University officials were notified and responded to speak to the individuals. No further incidents occurred.

CHECK ON THE WELFARE—Public Safety responded to Harris Hall to check on a student at the request of his parents. A University official also responded and spoke with the student.

Friday, April 4

VEHICLE ACCIDENT—A student reported to Public Safety that his vehicle was damaged while it was parked on Stadium Road. The incident is under investigation.

ACCIDENT/HIT AND RUN—Public Safety responded to the parking lot at the rear of the fieldhouse for the report of a vehicle that sustained damage while parked there. No witnesses or suspects were located. East Buffalo Police Department was notified. The incident is under investigation.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that her parking decal was removed from her vehicle while parked in the Dana parking lot. The incident is under investigation.

POLICE ASSIST—Public Safety responded to the golf course to assist East Buffalo Township Police Department in locating a suspicious male. The individual was turned over to East Buffalo Township Police Department, which was conducting the investigation.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION/PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS—While on foot patrol at the "Third Eye Blind" concert, Public Safety received a report that there was an intoxicated male inside a restroom at the front of the Sojka Pavilion. Further investigation proved the male was a non-University student. East Buffalo Township Police Department responded. Citations for underage consumption and public drunkenness were issued.

Saturday, April 5

HARASSMENT BY COMMUNICATION—A student reported to Public Safety that an unknown person sent her a lewd message on her personal computer in Summit House. East Buffalo Township Police Department was notified. The student later reported the individual responsible for the message was a friend.

VEHICLE ACCIDENT—Public Safety responded to South Seventh Street and St. George Streets for the report of a tractor trailer tipped with its wheels off the roadway. East Buffalo Township Police Department responded. A towing service responded to return the vehicle to its proper condition.

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—An employee reported to Public Safety that he recovered a discharged fire extinguisher lying near the southbound lane of Route 15. The extinguisher belongs to the University and was returned to Physical Plant for recharge and reissue.

INSTITUTIONAL VANDALISM—An alumnus reported to Public Safety that an unknown person(s) uprooted/dislodged a plastic statue from the yard of Newman House and placed it on the roof of her vehicle. The incident is under investigation.

INFORMATION/VEHICLE ACCIDENT—While on routine patrol, Public Safety observed a vehicle that had rolled out of its parking space and struck another car in the Trax parking lot, causing only minor damage. The owners of both vehicles were located and exchanged insurance information.

INFORMATION/SMALL FIRE—Public Safety responded to Edwards House for the report of a small kitchen fire that had been extinguished. Physical Plant responded to clean the area. The stove was not damaged.

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—Public Safety responded to a fire alarm at Phi Gamma Delta caused by unknown person(s) discharging a fire extinguisher. No suspects or witnesses could be located in a search of the building. The incident is under investigation.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION/PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS/ACT 64/DISORDERLY CONDUCT—A resident assistant reported to a Public Safety that there was a very intoxicated male in the bathroom at Smith Hall. Upon arrival, it was determined the male was a student who was extremely intoxicated and uncooperative.

Lewisburg Police Department responded and took the individual into custody. Upon investigation, Lewisburg Police Department located a small amount of marijuana and a pipe on his person. He was cited by both Lewisburg Police Department and the University for underage consumption, disorderly conduct, public drunkenness and possession of drug paraphernalia. He was released in the custody of a University official.

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—Public Safety responded to a fire alarm activation at Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity caused by unknown persons(s) activating a pull station in the basement. No suspects or witnesses could be located in a search of the area. The incident is under investigation.

Thomas-Buchanan hired as new dean for diversity

By Jeff Day
Staff Writer

The University hired Associate Dean of Students Dr. Linda Thomas-Buchanan, whose core responsibilities will be diversity issues when she starts June 1.

According to Vice President for Enrollment Management Kurt Thiede,

> *"She has many fine personal qualities: She is ethically motivated, she is concerned about students and she cares about progress and reconciliation in racial matters."*
> ***—Richard Ferraro,** dean of students*

Thomas-Buchanan will fill a position that has been left vacant for almost two years following former Dean of Students Edward Cowell's departure.

Thomas-Buchanan will be responsible for all issues related to diversity. According to Dean of Students Richard Ferraro, Thomas-Buchanan will also supervise the directors of the Women's Resource Center, the Office of Lesbian, Gay, Transgender and Bisexual Awareness, International Student Services and Multicultural Affairs.

Her duties will also include working with admissions on matters related to recruitment and pertinent summer programs.

"I think she will bring vision, a sense of fairness and a student-centered approach. She is very articulate, she is committed to intellectual inquiry… she is calm in her approach but passionate about justice and she will challenge our students to do their best, while lending active support," Ferraro said.

According to Thiede, Buchanan was one of 80 applicants that were interested in the position. The four most qualified candidates were invited to the University, yet the bid to offer Thomas-Buchanan the position was a unanimous decision by the committee.

"Her understanding of being both an administrator as well as a faculty member was very attractive," Thiede said.

The committee that selected Thomas-Buchanan was composed of two student representatives, one faculty member and four staff representatives.

"It was a good committee that worked hard," Thiede said.

Interim Director of Multicultural Affairs Danielle Smith also emphasized Thomas-Buchanan's excellence.

"Dr. Thomas-Buchanan has had an array of administrative as well as faculty experience revolving around multicultural issues in the higher education setting. Her interest in, as well as experience with, predominately white institutions definitely separated her from the other candidates," Smith said.

According to Ferraro, Buchanan's experience in directing a black cultural center and with regard to assessment of multicultural centers, gives her a background which can be very helpful here.

"She has many fine personal qualities: She is ethically motivated, she is concerned about students and she cares about progress and reconciliation in racial matters," Ferraro said.

Thomas-Buchanan received her M.A. and Ph.D. in both sociology and higher education administration from Washington State. Her focus centered on the educational experiences of black students at a predominately white institution.

"Buchanan will provide the leadership and momentum required to make positive change on our campus. Her background and experience in relation to diversity issues will definitely be beneficial to Bucknell," Smith said.

According to Thiede, to accomplish the goals of the current diversity plan as well as those of Vision 2010, it became very evident that this position [dean of diversity] needed to be filled.

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> ***—Danielle Smith,** interim director of multicultural affairs*

The University community is excited to welcome Thomas-Buchanan and anticipates a promising future in achieving the University's and students' goals toward diversity.

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Local paper criticizes students

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weekend were given citations, which usually involves a fine.

During House Party there was an increased number of Lewisburg area police officers patrolling the campus, and police from neighboring towns were on call.

"Many people assume that Bucknell University is extraterritoriality, like its own country, where outside police cannot come on, but the police do have that right," Ferraro said. "And when they come on campus and see someone underage drinking, they have the right to cite that individual."

Usually when there are alcohol violations, whether underage consumption or increased usage, the University handles these matters internally.

"With House Party, there are hundreds of guests from all over the country and in the past there have been guests who cause problems. However, when these guests are at Bucknell, it is still our job to look out for their safety. During House Party there are more police around anyway," Ferraro said.

This year there was stronger enforcement of the rules, according to Ferraro. He feels that it was a decent House Party. Many members of the administration don't get much sleep during the celebratory weekend due to the liability issues about which the deans have to worry.

"For what it was, I think House Party went will," Assistant Director of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs Shauna Irwin said. "Major incidents were down this year. The school did all it could do to foster a safe environment for House Party."

The University is committed to making sure that House Party continues to run smoothly. In the upcoming weeks, Ferraro plans to talk to many people in the University community for different viewpoints about House Party, how it is run and what should be changed in the future.

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> ***—Richard Ferraro,** dean of students*

"It's important to talk to different people because everyone has a different point of view of House Party. House Party is unusual and it is something that many schools have done away with and we have tended to try and keep it. We continue to work hard to make it fun and safe," Ferraro said.

Ferraro plans to gather opinions from people in all facets of University life, including deans, people in the athletics department and students.

"It is important to talk to the students because this is all for them," Ferraro said.

This year only one student was brought into the hospital and that was for precautionary reasons.

"Several years ago we had more people brought into the hospital, but I believe people are more cognizant about helping," Ferraro said. "People also receive benefits of helping their friends under the influence through the partial amnesty plan."

Partial amnesty is an idea that was invented under the alcohol violations point system. If someone drinks too much, he or she would normally receive four points if caught. If the intoxicated person receives help from a friend, he or she will only receive one point if caught. The partial amnesty rule is only granted once to an individual to prevent people from engaging in destructive behavior.

Ferraro has found that people make better judgments as a result of the partial amnesty plan, which are more likely to come into play during times of heavy drinking. House Party has already been scheduled for next year and the administration hopes to have a successful House Party without arrests or hospitalization.

Hoyle, 73, dies after long battle with illness

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Since his arrival in Lewisburg, Hoyle was a leader in the community. He served as medical consultant to the Union County Prison, deputy coroner and school physician for Lewisburg elementary schools.

Throughout his life, Hoyle had a special fondness for the care of children and young adults. He volunteered his services as a physician for the county's Well Baby Clinic and Head Start Program. He was also a member of the board trustees of Evangelical Hospital, a delegate to the Pennsylvania Medical Society, a deacon and trustee to the First Presbyterian Church of Lewisburg and a board member of the Lewisburg Listening Post.

After working for the National Institutes for Health, Hoyle attended the University of Pittsburgh and received his degree as a medical doctor in 1957. After medical school he gave spent years of service in the U.S. Army as a captain in the medical corps. Hoyle moved his family to Lewisburg in 1962 to begin his private practice of obstetric and pediatric medicine as well as to serve the University's student medical service.

Hoyle leaves behind his wife of 51 years, June, and three children, including Bucknell alumnus Susan Hoyle-Fournier '88.

"Having dry wit and always displaying a smile, Dr. Hoyle was dedicated to his profession and to mankind. He was a pleasure to work for," Secretary to Health Service Diane Walter said.

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Rooke Chemistry 116
4 p.m.

Hilltop Film Series: "The Swindle"
Vaughan Lit. Auditorium
4:30 & 8 p.m.

Shabbat Service and Dinner
Berelson Center
5:30 p.m.

Shuttles: Walmart & Susquehanna Valley Mall
6 p.m.

Track & Field Meet
Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium
7 p.m.

Bingo
Bostwick Cafeteria
9 p.m.

Juilliard String Quartet
Weis Center Auditorium
8 p.m.

David Keller, Rule of Three & The And Band
Uptown
9:30 p.m.

Late Night Music: John Fahres
7th Street Café
11 p.m.

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Track & Field Meet
Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium
All Day

Women's Water Polo Southern Championships
Kinney Natatorium
All Day

Photographs from the Permanent Collection
Samek Art Gallery
Through April 13

Poetry Slam
7th Street Café
9 a.m.

Shuttles: Walmart & Susquehanna Valley Mall
3 & 6 p.m.

Holi Festival
Center Room (LC 256)
6 p.m.

Voices of Praise Spring Concert
Rooke Chapel
7:30 p.m.

Bucknell Orchestra Concert
Weis Center Auditorium
8 p.m.

Pool Contest
Uptown
9:30 p.m.

April 13 SUN

Women's Water Polo Southern Championships
Kinney Natatorium
All Day

Quaker Services
Willard Smith Library
9:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Interdenominational Worship Service
Rooke Chapel
11 a.m.

Episcopal Eucharist Service
Rooke Meditation Chapel
Noon

Family Funfest
Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium
2 p.m.

Senior Recital: Lindsay Krin (soprano) & David Cover (piano)
Weis Music Building Recital Hall
2:30 p.m.

Catholic Mass
Rooke Chapel
4 p.m.

Poetry Reading: Cynthia Hogue, Ron Mohring & Michael Carlin
Bucknell Hall
8 p.m.

Sunday Night Prayer
LC 302
9 p.m.

Catholic Mass
Larison Dining Hall
10 p.m.

April 14 MON

Qigong Classes
Vedder Living Room
Noon

Chao Student Lunch
Buttery Room (LC 241B)
Noon

Political Science Candidate
Buttery Room (LC 241C)
Noon

Men's Tennis vs. Lehigh
Tennis Courts
3 p.m.

Zen Meditation
Rooke Meditation Chapel
4 p.m.

"The Good Woman of Setzuan"
Harvey Powers Theatre
April 11-14
8 p.m.

Yoga Class
McDonnell Hall 242
4:45 p.m.

Women & Gender Film Series: "Womb War"
Gallery Theatre
7:30 p.m.

April 15 TUE

Men's & Women's Tennis vs. Bloomsburg
Tennis Courts
4 p.m.

Internships 101
Every Tuesday (Noon) and Wednesday (3:30 p.m.)
CDC

Tai Chi
McDonnell Hall 241
5 p.m.

Bucknell Brigade Presentation
Gardner Lecture Hall (Dana 132)
7 p.m.

Russian Documentary Filmmaker
Vaughan Lit. Auditorium
7 p.m.

Lecture: Claire Rubin "Major Terrorist Events & Their Outcomes (1988-2001)"
Willard Smith Library
7:30 p.m.

LGBT Film Series
Gallery Theatre
7:30 p.m.

Turkish Coffee Night
Taylor Hall Lounge
8 p.m.

April 16 WED

Qigong Classes
Arches Lounge (LC 304)
8 a.m.

Baseball vs. Duquesne
Bucknell West Fields
1 p.m.

Softball vs. George Washington
Bucknell West Fields
3 p.m.

Women's Lacrosse vs. LaSalle
Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium
4 p.m.

Middle East Simulation
Larison Dining Hall
5 p.m.

Passover Seder
Walls Board Room (LC 213)
6 p.m.

Lifeguard Recertification Class
Kinney Natatorium
7 p.m.

Senior Recital: Sara Mastrony
Weis Music Building Recital Hall
7:30 p.m.

Men's Lacrosse vs. Penn State
Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium
7:30 p.m.

April 17 THU

Third World Film Series: "Pather Panchali"
Coleman 151
4 & 7 p.m.

Lecture: Greg Berger "Environmental Filmmaking"
Coleman 221
5 p.m.

Passover Seder
Walls Board Room (LC 213)
6 p.m.

Lecture: Professor Dorias "Ethnic Relations in Canada"
Gallery Theatre
7:30 p.m.

Maundy Thursday Service
Rooke Meditation Chapel
7:30 p.m.

Merck Lecture Series
Rooke Chemistry 116
7:30 p.m.

Catholic Mass
Rooke Chapel
8 p.m.

"the well"
Larison Dining Hall
8:30 p.m.

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The Bucknellian Editorial

Commencement speakers do not reflect University intellectual pursuits

The announcement that CBS' "Inside Edition" news anchor Deborah Norville will deliver the 2003 Commencement address on Tuesday generated a negative response from much of the campus community. Many students and faculty members contend that Norville does not reflect the academic and intellectual nature of the University or the Commencement ceremony.

Former University President William D. "Bro" Adams established a Commencement speaker selection committee during his tenure at the University. The committee decided that future Commencement speakers should exhibit the characteristics of the University's highest honor, the Bucknell Award of Merit. The Award of Merit is presented to an individual who has distinguished him or herself internationally in the arts, sciences, letters or public service.

This resolution began in 1998 with the Commencement address delivered by Julian Bond, chairman of the NAACP, and continued through Adams' term as president with Aung San Suu Kyi, a leader of the democratic opposition in Burma in 1999 and Irish poet Eavan Boland in 2000.

Since the inauguration of University President Steffen Rogers in the fall of 2000, Adams' precedent of selecting a speaker deserving of the Award of Merit appears to have been lost.

Recent "disappointing" Commencement speakers include senior analyst for CNN's "Inside Politics" Jeff Greenfield in 2001 and entrepreneur and philanthropist Kenneth Langone '57 in 2002.

These speakers were not necessarily disappointing in their ability to communicate a message to the graduating class, but they certainly do not reflect the academic nature of the University, or the requisites of a recipient of the Award of Merit.

The University has the ability to entice speakers more comparable to those of the Adams era—this academic year alone has witnessed great intellectuals like Nobel Prize winner Toni Morrison and philosopher Stanley Cavell. So why are we unable to acquire such speakers for the Commencement address?

The Commencement committee must actively search for an appropriate speaker in the same way that a distinguished scholar such as Morrison was acquired as the Janet Weis Fellow in Contemporary Letters. The same process that was used in securing Morrison should be employed in securing a Commencement speaker.

Acquiring a speaker that will adequately represent the intellectual pursuits of the University is also a full-time public relations task that cannot fall largely on the shoulders of senior class representatives. The senior class should be actively engaged in the selection of their speaker—providing suggestions of whom the class wants and making the final decision of whom it will be is the responsibility of the class—but securing and contracting the speakers should be the responsibility of the faculty members, administrators and public relations representatives on the committee.

The displeasure of faculty and students alike indicates that the campus is in agreement on the type of speaker it *wishes* to have address the graduating class, and the University has shown that it is able to *acquire* such a speaker for other occasions during the academic year. Hopefully, the Class of 2004 Commencement committee will be cognizant of the need to utilize the abilities of the University to acquire the type of speaker for which the campus wishes.

Letters *to the editor*

Quoted out of context

To the Editor:

Until this spring, I had never been quoted in a printed publication, so it was with a certain naiveté that I answered questions from Martin Wade '06, of the Bucknell University Conservatives Club, at one of the peace vigils in mid-March. Two quotations were later printed in the March 27 issue of The Counterweight that not only misrepresented my ideas, but portrayed a negative image of the current peace movement.

My letter is not written to defame The Counterweight, but to tell readers that they should always take quotations with a grain of salt. In my case, the quotation printed was an answer to Mr. Wade's question, "Why is Bush pushing us to war?" I responded by naming several reasons, but was quoted as having said, "One reason ... Iraq has an extreme amount of oil under its surface." That, to me, is one reason, but certainly not the only one, and by employing the "...."—or quote and dot technique—there were minutes of dialogue overlooked. This caused my ideas to be misrepresented and oversimplified.

My letter is not written to defame The Counterweight, but to tell the reader that they should always take quotes with a grain of salt.

To conclude, regardless of whom your interviewer is, be it *New York Times* columnist Maureen Dowd or Wade, the lesson that I have learned is that your voice is at the mercy of the writer, and will be distorted at their will. And to the reader, never believe 100 percent of what you read.

Sincerely,

Kevin C. Brown '06

Light the Night Walk a success

To the Editor:

I would like to thank the Bucknell community for its support of the Light the Night Walk on April 1. Despite the rain and cold, we had 354 participants and raised $7,000. The money raised will go to research to find cures for leukemia, lymphoma, myeloma and Hodgkin's Disease.

I would also like to thank the committee for doing an amazing job in planning the event: Stefanie Anderson '06, Angie Casey '05, Kristi Cashman '06, Susan Damaschke '06, Christine Hebling '05, Hannah Kaczka '06, Mike Kaminski, Christine Kim '05, Bryan Kitch '05, Kaitlin McGirl '05, Rebecca Schofield '05, Tricia Scripko '05, Emily Yoder '06 and our adviser Assistant Dean of Students Amy Badal.

Thank you to our donators: SERV for ensuring the safety of all participants, and Two Past Midnight for their outstanding performance at the walk.

Sincerely,

Erin Zsolcsak '03
Light the Night
Committee Chairwoman

Write a letter to the editor.

Be funny
Be relevant
Be heard

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Feminism responds to opposition

To the Editor:

Aaron Hanlon's mere reiteration of the line of reactionary "feminism" (March 28) surprises me little. Hanlon, in conservative, anti-feminist tradition, confuses a call for political agenda with dogma. While I agree that coaltioning is essential for effective political change, this certainly does not negate the need for a feminist leadership, and a movement, with a clear political agenda and strategy.

How would coalitioning with anti-choice forces, anti-affirmative action proponents or self-proclaimed misogynists advance the cause of women?

Effective coalitioning doesn't mean the acceptance of just any political agenda. His suggestion that the feminist movement ally itself with those who work in opposition to feminist goals requires explanation. How would coalitioning with anti-choice forces, anti-affirmative action proponents or self-proclaimed misogynists advance the cause of women? From what political analysis, and in whose interest, does Hanlon make his assertions?

In the recitation of conservative "feminism," once again being a woman is confused with being a feminist. Not all of a woman's actions or beliefs necessarily correspond with feminist goals simply because she is a woman. Far from calling for a "loose" definition of feminism, I advocate political action based on objective and concrete definitions of the relationship of forces and the development of strategies therefrom. It boils down to quality versus quantity. Hanlon, along with other conservative "feminists," suggest that we abandon political analysis, agenda and strategy in favor of making "feminism" attractive to large numbers of people. What he, and they, either miss or deliberately ignore is that an effective political movement depends on common analysis, agenda and strategy which serve its cause and not the cause of its opponents.

The success of any political movement depends less on how the opposition responds than how the movement responds to its opposition. No matter how attractive, the current response of "anything goes 'feminism'" can only benefit those who are averse to ending the oppression of women.

Sincerely

Laura Kamienski
CardioKicks! Fitness Kickboxing Instructor

Iraq war coverage in need of more balance

To the Editor:

Every Friday I pick up the first copy of *The Bucknellian* that I see, and I read it almost cover to cover on the first chance I get. While it hardly serves to ward off the common Bucknell "bubble" syndrome, I enjoy exposing myself to peer viewpoints on contemporary and pertinent issues both around the world and on this campus.

This past week, I was very disappointed in the lack of diversity reported by *The Bucknellian* regarding the war in Iraq. The survey results on the campus feelings about the war were very telling, revealing that 48 percent of the campus supports the war while only 31 percent is against it. The quotations and articles that followed on the next few pages certainly did not reveal that sentiment. Rather, the paper served to illustrate the fact that the opponents of the war, while in the minority, are very vocal in their criticism, and conversely the supporters seem to be rather hesitant in sharing their opinion, even though they clearly reflect a majority. I would encourage this majority to become informed on the issues and be more vocal in their opinions, and I hope that in the future, *The Bucknellian* will more accurately reflect the true sentiments of the campus.

I am also disappointed in the amount of space that the paper devoted to comparing the current military action in Iraq to the war in Vietnam. Operation Iraqi Freedom is very different from the war in Vietnam in many ways, an important one being that there are clear and defined objectives for being in Iraq. I am very disappointed that *The Bucknellian* would spend so much time creating an inappropriate association that may foment even more discontent over the current war by comparing it to an essentially different military action in the past where neither the government nor our troops were supported or respected by the majority of the nation.

Operation Iraqi Freedom is very different from the war in Vietnam in many ways, an important one being that there are clear and defined objectives for being in Iraq.

The Vietnam era is a time that this nation, and certainly a family like Bucknell, does not want to repeat. *The Buckenllian* would do better to be more supportive of American troops who are fighting for our freedom rather than insinuating that this campus should be treat them and this war in the same way that the Vietnam war was treated just a few decades ago.

Sincerely,

Charissa Reimer '05

Daily Item article contradicts historical facts

To the Editor:

I want to respond to claims made by Maggie Gallagher, one of the *Daily Item*'s regularly syndicated columnists. In her op-ed piece, "Finishing a job left undone in '91,'" (March 3), she argued that the United States let go of a chance to topple Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's regime because the United Nations prevented former President George Bush from doing so. It is inaccurate to blame the United Nations for Bush Senior's decision. Rather than providing an honest account of why former President Bush did not try to destroy Hussein's regime, Gallagher wants to demonize the United Nations and all that it stands for.

Following the first Gulf War (Operation Desert Storm), the U.N. Security Council passed Resolution 678, which authorized U.S.-led coalition forces in the region to "restore international peace and security in the area." This resolution did not prevent Bush from finishing the job. Both former President Bush and former British Prime Minister John Major, our ally, argued that Hussein should be defeated by the Iraqi people and not foreign armies.

Gallagher's column is really an endorsement of the current Bush administration's new approach to international relations—preventative war, which is really a euphemism for U.S. imperialism. This imperialism is fueling anti-American hostilities abroad. In the short run, this anger will make it hard to win the support the United States needs to fight al-Qaida cells now growing in some 60 countries around the world. In the long run, the United States and all that it stands for, including liberty, democracy and justice, will be denounced.

As mere propaganda of a nation bent on ruling the world. No matter how mighty the U.S. military may be, it is extremely naive to think that it alone can rebuild Iraq, fight terrorism and spread democracy throughout the world.

Now is the time for President George W. Bush to repair our relations with the United Nations and other countries and to restore the image of the United States.

As a fair and generous nation (and not just a bullying and arrogant one!).

Sincerely,

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Opinions

New dean for diversity is a mistake

By Tom Elliott
Senior Writer

Should collegiate administrations aim to have the will of their student bodies reflected in the course they set for their universities? It's safe to assume students think so. Admissions departments, seeking to lure and retain many, qualified applicants, would assumedly also adopt this opinion. Trustees, who presumably share the same objectives as the admissions department, similarly seek a student-directed path. So why then does our administration so often ignore the opinions of the student body for the sake of a faculty/administrative agenda that's altogether uninteresting to the students?

Such is the case with the latest increase in size and influence of our administrative bureaucracy through the hiring of a new dean. Yes, the collective will of the students has finally been answered; we once again have a dean specifically charged with spending funds and creative new programs to advance the simplistic agenda of diversity and multiculturalism. The position was created in the mid-1990s, but became defunct in 2001, when its occupier left to pursue other interests.

What I intend to argue is not that diversity and multiculturalism are unworthy of University offices, funds, programs, courses, etc., but rather that this specific orthodoxy is not of such high merit that it warrants a dean with the explicit duty of expanding these programs. For the students this position is intended to benefit: It never seemed during this program's two-year hiatus that students were lacking in diversity-related opportunities and/or stridently calling for the rehiring of such an administrator. Our school would be better off if this position had remained in oblivion.

He reiterated the glories that multiculturalists often allege to be pursuing, while ignoring this school of thought's true nature.

Vice President for Student Affairs Charles Pollock '70, informing me why the administration felt this was an important hiring, said, "Much research, including studies reported by the Business-Higher Education Forum, notes that learning is improved by a diverse learning environment—students' critical thinking, social development, creativity and problem-solving skills are all enhanced by exposure to people with varied backgrounds and ideas. If a college fails to provide a diverse learning environment, it fails to serve students in a very important way. It might as well forgo having a history department, or deny students access to computers."

In this statement, Pollock did a tremendous job explaining the nature of multiculturalism: He reiterated the glories that multiculturalists often allege to be pursuing, while ignoring this school of thought's true nature. Also, while becoming awash in its potential greatness, he improperly spoke of multiculturalism to be of the same degree of magnitude as solid fundamentals like history and access to modern technology. Higher learning has come to view the celebration of differences in people, which rightly exists under the rubric of political correctness, of such extraordinary utility, that schools direct an astonishingly large portion of their budgets toward such curriculums.

Only once the true problems with multiculturalism are unearthed do these practices become less enviable. It is, problematically, quite an intellectually lazy discipline. Simply visiting our Multicultural Affairs Web site will quickly enable you to learn exactly which people are thought to contribute to the idea of diversity. Certainly not white people—that is, unless, they have an "alternative lifestyle." Every hallmark of Western civilization is acutely ignored by multiculturalists. While Pollock said part of this motivation stemmed from a thirst for a diversity of ideas, multiculturalism's actual pointed exclusion of particular ideas, such as Western civilization ideas and values, was made decidedly clear when the Conservatives Club was denied a seat on the Multicultural Council of Presidents—apparently the only club espousing Western civilization ideas was deemed unworthy for recognition under the "inclusive" umbrella of diversity. I could request that because this dean has been hired we should also be afforded a dean specifically charged with implementing "American culture" and Western civilization offerings, but realize that that is an untenable dream as well as further unnecessary bloating of our administrative bureaucracy.

So rather than focus this argument from a neglected ideological perspective position, I'd rather point out to our new dean what his field of interest could be, rather than what it is. (I've reviewed the administration's position description and it does not include any of my forthcoming objectives. It predictably takes the same tiresome diversity line, with things like, "Serve as a facilitator for resolution when principles of inclusive living and mutual tolerance are violated and threatened.")

While the disciples of diversity are content with merely telling people that other people are great because they are different, much more can and should be taking place along this academic avenue. There are in fact some serious issues of diversity worthy of researching with some very serious scholarship. Multicultural academics should not suffice with proclaiming that all cultures, ethnicities, races, sexualities and every other such thing under the sun are all equal. They should instead intensely focus on issues that directly affect us and are rooted in societal differences.

Take the Middle East, for instance. While American college campuses were so enraptured in their celebration of an Arabic culture that so vastly differed from our own, terrorists were plotting to kill as many of us as possible. While the Taliban may have been one of the better institutions of fulfilling a society prescribed by the Quran, it was also quite the suitable breeding ground for anti-Western terrorism. Societies that grant no protections for democracy, tolerance and civil liberties will invariably encounter the occasional warlord uprising or societal collapse. Most governments have not yet allowed women to enter the 20th century, let alone the 21st. Why not ask how an Islamic society can exist without these problems? How can the Middle East exist in the current arrangement, which demands the coalescing of divergent national interests, such as Israel? We need to study not just what some of these societies do right, but what they do wrong—to accept all as unequivocally equal with our own is a monumental fraud and hardly helpful to further exploring issues of multiculturalism.

Again, why not abandon the doctrine of ubiquitous parity for a second, and take a look at how different cultures utilize their militaries. Ours is a volunteer force, bound together with shared values and built upon lengthy traditions. Every imaginable race wears our uniform, but on the battlefield, a sense of loyalty, teamwork and cohesion propels them to look after and save one another from danger. Diversity is often rescued through American militaristic endeavors—saving Jews from Nazism, Muslims from Milosevic, the religious from communism and, now, the Kurds, Shiites and others from the Ba'athe party. A would-be suicide bomber surrendered this week in Iraq, saying a member of the Fedayeen told him that either they would kill him, the Brits would kill him or he could die honorably as a suicide bomber. Their military arises from a conscript "kill them or we'll kill you" practice, and is utilized for conquest, oppression and the protection of tyrannical power. Our military is an institution that's appreciated when their services become necessary; whereas often the case elsewhere, the military defines the society.

While I wonder whether this new dean will ever seek to explore these diversity-related issues with serious intent, I'm still troubled that I'm pondering such a query. If this hiring had come in response to the interests of students, that'd be fine—but it didn't. The administration seemed to know that the vast majority of students viewed the "living wage" campaign unfavorably, so they put it towards an electoral referendum, where the campaign was seemingly put to rest after a sound defeat. If the administration was truly working in the interests of the students, it would do the same with this position. In this time of a strained University budget, resources should be dispersed as meticulously as possible, never allocating tens of thousands on something that is wildly unpopular. I contend that this position is unnecessary, unpopular and a waste of our limited funds. Now, does our administration have the gall to try and prove me wrong?

The sweet omelet of democracy

By Josh Fisher
Opinions Editor

We should be proud, as Americans, that our president has had the undying courage to stand up to the world, amid millions of protesters worldwide, to do the humanitarian thing: bomb Iraq. But, please, stick to the correct terminology—we're "liberating" Iraq.

And now our servicemen and -women, our fellow American brothers and sisters, are fighting for our liberties as Americans—free speech, the right to bear arms, things that make Americans better than the rest of the world. Even if you are an unwashed peacenik hippie, the military is fighting bullet for bullet, limb for limb with the Iraqis to preserve the freedoms that make this the greatest democracy money can buy. And as Americans, since Operation Iraqi Freedom (as opposed to the war "on" Iraq) is now underway, it is our duty to avoid bringing up the following things:

Why do we declare that we are fighting to liberate Iraq from the oppressive regime of President Saddam Hussein when we have presently and historically shown that we have no interest in promoting human rights throughout the world? The dictatorial regime of Augusto Pinochet, the Vietnam War, Guatemala, Laos, Cambodia and the Iran-Contra Affair—though they may seem like perfectly good examples of events in which millions of humans died in the name of the anti-communist ideology, as opposed to human rights or humanitarianism, our nation is at war, so you should support your president!

We should also not bring up the fact that the United States armed Hussein and the Iraqi military in the 1980s to fight Iran, when it served the U.S. government's geopolitical and economic interests to do so. Such a comment would be incredibly inappropriate at this time. America is fighting to liberate the Iraqi nation from Hussein's dictatorship and to install of an American dictatorship. The bombs and bullets are flying, Operation Iraqi Liberation is already under way, so there's no point in bringing that up—it's not like we could learn from our mistakes or something. If we really care about our men and women in uniform, we must show it by pledging unquestioned support to the man who is putting them in harm's way.

And while we're at it, here are a few more things we wouldn't do well to bring up: the inevitability of heightened hatred of the United States; increased levels of terrorism worldwide; political destabilization of the Middle East; the stranglehold on news coverage by elite, sensationalist media agencies; other alternatives to lobbing cruise missiles at people from 600 miles away; the Constitution. I mean, seriously, folks. Fox News is America's most popular and most highly-rated news show, and if we can't trust them, who can we trust? I say, they haven't brought these things up, so how important could they be? I trust these guys with my nightly news!

But man, I can't wait for the sequel to Operation Iraqi Freedom, it's going to be killer—Operation Philippine Freedom, Operation Afghan Freedom III, Operation Azerbaijani Freedom, Operation Colombian Freedom, Operation Eritrean Freedom, Operation Rwandan Freedom, Operation Turkish Freedom and Operation Uzbekistani Freedom. And the surprise twist, 1 hear, is that these dictatorships in the Coalition of the Willing that practice torture of dissidents find that they've been targeted by *Rule-the-World Productions* as well (*you don't support torture, do you?*). *All I can say is that it's too bad Operation American Freedom flopped, I thought that was going to be a good one.*

And what's all this about stolen civil liberties? I mean, c'mon guys. Take one for the team. It's not like you ever really used your privacy, and if you were, you're probably a plotting terrorist anyways. I mean, I don't mind the protesting, just as long as, you know, I don't have to see it—they should do it, like, in their own homes or something, somewhere out of my way. It's annoying seeing these people not supporting the troops, saying that there are better methods of deposing Hussein than sacrificing American lives. How would that make you feel if you were on the front line being shot at and someone told you that you didn't have to? I wish the Patriot Act I or II or the Department of Homeland Security would do something to shut these people up....

And in any case, there are perfectly good counterarguments to the ridiculous criticisms of our nation's actions. 1. C'mon. 2. War is a fact of life. 3. Don't spout your anti-American sentiments here! As The Counterweight said, we're dealing with "the mass-murdering, palace-dwelling kleptocracy that has sustained itself at the direct expense of its people." (I know. It's hard to tell out of context, but they are talking about Hussein, not the Bush administration). Gotta love Republicans, always hatching some hairbrained scheme.

"Dissent is a crucial part of political discourse in a free country," The Counterweight claims. "Anyone who wants to has every right to march around campus with his 'Bush is the real terrorist' placard. But the bottom line is that no one should."

And what's the deal with all this rhetoric I keep hearing about innocent people's lives coming to a premature and brutal end? Please. That's not even close to true. Those stupid peacenik hippies are so detached from the reality of war. I mean, really guys. C'mon. War is a fact of life. Don't spout your anti-American sentiments here!

I mean, it's like the old saying goes—you have to break a few eggs in order to make an omelet. Right? So if you have to liberate a few thousand civilian eggs from their shells in order to make the sweet omelet of democracy, then so be it. To not do so would be un-American.

Anti-war sentiment ignores history's lessons

By Chad Flood
Writer

As a member of the University community who thinks he is at least slightly educated regarding the current situation in Iraq, I have found it very hard to sit by without expressing some sort of opinion about where I stand on the current conflict. While I am no proponent war, I do support the U.S. administration in initiating military action in Iraq. The amount of vocal opposition to the war, from Hollywood stars to high school students around the nation, shocks and disappoints me.

It seems that the recurring argument against the war follows one of two paths: Either the opposition dislikes the United States' current administration, or it is against war in general, regardless of the situation.

Considering the first group, I find it very difficult to accept that people are so factually ignorant that they attack our leaders solely based on political party or agenda. For 12 years, the United States, and the rest of the world, has tried unsuccessfully to take nonviolent measures in order to maintain security within our country and abroad. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has not complied to any acceptable degree with the sanctions and requests presented to him by the United Nations, and to say that this war was a hasty act of a vengeful president simply disregards the truth leading up to the day of action.

In response to those who oppose all war, I can respect and even accept such ideals. In a perfect world in which verbal negotiations always worked and even the most volatile of leaders acknowledged and accepted the concerns of other nations, war would be an unnecessary act. There is no way to deny that war is a terrible state in which to live. We live in a time when individuals are willing to die in return for committing acts of mass destruction and terror—we all lived through that on Sept. 11, 2001. Little can be done to combat those who do not fear death. It is because of this fact that I feel military action is warranted when the lives of Americans and others around the globe are threatened because of the suicidal, animalistic and uncaring attitudes that those responsible for such acts of terror and violence hold.

I hold no personal stock in the current conflict. With the exception of a handful of friends and family members of those I know, I have no personal connection with anyone currently serving our country in Iraq. I take solace in knowing that the initial goals of the Bush administration in dealing with the conflict in the only way necessary at this point in time have been met: civilian casualties have been minimal, our troops have been equipped with the safest and most advanced tools and technology and, so far, no one has been left behind. The rescue of rescued U.S. POW Pfc. Jessica Lynch supported my beliefs.

In any conflict, there will be opposition to the ideas held by our government, but you must consider past history before building a solid opposition on its acts. The thousands of young people killed in Vietnam can be attributed, at least on an emotional level, to the utter lack of support our troops received from many groups in America. Soldiers returned to jeering protesters, many of whom probably had no idea of the atrocities occurring under the Vietnamese government prior to our involvement. Adolf Hitler's homicidal tendencies rose to the point of reshaping an entire ethnicity of people, and probably could have been avoided had it not been for the world's most powerful force getting involved a little too late.

The military action taken in Afghanistan after Sept. 11 was, for the most part, supported, because it was in response to a despicable, cowardly act that affected so many innocent lives within our nation. Our leaders believe that Hussein has the capability of incurring similar damages in our country and abroad, and therefore decided to act in the only way that would guarantee the safety of the human race. In all honesty, they know more than any of us could ever hope to, and I trust their judgment.

Personally, I am not willing to wait until a similar incident occurs at the hands of Iraq's capricious dictator before I give my support to an administration that has kept my, and your, best interests as its No. 1 priority.

U.S. rebuilding of post-war Iraq off to a disturbing start

By Michael Niebauer
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It is good to have friends in high places. In January, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld picked a friend and fellow corporate leader, Jay Monogomery Garner, "on leave" from L-3 Communications, to take the new position at the Iraq Office of Reconstruction and Humanitarian Assistance. The name of this organization alone is a bureaucrat's dream, or just intimidating enough to keep people from asking what their policies really are. This means that Garner will be the man in charge of all things of economic and political importance after the hostilities end in Iraq. According to the *Guardian* newspaper, Garner's former company recently won a $1.3 billion contract to provide "logistical projects" to U.S. special operations forces. Garner is currently president of SY Technology, which makes missiles systems. Since Garner's expertise and weapons systems were instrumental in the "shock and awe" bombing and targeting operations against Iraq, it is ironic that he will be in charge of the rebuilding of much of what he helped to destroy ... I mean liberate! Garner's qualifications in reconstruction and humanitarian assistance are a mystery to many. Perhaps Rumsfeld can answer the "how and why" of this appointment at his next news conference, but don't bet on anyone asking the question. War is a great time for irony as the post-war gravy train gathers momentum and just keeps giving to friends and campaign contributors alike.

According to Molly Ivins, a syndicated columnist, the U.S. Agency for International Development has invited four groups to bid on a $900 million engineering contract in post-war Iraq. This is not an open bid. The group is bidding as a team, supposedly to facilitate speed and efficiency in the reconstruction effort; or is it to avoid attention and appropriate public scrutiny during a real-time televised war? The bidding group includes Bechtel, Kellogg Brown and Root, a Halliburton subsidiary and U.S. Vice President Dick Cheney's old company and Fluor Corporation working in unison. According to *The Wall Street Journal* and Ivins, "These companies combined to give political contributions totaling 2.8 million between 1999 and 2002, two-thirds going to the Republicans. Bechtel proudly accounts for 1.3 million of these contributions alone. These are lucrative returns on their minimal investments in government indeed when one considers what contracts are to come."

Ivins said, "Mr. Garner's Office of Reconstruction and Humanitarian assistance has plans to get Iraqi children in school and distribute school supplies with a $100 million dollar contract. The plan includes five pilot programs for 'accelerated learning' that will become Iraq's national education program within a year." We have not fully funded the president's over-hyped national domestic education program, "No Child Left Behind," yet. Perhaps, this grand scheme will be called "No Iraqi Child Left Behind." Let's hope they have better luck getting fully funded than educators in public schools in the United States. Ivins said, rightly questioning this optimistic plan, "I hate to rain on the administrations parade, but we're not even out of Afghanistan after more than a year, and that is a much smaller job. In fact we don't seem to have much control of Afghanistan beyond Kabul." Ironically, Iran is putting more funds into Afghanistan this year than the United States and the opium production is back to pre-Taliban levels, according to the CIA Factbook. Nation-building is not for the militarily or politically distracted or the financially and recession-wracked superpower we are at the moment. Optimistic plans lack credibility at this time, except for corporate contributors to the cause of gaining post-war reconstruction market share in Iraq.

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The worry is that the United States will lose patience with Iraq's reconstruction needs after a few months or years, not unlike Afghanistan. Our troops still personally guard Afghan president Hamid Karsai from armed dissidents in the streets of Kabul. Iraq is much larger with 23 million people to feed, clothe and provide for as the United States undertakes a total restructuring of an occupied country. With the whole world watching and waiting (many countries are hoping we fail), ironically, the United States will be asking for U.N. help sooner or later. Will Garner still be around to cooperate with the United Nations or will another friend of Rumsfeld be in charge by then? Either way, the White House has a long list of friendly political contributors to satisfy and there is an election coming up as campaigning costs rise.

Former U.S. President Harry Truman gained national prominence as a junior senator by overseeing the performance and investigating government overcharging by contractors during World War II. It makes you wonder who is watching these corporate entities and "friendly appointees" in this super-charged political environment. Truman knew from his days as a local official in Missouri about shady dealings, graft and corruption. Let's hope these characters don't betray our trust only because we are distracted at the moment. It is good to have friends, but our nation shouldn't have to unnecessarily pay for the relationships of the well connected.

BUSINESS & POLITICS

Democrats seek challenger

By Michelle Johnson
Staff Writer

The race is on. Democratic presidential hopefuls are in the middle of a heated battle to raise funds for the 2004 primaries. There are currently nine candidates contending for the coveted Democratic nomination.

With the April 15 filing deadline for the first quarter quickly approaching, many of the candidates are releasing preliminary totals. The first quarter runs from January to March and candidates are required by federal law to report their earnings to the Federal Election Commission.

According to *The New York Times*, Sen. John Edwards, D-N.C., is leading in the fundraising totals with $7.4 million at his disposal so far. Following closely behind is Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., who has amassed a total of $7 million for his campaign.

This came as a surprise to many party insiders who thought that Kerry would be the leader in the first quarter earnings. *The Washington Post* reported that Kerry is the richest member of Congress and that his family assets are valued at roughly $550 million. Kerry's wife inherited much of this fortune in 1991 when her former husband, Sen. H. John Heinz, died in a plane crash. Kerry ruled out the possibility of using a significant amount of this money for his campaign.

"It would be a contradiction. I said to people long ago and I held to this during my Senate campaign, I came to politics based on my own initiative and my own effort to raise money and that's the way I want to finish my life in politics," Kerry said, according to *The Washington Post*.

In third place for fundraising is Rep. Dick Gephardt, D-Mo., who was House Democratic leader from 1995 until the end of last year, making him a strong early contender for the nomination. Gephardt reportedly raised $3.6 million, $2.4 million of which he transferred from his congressional fundraising committee to his current campaign. His poor showing in comparison with Edwards and Kerry have some party insiders questioning his ability to successfully make the transition from House leader to presidential candidate, according to *The New York Times*.

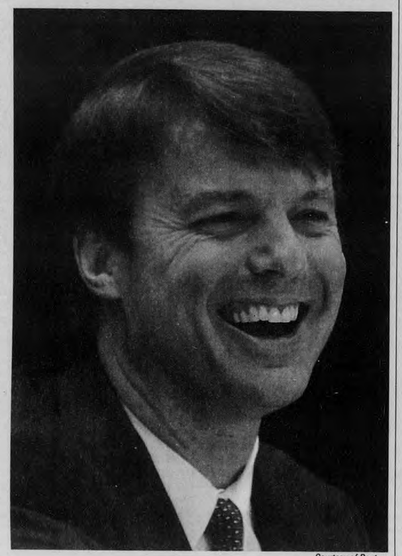
The Washington Post reported that former vice presidential nominee Sen. Joe Lieberman, D-Conn., who began fundraising after many of the other presidential hopefuls, rounds out the top four with approximately $3 million earned during the first quarter. 70 percent of that was raised in the month of March alone.

Craig Smith, Lieberman's campaign manager, is optimistic. "I'm tremendously proud of our growing strength. Once our fundraising operation was in place, we hit our stride," Smith said, according to *The Washington Post*.

Sen. Bob Graham, D-Fla., who is also the former governor of Florida, got a late start on fundraising. Graham had heart surgery on Jan. 31 and officially entered the race in late February. He compensated for lost time by acquiring a little over $1 million. He is also planning trips to California and New Hampshire to garner direct mail base. Graham is effectively using phone solicitation and Dean's strong anti-war sentiment appeals to critics of the war in Iraq, many of whom are online and have given contributions via this method.

Candidates are expected to need $15 to $20 million by the end of the year in order to be viewed as serious contestants for the nomination. To attain this goal, some of the Democratic presidential hopefuls are considering refusing public matching funds. This would allow them to exceed the $44 million spending limit imposed on those who accept the funds. Gephardt and Lieberman have not ruled out such action. Kerry is also being encouraged by his strategists to choose this option.

Democrats are looking for someone who can present a challenge to President George W. Bush, who is believed to be capable of raising an estimated $250 million for his campaign, according to *The Washington Post*.



Courtesy of Reuters

At the end of the first quarter of fundraising, Sen. John Edwards, D-N.C., is the leading candidate in pursuit of the Democratic presidential nomination for the 2004 elections. He has raised $7.4 million for his campaign.

Three other Democratic candidates up for nomination are former Vermont Gov. Howard Dean is still in the running with $2.6 million. Rep. Dennis Kucinich, D-Ohio, former Sen. Carol Mosely Braun, D-Ill., and civil rights activist Al Sharpton, none of whom have released their totals yet, according to *The New York Times*.

The presidential hopeful have all employed their own strategies to raise campaign funds. *The Washington Post* reported that Kerry has the strongest funds, according to CNN.com.

Preserving Iraq

International community concerned about protecting Iraqi oil sovereignty

By Jim Leahy
Senior Writer

Currently, the subject on the minds of everyone in the Bush and Blair administrations and the United Nations is the reconstruction of Iraq once the war is completed.

The press is asking who will govern and how the rule will change hands from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to the new government that replaces him in Baghdad. The United Nations wants to help restore peace and bring humanitarian aid to the Iraqi people. Perhaps most importantly, oil businesses around the world await the signal to step in and rebuild the key industry in Iraq.

According to a report in *The Wall Street Journal*, "Some of the world's largest oil companies have lined up to tap Iraq's vast petroleum potential, with proven oil reserves of 112 billion barrels. With the known reserves second only to Saudi Arabia, there exist potential resources that are double that. Another prime attraction to these companies: Iraq's oil production costs are among the lowest in the world, making for fat margins."

In a MSNBC.com report President of Cambridge Energy Research Associates Daniel Yergin said, "Estimates Iraq could up that to 6 million barrels a day by 2010 ... [although] it's currently estimated it could take $5 to 7 billion and about two years to get the industry back to where it was. It's an investment that's required in oil wells, pipelines, ports—the whole infrastructure of the industry."

What will be the rebuilding cost? There are many estimates taking into consideration the huge number of variables present in the rebuilding of Iraq.

The estimated cost is "upwards of $20 billion a year for many years for the requirements of post-conflict peace and stability as well as reconstruction in post-war Iraq," said Eric Schwartz, director of the post-war Iraq task force at the Council of Foreign Relations on MSNBC.com. "Under the best of circumstances, we're not going to create a Switzerland in the Persian Gulf in six months. It's not going to happen."

Time may be the most important variable in the rebuilding. No one knows how long it will take.

A majority of the costs for this rebuilding will be paid for by those oil reserves. Iraq was producing 3-3.5 million barrels a day at its height, and some believe that the country can produce up to 6 million barrels a day in the future, MSNBC.com reported. Officials are debating how best to use that oil to fund rebuilding.

According to *The Washington Post*, Russia, France, Germany and other key Security Council members are seeking to preserve U.N. management of the Iraqi oil industry. The Security Council president, Adolfo Aguilar Zinser of Mexico, told reporters that the 15-nation council has voiced its commitment to the principle that "Iraq's oil belongs to the Iraqis," during a discussion on the fate of Iraq's oil industry.

"The council must make an effort to preserve ... Iraq's sovereignty over its oil," Zinser said to *The Washington Post*.

The Bush administration sees the process unfolding in the following way, according to *The Washington Post*. First, the coalition forces in the region will direct reconstruction and security. Second, an interim government of Iraqis and Iraqi exiles who work or have worked in the oil industry will be installed in Baghdad. These personnel know the important industry in Iraq. Finally, "Iraq's long-term oil policies would be set by a permanent government chosen by Iraqis."

The oil industry will have to deal with the incoming Iraqi interim authority, a body over which the United Nations wants more control. The United Nations does not trust U.S. President George W. Bush and British Prime Minister Tony Blair to undertake this task properly. Bush and Blair recently discussed the post-war situation in Iraq during a summit held in Northern Ireland.

"The White House has made it clear that it will seek and welcome financial assistance, humanitarian aid and logistical support in post-war Iraq from other countries and international institutions including the United Nations," *The New York Times* reported. "It is also grappling with how long to keep American troops in Iraq, and whether there will be a need for a peacekeeping force, possibly provided by NATO, which like the United Nations was deeply divided by Mr. Bush's hard line against Iraq."

How Iraqi rebuilding will work remains to be seen. There will be a large amount of debate over the details and governments. What happens in Iraq will not affect the world's oil industry. With a reserve underneath Iraq that rivals only Saudi Arabia, the world market will see new supplies soon after the war is over.

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U.K. deports Muslim imam

Imam Abu Hamza al-Masri leads a mosque suspected of being connected with al Qaida

By Emma Post
Staff Writer

On April 5, Great Britain deported the radical Imam Abu Hamza al-Masri. *The New York Times* reported that David Blunkett, British Home Secretary, sent Masri a letter that withdrew his citizenship and said that he had 10 days to appeal or be deported.

Masri's expulsion was the first move taken under new laws empowering the British government to take away the British citizenship of immigrants with dual nationalities if their intentions threaten national interests.

The deportation came after many newspapers and members of parliament called for Masri's expulsion since new evidence had been found that Masri was persuading young British Muslims to wage holy war against the West. Masri, as an imam, which is a recognized religious leader of Shi'ite Islam, ran the Finsbury Park mosque in northern London. This mosque was suspected of being a recruiting ground for fundamentalist Islam and al Qaida.

Blunkett said that the deportation decision was founded on the belief that the cleric encouraged people "to take part in the jihad and fight us [the British] overseas."

"If you encourage, support, advise, help people to take up training, if you facilitate them, then, of course, that takes you right over the boundary," Blunkett said to *The New York Times*.

Zacarias Moussaoui, a French citizen of Moroccan descent who was arrested and faces conspiracy charges in connection with the Sept. 11 attacks, and Richard C. Reid, the Briton who pleaded guilty to having tried to blow up a Miami-bound jetliner en route from Paris in December 2001 with explosives hidden in his shoes, worshiped at Masri's mosque prior to their terrorist activities.

Many British Muslims have criticized Masri and his use of a religious site to promote violence and hatred. But Britain, which is home to a diverse population and relatively relaxed immigration policies, in addition to being a transportation hub and a financial center, has been a breeding ground for Islamic militants. As a result of this reputation, reinforced by the fact that many British Muslims have been discovered fighting for the Taliban in Afghanistan, French investigators have nicknamed the British capital "Londonistan."

Masri, a former nightclub bouncer, was born in Egypt, but became a citizen after moving to Britain in 1979 and marrying a British woman. He has one eye and wears two hooks for his hands because they were blown off by landmines in Afghanistan. Masri supports Osama bin Laden as well as the Sept. 11 attacks.

According to *The New York Times*, he declared the crew of the space shuttle Columbia a "trinity of evil" who were punished by God and deserved death because the shuttle consisted of five Americans, an Indian Hindu and an Israeli. He was removed from his post at the mosque for this comment.

In reference to U.S. President George W. Bush and British Prime Minister Tony Blair, Masri said at the Finsbury mosque on April 4, "Under the name of freedom, they enslave other nations. And under the name of peace, they wage war," reported *The Washington Post*.

Blunkett denied to the BBC that he intends to use his new powers to arrest and deport other radical clerics and said that the proceedings against Masri involved his actions, not his expressed opinions.

"We are not talking about a bigmouth shouting off," Blunkett said, according to *The New York Times*. "Irritating though that is, they have the right to do so."

Masri's lawyer says that he plans to appeal the deportation.

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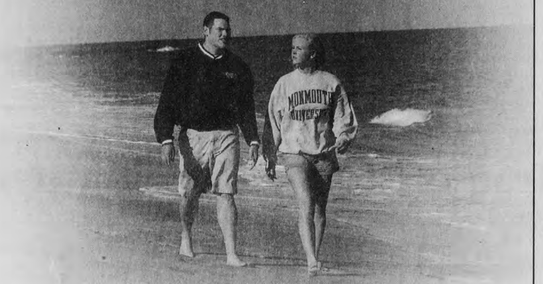

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Florida fears higher education of terrorists

Florida Rep. Dick Kravitz proposes ban on financial aid to international students coming from "terrorist nations"

By Kyle Schoeneman
Writer

The world of higher education will never be the same in the aftermath of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. Homeland security turns its attention now to international students, due to the fact that three of the alleged 19 hijackers of Sept. 11 posed as university students.

The Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) is currently keeping a watchful eye on student visas. All colleges and universities are required to enter their international students in a national computer network known as the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS). Despite the measures that are being taken in the name of security, some lawmakers find it appropriate to further these precautions by eliminating aid to certain students to discourage them from attending American colleges and universities.

A recent bill in the Florida legislature proposes the ban of state aid to international students who are from countries that support terrorism. Republican State Rep. Dick Kravitz formulated the bill.

"In these hard times we need to put as much taxpayer money as possible into programs for residents of the state of Florida who are citizens," Kravitz said, according to CNN.

Kravitz, a former insurance agent, said that the United States is educating students who will possibly help their native lands oppose the United States. There are no other states with this type of proposal.

According to CNN, the bill would ban state aid to international students from the State Department's list of "terrorist nations," including Iran, Iraq, Syria, Sudan, Libya, North Korea and Cuba. Cuba was later removed from the list due to Florida's large number of Cuban immigrants.

According to the Department of Education, state universities and colleges spent a mere $308,717 in 2001 and 2002 to provide financial aid for 822 students from the original seven countries on the list.

The bill has been receiving a lot of attention lately due to the recent arrest of Sami Al-Arian, a professor at the University of South Florida. According to CNN, Al-Arian is described as the North American leader of the Palestinian Islamic Jihad.

The bill has caused discontent among civil rights defenders. President of the Muslim Students Association at Florida State University Hadia Mubarak said that the bill would target only Islamic students.

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The Council on American-Islamic Relations also has spoken out against the bill. According to *The San Francisco Chronicle*, the council's spokesman, Ahmed Bedier, claimed that students from the listed nations are "innocent bystanders and have nothing to do with terrorism."

Mubarak and other strong opponents of the bill claim educational opportunities for foreign students are the best hope for changing their home countries.

"These students become the ambassadors of American values," Mubarak said to *The Naples Daily News*.

Kravitz said that the foreign students would not help this country because their visas require them to return home after graduation. When they return home, it is possible for them to support terrorism with their newly acquired knowledge. Kravitz made the claim that one of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's top biological weapons scientists is a woman who was educated at the University of Missouri, *The Naples Daily News* reported.

"They are going back to countries whose regimes are out to get us," Kravitz said, according to *The Naples Daily News*.

When confronted in 2001, Florida Republican Gov. Jeb Bush expressed skepticism about the bill.

"Let's be thoughtful about this and not overreact. Florida's strength is its diversity," Bush said, according to *The Naples Daily News*.

The governor was wary of the idea of possibly keeping top students out of Florida's universities.

Last year, Kravitz was unable to get his bill passed, but the bill got approval from the House Higher Education Committee with a vote of 6-0, according to CNN. The bill still needs the approval from four more committees, which is unlikely to occur.

As Hussein falls, Iraqi future remains uncertain

Courtesy of Reuters

U.S. troops destroy a statue of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in Baghdad. As coalition forces come closer to achieving their goals of Operation Iraqi Freedom, debate heats up as to who should be responsible for Iraq's future; U.S. George W. Bush and British Prime Minister Tony Blair disagree on the role the United Nations should play in post-war Iraq.

By Devin Gangi
Writer

Ever since the war with Iraq began roughly two weeks ago, British Prime Minister Tony Blair has been negotiating constantly with the White House over how to handle a post-war Iraq, through both peacekeeping forces and setting up a suitable government.

Blair has been consistently at odds with U.S. President George W. Bush in determining what role the United Nations should play in constructing a new regime. Blair has repeatedly called for a swift transition to domestic Iraqi rule after Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has been ousted, with the United Nations heavily involved in the construction of a new democratic government.

"We're not saying that the future of Iraq should be governed by the Americans and the British, we're saying the future of Iraq should be governed by the Iraqi people," Blair said to the BBC.

The White House, on the other hand, is doubtful about the future role of the United Nations and the speed with which power should be handed over to a new Iraqi authority. These reservations by the Bush administration are not surprising, given the failure of diplomacy in the U.N. Security Council.

This developing rift has cast Britain in the unenviable role of trying to bring the United States and Europe together on post-war policy. France, Germany and Russia have all emphasized that they want strong U.N. involvement in post-war Iraq. These policy differences have given Blair an unattractive choice: Either yield to the Bush administration's often unilateral decisions or side with his European allies in defending the role of the United Nations.

Not only have Blair's European neighbors balked at his pro-war stance, but Blair has faced considerable internal pressure as well. Most of this pressure has come not from opposition parties, but from his own Labour Party members, who collectively felt that only a U.N.-sanctioned war against Iraq would be acceptable, according to CNN. In the British parliamentary system, prime ministers are just as likely to be removed from office by their own party members as by those of the opposition party.

Blair has risked his job in supporting Bush and staked his political career on a quick, successful war with Iraq. Blair initially threw in his support with the United States for the simple reason that whatever America wants, America usually gets. He figures that it is better to be an ally of the likely victor and share the spoils of war than to watch from the sideline and draw potential American animosity.

According to CNN, one of Blair's main long-term goals is to try and make Britain the center of a dependable and significant European Union. Being both on the winning side and successfully reconciling European and American differences after the war would go a long way toward achieving that goal.

If the war were to go badly, France and Germany would likely shape the European Union's future policy, and Blair would probably be out of office. If Blair cannot convince the United States to let the United Nations have a prominent rebuilding role in Iraq, his government will likely be politically isolated from the rest of Europe.

Blair has also become increasingly nervous over the Bush administration's military intentions after the war for Iraq. U.S. Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld has recently made several threatening remarks towards Syria and Iran, leading to European speculation that the United States' operations in the Middle East are far from over. As much as British backing for an unsanctioned war against Iraq was unacceptable domestically and internationally for Blair, further attacks would be even more so.

Blair remains hopeful that matters can be worked out to the benefit of all parties.

"The U.S. needs a lot of international money for Iraq's reconstruction, and it needs support in the region to maintain its legitimacy there. Washington recognizes that even it, on its own, cannot fund the humanitarian and reconstruction effort," Blair said, according to *The Financial Times*.

Blair met with Bush Monday in Northern Ireland with the war and potential U.N. involvement as primary topics of conversation. Only time will tell if Blair's and Bush's efforts to reach an acceptable agreement to the international community, which would also save Blair's job, will succeed.

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Abroad Perspective: Sevilla, Spain

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Above: La Plaza de España in Sevilla, Spain, is where scenes from "Star Wars: Attack of the Clones" were filmed. Emily Thede '04 spent many hours there reading and writing during her semester in Sevilla. Clockwise from top right: Thede worked with these Spanish students from a local grade school through an internship program; the Alhambra in Granada which is the most famous example of Islamic architecture outside of the Islamic world; Thede and Meghann Peace '04 on their trip to Morocco with four Spanish men: (left to right) Meghann Peace '04, José, José, José, Paco and Thede.

By Emily Thede
Contributing Writer

The day I arrived in Sevilla, Spain, I took a little nap in my apartment and then set out on foot with my new roommate Sarah and our señora (hostmother) Rosa to get a taste of the city.

Rosa guided us through our neighborhood to the Parque de Maria Luisa. We entered the park and walked along the path flanked by towering palm trees and budding orange trees. Later I would discover the enormity of the park with its museums, fountains, pathways and ponds. I would sit reading, watching the goofy doves and pigeons and watching

the little dogs, kids and couples stroll by.

The path continued right by what came to be one of my favorite sights of Sevilla, the Plaza de España. It is no surprise that this gorgeous building is a popular place where commercials and movies like "Star Wars: Attack of the Clones" are filmed. Throughout my semester, I would spend hours sitting in the plaza listening to the carriages trot around the fountain, watching the newlyweds get their pictures taken, writing in my journal, watching the sunset and taking it all in.

Within about 20 minutes we arrived at La Universidad de Sevilla, where I would be studying through the Sweet Briar Junior Year in Spain Program (Sweet Briar JYS). That was the enjoyable walk I would take every day to get to my classes.

We continued walking to the Torre de Oro, which sits beside the Guadalquivir River. We walked along the river and then up to the bullring, the Real Maestranza de Sevilla. Later I would sit inside the bullring among a full crowd and experience a bullfight firsthand. I would contemplate the brutal artistry of the struggle between man and beast and cheer and gasp right along with the locals.

We circled back in toward the center of the city, where I got my first glimpse of the cathedral and the connecting Muslim prayer tower, the Giralda. We sat down for tapas (a snack) outside at a bar right across from the cathedral and began to get to know one another. It was starting to get late so we caught a bus back to our apartment.

As I sat in my bed that night, I was awestruck that this exotic paradise was going to be my new home for the next four months. I knew that night that I had made the right decision to study in Sevilla and that I was going to have an amazing semester. Whatever nervousness I had felt disappeared upon meeting my welcoming family, my fun and friendly roommate and my beautiful new city. I felt at home right from the beginning.

One of the best ways to improve your language skills and get to know another culture is to live with a host family. I lived with a family of five including the mother Rosa, father Pedro, daughters Maria (27) and Lucía (19), son Pedro (24) and their little dog, Nico. While I spent most of my time outside of the house experiencing all that Spain has to offer, it was always nice to come back home for real Spanish meals cooked by Rosa, who just happened to be a private caterer. She generally cooked very well despite the occasional espinaca con garbanzos (spinach and garbanzo beans). I was especially a fan of her paella and tortilla española, two common Spanish dishes.

During meals we would customarily chat about a diverse array of topics from everyday events and stories to politics, holidays, customs, food, history and current events, with food taking the prize for the most frequent topic of conversation. I was usually able to follow the conversation very well, but it could be difficult at times due to people's Sevillan accents. The people of southern Spain don't enunciate their words clearly and they tend to drop consonants and word endings. Even native speakers from other Spanish-speaking countries or from other parts of Spain would assure me not to worry—they too had trouble understanding the Sevillanos.

After three weeks of orientation, we registered for our classes at La Universidad de Sevilla. I had the opportunity to take many unique and intriguing classes including a class about flamenco dancing, its characteristics, history and different forms; a class on Spanish society and culture; a class about the Muslims, Christians and Jews living in medieval Spain; and a seminar about Spain and the European Union that was offered by Sweet Briar JYS. The professors were all very knowledgeable and accessible to American students. I enjoyed learning about Spanish history and culture in the classroom and then being able to see and experience what I was learning firsthand in my daily life.

Outside of the classroom, I was able to participate in many different activities that greatly enhanced my experience. With the help of Sweet Briar JYS, I was set up with an internship helping out in a class of 4-year-olds at a local grade school. Every Wednesday morning that I came into class, a few students would run toward me and hug my legs—pretty soon I was being swarmed by almost the entire class! Once they had calmed down again, I would go around giving individual help with the day's lesson. The English lesson was first so I would test the students on the colors and the English words for various objects. My favorite day was when they learned how to say "trick or treat," but it sounded more like "chicky chi."

One of my passions has always been music and I'm involved with several music groups at Bucknell. Since music is so important to me, I sought out a way to participate in music while in Spain. Fellow Bucknellian Meghann Peace '04 and I contacted a community choir director and were able to join his choir, La Asociación Coral de Sevilla. We were lucky enough to sing for a special mass as well as in a concert of Vivaldi's Gloria with excellent soloists, a harpsichord and a full orchestra. Through our experience in choir we were also able to make some new Spanish friends.

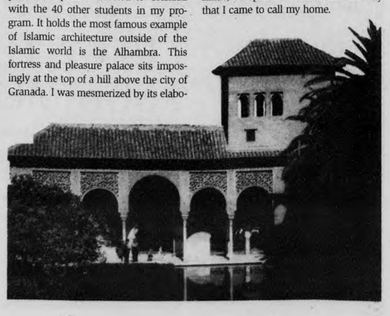
At night I would text message my friends on my beloved mobile phone and we would head to concerts, movies, bars and discotecas (dance clubs). Going to see American movies in Spain was always entertaining since they usually dub all of their movies in Spanish. It was funny to hear actors like Pierce Brosnan, Will Smith, Reese Witherspoon and Angelina Jolie "speaking" Spanish.

We would often go to bars with live flamenco music and dancing or just sit outside along the river sipping sangría and listening to the locals pull out their guitars and start playing. One night a group of people formed a circle right by us and started playing their guitars, singing, clapping and dancing. Eventually, Meghann and I were drawn into the group and clapped along with the music. What makes flamenco so unique is that it's not just something done in formal settings by professionals. While there are many talented professional groups, this group of people was not simply putting on a show for strangers. Instead, these people were getting together with friends to have a good time and express themselves through music and dance. Flamenco is a unique art form that belongs to the common people. It is completely different from anything I've experienced in the United States.

Since we only had classes Monday through Thursday, almost every Friday we would catch a bus or train to a new and exciting destination. One of our first independent excursions was to "the Rock"—that is, the Rock of Gibraltar. Contrary to popular opinion, my friends and I found Gibraltar to be much more than just a rock due to its rich historical past, culturai mix and natural beauty. One of Gibraltar's main claims to fame is the Barbary apes that roam wild around the streets. I even had one of them jump on my shoulders for a picture! But what was even more exciting about Gibraltar was its location right across the strait from Africa. I squealed with excitement upon seeing the cliffs of Morocco and waved foolishly toward my friend Sarah Gudenkauf '04 who was studying in Kenya. Many of us decided that we would have to make a return trip and cross the ocean to Morocco after seeing the African shore.

Three weeks later I did just that. Although I would have loved to venture into the real heart of Morocco, our schedules did not permit such extensive traveling, so we settled for the international and somewhat touristy coastal city of Tangier. A group of seven other students and I boarded the ferry for Tangier at the Spanish port of Algeciras. En route to Morocco we met four Spanish guys by the names of José, José, José and Paco. I guess Paco's parents didn't get the memo. They were also visiting Tangier for the weekend, so we were able to spend time together and get lots of practice on our Spanish. Ironically, one of the best experiences I had speaking Spanish and making Spanish friends was in Morocco. I will admit that some of our experiences like the snake charmer, traditional pharmacy and camel ride were a bit touristy in nature. Awakening to the sound of the Muslim prayer call being projected across the city at 5:30 a.m. was a truly authentic experience and reminded me that I was in a completely foreign culture. I have never been so thrilled to wake up at such an early hour! I was captivated by the song and caught up by such a moving experience.

I was also able to see and experience Arabic cultural influences within Spain. The Arabic influence is most apparent in the city of Granada since it was the last stronghold of the 800-year Muslim occupation of Spain. I traveled to Granada with the 40 other students in my program. It holds the most famous example of Islamic architecture outside of the Islamic world is the Alhambra. This fortress and pleasure palace sits imposingly at the top of a hill above the city of Granada. I was mesmerized by its elaborate gardens, ponds and intricate mosaics and designs. At night we wandered down a street lined with Arabic shops and cafés. One of my favorite memories is of sitting at one of these Arabic cafés chatting with friends, drinking tea, eating crêpes, listening to the Arabic music of Khaled and learning some basic Arabic phrases from our Moroccan waiter.



While I have already included some truly fabulous travel experiences, I don't know how I could write this article without mentioning Barcelona. Barcelona is a city unlike any other. The city has a vibrant feel with the portrait artists and the actors that stand dressed in colorful costumes like statues along one of Barcelona's main streets. But what really makes this city stand out is its art and architecture. Barcelona was home to some of Spain's most remarkable artists and architects, including Pablo Picasso and Antoni Gaudí, and their influence is visible throughout the city. I quickly became obsessed with Gaudí's inventive, colorful and unique modern style and visited as many of his creations as I could. The Sagrada Familia, Parc Guell and the various houses he designed invoked images of "Star Wars," Candyland and Dr. Seuss. While I loved my home in Sevilla, I had a hard time leaving Barcelona behind.

After a long night of singing at my choir concert and packing, I awoke in the early hours of the morning, called a taxi and bid Rosa farewell. As my roommate Sarah and I headed down to the street, I felt the tears well up in my eyes. While I am not usually one to show my emotions, there was no holding back. My taxi driver arrived quickly and handed me a Kleenex. Within four short months, I had some of the best experiences of my life. I will always remember the friends I made, the places I visited and the city that I came to call my home.

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Bison expand first-place Patriot League lead

By Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

The Bucknell baseball team doesn't look much like a team that was voted to finish fifth out of six teams in the Patriot League. The Bison snagged three victories in a four-game series at Navy last weekend, losing the other game by a single run. After the near swcep of the Midshipmen, who were predicted to finish first in the league, the Bison hold a 14-7 overall record and lead the league with a 6-2 mark.

The Orange and Blue outgamed Navy twice on Saturday, 4-1 and 3-2, and then split a doubleheader on Sunday, losing a tight 2-1 decision and then shutting out the Midshipmen 2-0 in the final game of the series.

The wins also improve the Bison's away record to 6-2 since returning from spring break. Head Coach Gene Depew is enthusiastic about the successful road games.

"We feel very good about our 6-2 start on the road and are looking forward to the next few weeks," Depew said.

The series was a crucial one for the Bison, especially in light of Navy's high preseason ranking.

"In my four years on the team, there is always a more serious mood and a different kind of focus during the week leading up to the Navy series," co-captain R.J. Grant '03 said. "Navy has been picked as preseason champions the last four years, so naturally, we're going to turn up the level and leave everything we have on the field each game, each inning."

The Bison did just that, kicking off the weekend with a victory in the first game of a doubleheader on April 5. Starting pitcher Kevin Miller '04 effectively stifled Navy's offense with a one-run, three-hit complete game effort.

The Bison gave Miller a one-run cushion in the third, breaking up a scoreless game. B.J. Batterson '03 walked and advanced to second on a sacrifice by Ben Stoll '04 before scoring on a single to center field by Sam Moss '04.

The team bolstered its lead with two runs in the fifth, moving the score to 3-0. Batterson drew his second walk of the afternoon and Stoll knocked out a single. Moss then took advantage of an error, reaching base on an errant throw and loading up the bases for the Bison. Navy's third error of the day allowed Brian Day '05 to reach first as Batterson crossed the plate for Bucknell's second run of the game. Brian Hirschberg '04 sent home Stoll with a sacrifice fly to center.

Kyle Walter '06 led off the sixth inning with a single and scored from first when Batterson drilled a double into center field.

Navy attempted to chip away at the Bison's 4-0 lead in the seventh, but could only manage one run on two hits. Miller ran into a bit of trouble in the inning when the Midshipmen ripped out a triple and a single with one out in the frame, but he quickly rebounded to strike out two consecutive batters and end the game.

Miller's three seventh inning strikeout increased his strike-out total for the day to seven and his season total to 26. The win moved his record to a team-best 4-0.

Although the four runs were the most the team scored in a game all weekend, the low offensive numbers were deceptive as the weekend was full of valuable well-timed and efficient hitting. Assistant Coach Rick Ciccione said the quality of the hitting was high.

"Navy threw four very good pitchers against us, but we were able to get clutch hits in crucial situations," Ciccione said.

The second game of the day delivered more suspense than the first, as the Bison and Midshipmen took a 1-1 deadlock into the ninth inning.

Pitching proved to be the Bison's strength again, as Grant battled through eight innings, allowing just one run on six hits and striking out seven. Grant earned the win for his fourth victory of the season, while Phil Futrick '06 grabbed his fifth save of the season.

Grant went into the game confident that the Bison pitching was capable of securing victories against the tough Navy pitching staff.

"I was confident that if our hitters gave us a couple of runs in each game, we could leave Annapolis with three or four victories," Grant said.

The Bison's only scoring in the first eight frames came in the fourth inning. Stoll led off with a single and advanced to second on a Moss sacrifice. Day then sent Stoll home with a double down the left field line.

The two teams then scattered hits over the next few innings, but failed to capitalize when runners reached base. Timely hitting and excellent base running helped the Bison break up the scoring drought in the ninth inning with a two-run surge.

Austin Barrett '05 singled with *two outs in the inning and Walter* followed up with a hit of his own. Pinch-runner Chris Grandizio '06 and Walter then successfully orchestrated a double steal, putting runners on second and third for Phil Bunting '05. Bunting drilled his third hit of the day into center field, scoring both runners and giving the team a 3-1 lead.

In addition to his solid hitting, catcher Bunting was an integral part of the Bison's defensive success in all four games. Grant stressed the importance of Bunting's contributions to the battery and the defense.

"Besides the solid pitching, Phil Bunting caught all four games and did an amazing job gunning down [Navy's] runners and really stifling their running game," Grant said. "Sometimes Phil goes unnoticed, but he studies each hitter's tendencies and looks for flaws in their stance or swing. A good pitching staff always has a good catcher and

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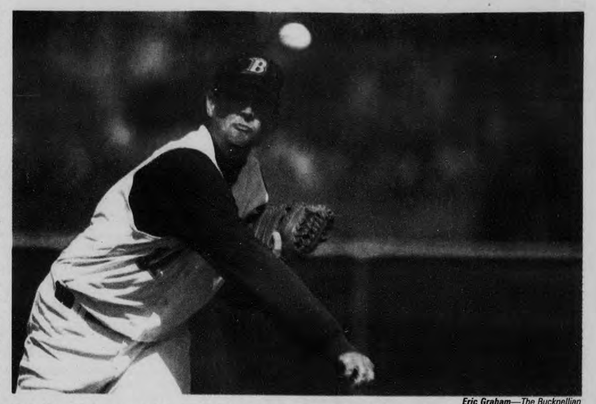

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Zach Allen '03 throws a pitch during an earlier game. Allen pitched six innings against Navy last Sunday, giving up only one hit and two unearned runs. Five Bison pitchers combined for an ERA of .93 over the four games.

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Sam Moss '04 gets ready for action on the basepaths. Strong base running was one of the factors that helped the Bison outduel Navy last weekend.

Lacrosse extends winning streak

By Pat Evans
Sports Editor

The 17th ranked Bison men's lacrosse team extended its winning streak to five games after beating 18th ranked Villanova 7-6 and Lafayette 12-5 last week at home. The team will take the longest winning streak that the University has seen since the undefeated 1996 season to West Point this Saturday where the Bison will face Army, one of the preseason favorites to win the Patriot League.

As has been the story all season, it was the Bison defense that got the job done against favored Villanova. The Orange and Blue went into the game ranked 3rd in the nation in the goals-against per game category letting up only 6.6 goals per game and were tested against the Wildcats who were number one in the category.

Villanova's offense is also one of the most potent in the nation, but the Bison responded to that too.

"You get put under a lot of pressure when a team can control the ball on offense," head coach Sid Jamieson said. "You have to have good character and not lose composure, and our defense was able to do that."

The Wildcats took a 2-0 lead just before the second half before the Bison took control and went on a 6-1 run. The key to the run was a four-goal spurt as the Bison's senior midfielders John Terracciano '03, Kelly Hogue '03 and Andrew Copelan '03 all scored in a span of 3:20 in the third quarter.

"That run was a function of momentum and how the game unfolds," Jamieson said. "We were able to utilize our midfield's skills and quickness and that helped us. But we weren't surprised that we were able to do that, it's to be expected."

"We all play defense well individually, but what is key is that our team defense works together so well that we just suffocate other teams."
—Justin Sussman '03

Chris Cara '05, the Bison's leading scorer didn't score a goal, but had five assists in the game.

"The middies were cutting to the crease well and I was able to find them," Cara said.

Goalie Justin Sussman '03 was spectacular as usual saving 12 shots including one critical one with 2:30 left in the game to ensure the Bison win. Sussman entered the game number one in the nation in save percentage with an average of .700.

"Sussman playing at the top of his game right now is a function of his having more confidence in himself after gaining so much experience," Jamieson said.

Another reason for his success has been the stingy defense in front of him that has made it very difficult for players to get off good shots on goal.

"I think what sets us apart from other teams is our preparation before games," Sussman said. "We all play defense well individually, but what is key is that our team defense works together so well that we just suffocate other teams."

The Bison defense again dominated against Lafayette in a drubbing that was the fifth time this season that the Orange and Blue have allowed five goals or fewer in a game. Again the team got help offensively from its midfield as Rob Lane '03, Terracciano and Copelan combined for five goals and seven assists.

"Overall I didn't feel like we played that well, but the middies stepped up and played really well to take it," Cara said.

Like the Villanova game it was close early before the Bison midfielders took control. The Herd lead was just one 3-2 late in

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Women drop heartbreaker, 11-10

By Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

The Bucknell women's lacrosse team suffered another heartbreaker last weekend, falling victim to a dramatic rally by Dusquesne to lose 10-11. The Bison's three-game winning streak came to a halt with the loss, as their record fell below .500 again at 4-5. Despite the loss, the team played well and made a strong effort.

The Bison were quick to jump to a 3-0 lead, as Suzanne Raffaele '03 rifled two goals into the net in the first 10 minutes and Amy Hasler '04 scored a goal with 22 minutes, 33 seconds on the clock.

Dusquesne and Bucknell then alternated goal-scoring for the next 18 minutes, during which Victoria Field '06 and Andrea Paraud '05 both added to the Bison's total. With two minutes remaining in the half, the Orange and Blue held a 5-3 lead.

Raffaele was on a roll in the closing minutes of the half, increasing the Bison's lead to 7-3 with two unassisted goals to increase her scoring total on the day to four. The fourth of her goals came with just three seconds left in the half.

The second half was more of a battle for the Bison, as Dusquesne had a sudden resurgence in the last 30 minutes.

The Dukes scored two unanswered goals to kick off the half, narrowing the score to 7-5. Cora Preston '05 opened the lead to three when she netted a goal with 16:43 left in the game.

Another Dusquesne score and a goal by Meredith Wright '04 moved the score to 9-6 as the game entered the final six minutes of play.

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Track competes at Colonials

By Evan Honeyfield
Staff Writer

Bucknell's track team produced some big results at Colonial Relays at William and Mary April 4-6, but came home with injuries. Noel Powell '04 and Lou Palma '03 led the men to 5th out of 22 schools, while Maria Garcia '04 led the women to seventh out of 18 schools.

Powell had a hand in 34 of the Bison's 63 points by winning the 100 meter dash and long jump, taking second in the 200 and leading the 4x100 and 4x200 relays to sixth place finishes. Even with those impressive performances, Powell has plenty of room for improvement as his 100m time was hindered by a stiff wind and he came up only one centimeter short of the NCAA regional mark in the long jump.

The NCAA regional qualifying time was no match for Palma, as he used a strong field in the 1500 to his advantage. Palma got in the race early and looked strong at the end, finishing third with a time of 3 minutes, 49 seconds, just 0.4 second back of the winner.

Palma was happy with his time, but not with his place. "I could have stepped out for the win, but I was afraid that if I got pushed too far outside someone could have snuck by on the inside for third place," Palma said.

Palma came back the next day to split 3:50, leading the 4x1500 relay contingent of Eric Furst '03, Bryan Johnston '03 and Wes Reinhardt '04 to fourth place.

Head Coach Kevin Donner was very pleased with many performances, but worried about health issues.

"Our men's 4x1500 ran super against great competition. Palma and Powell are our "go-to guys" right now. They are competing very well. I was also extremely happy with our three freshmen men in the 5k—[William] Duffy, [Kevin] Fortkiewicz and [Michael] Delaney. I was happy in that we beat some pretty good programs on both sides; however, I am somewhat concerned with some of the injuries we have," Donner said.

Those injuries included one the Bison's top steeplechasers on the men's side and one of the Bison's top women hurdlers.

Injuries withstanding, the women also put up some fine marks. Garcia threw the hammer over 165 feet to place second, just two feet shy of the NCAA regional mark.

Donner praised the runners.

"Our distance medley and 4x1,500 [relays] looked great as well as our 4x100. Our 4x100 ran as fast as we ran all last year and it's still relatively early in the season. [Amy] Calvo '05 and [Charity] Brady '03 ran some nice times in the 400. The competition was awesome in that event," Donner said.

Jen Marsh '05, who teamed up with Calvo, Nicki Piper '03 and Theresa Dennis '03 in the distance medley relay, was psyched about the race, but looking for better in the future.

"All members of the team ran well," Marsh said. "It was a great race. Beating great teams like Seton Hall and JMU was awesome. The key is to be happy but never be satisfied. If you're satisfied you'll never improve."

Looking ahead to this weekend, the Bison will be hosting the Bison Outdoor Classic, starting tonight with the distance carnival at 7 p.m.

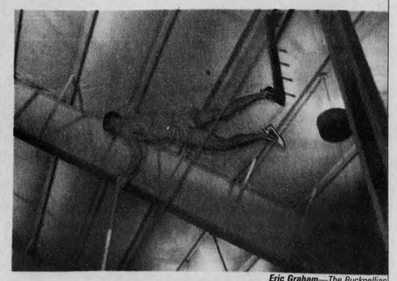
"It will be exciting to compete at home," Marsh said. "We haven't run against most of the teams yet during the outdoor season. Different competition will be a good challenge. I think the team will be fired up, we'll do awesome and overall it will be a great meet."

Palma is optimistic about the men's team as well.

"I think the mid-distance guys are looking forward to the meet because we know we can run better as a group," Palma said. "The student body can come to the track meet and play in the steeple pit as long as they cheer for us."

Besides the competition, April had brought Donner an additional concern for this meet.

"Hopefully the weather can get better," Donner said.



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The track team came home from the Colonial Relays at William and Mary last weekend with promising wins and disappointing injuries.

Sports

More than just a game for Junge

Former Bucknell star carries memories of lost friends as he cruises to major-league success

By Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

Eric Junge, a 1999 graduate of Bucknell, knew it was an honor to be standing on the mound at Veterans Stadium last fall, staring down a major-league hitter for the first time in his career.

After all, out of the 1,000 or so players who sign a professional contract each year, only about 10 percent ever play so much as an inning in the major leagues. For 9 out of 10 aspiring minor leaguers, the dream dies at Triple A—if it even gets that far.

That Junge, an 11th-round draftee, had landed himself in the elite 10 percent would have been reason enough to cherish that mid-September evening. Not a lot of guys get a first major-league pitch.

But what Junge will always remember about his major-league debut has nothing to do with statistics or percentages. Whatever odds that he had overcome to get there weren't leading the stream of thoughts that flowed through his mind as the innings ticked by.

There was only one number that really stood out to Junge that night as he sat in the bullpen, and that was the date. Through some turn of fate, he happened to get called up on Sept. 11, the first anniversary of a day that had shattered lives and hearts all over the nation.

Clad for the first time in big-league garb, the most important feature of his attire that night wasn't the little major-league baseball logo embroidered just below the back neckline of his pinstriped jersey. It wasn't the franchise name sewn in red letters across his chest, or the letters "J-U-N-G-E" arching across his shoulder blades, or anything else that appeared on the outfit courtesy of the official league manufacturer.

It was three words inscribed by Junge himself on the side of his ballcap: Fetchet, Mello, McGinley.

Those three words—all last names—were what made his 22 pitches that night the most important inning of his career.

Baseball has long been used as a metaphor for life; sometimes it can be a very appropriate one. Sometimes, though, it isn't. Baseball is never so cruel as life has the capacity to be. Loss, in baseball, is an "L" in a boxscore. In life, loss hits a lot harder.

On a calm Tuesday morning in September of 2001, loss hit Junge particularly hard. Brutally hard.

The attack on our nation that took place that morning tore away a piece of everybody in some way. It took lives. It struck down innocence. It mauled the nation's sense of security.

For Junge, it stole away three friends.

Twenty-five-year-old Chris Mello, a high school buddy of Junge, had boarded the ill-fated American Airlines Flight 11 early that morning. The Boeing 767 and its innocent passengers, including Mello, perished at the hands of the merciless hijackers.

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> *—Eric Junge '99*

Two more of Junge's friends, fellow Bucknell graduates Brad Fetchet '99 and Mark McGinley '97, went to work that morning in the World Trade Center, expecting it to be like any other day. Neither ever came back out.

The billows of ashy smoke that enveloped New York City and its once-stately skyline were too far away to reach the clean skies in Huntsville, Ala., where Junge was supposed to have pitched the first game of the Southern League Championship Series. But the heartbreak got there just fine. For the big Jacksonville Suns pitcher, the anguish kept piling on, as he heard about the fate of his pals.

The smoke over Manhattan's skyline would eventually dissipate. The hurt was forever.

On Nov. 9, 2001, the Dodgers dealt Junge to the Philadelphia Phillies as part of a package deal with reliever Jesus Cordero. The Dodgers got 29-year-old Omar Daal to provide an immediate fix for their rotation; the Phillies got the future.

Phillies general manager Ed Wade saw a tremendous upside to the lanky Bucknell grad, projecting that Junge would eventually earn a spot in the major-league club's rotation. But the Phillies were in no rush to throw their new hurler to the wolves—the majors are an unforgiving place for an inexperienced pitcher.

The still-crestfallen Junge was coming off of a 10-11 season with the AA Jacksonville Suns of the Dodgers organization. He had started 27 games, pounded out 164 innings and struck out 116 as he and the Suns soared into the league championships.

Of course, they never did play that series.

Junge was sent to Scranton/Wilkes-Barre—just a couple of hours east of his alma mater—to start the 2002 season with the AAA Red Barons. Twenty-nine starts and 180.2 innings later, he had stamped himself as the kind of pitcher that any major-league franchise would like to have waiting in the wings, providing backup artillery in the case that any major-league arms should falter or incur injury.

His 29 starts were enough to tie a Red Barons record, lead the entire Phillies system and tie for the International League lead in that category. His 126 strikeouts were fifth in the league and his 3.54 ERA was the best of the Scranton/Wilkes-Barre rotation.

Even with solid statistics, Junge didn't expect that 2002 would be his year. After the Red Barons, who won a divisional title with 91 wins, had bombed out of the first round of the International League playoffs by Sept. 6, the young ace was ready to ease into the off-season before the start of the Arizona Fall League.

It was time to rest his arm. He knew already, though, that there would be no rest for his mind in the following weeks.

The anniversary of Sept. 11 was fast approaching on the horizon, bringing with it the haunting pain that had befallen so many Americans the year before. It would drive home the finality of the tragedy.

Junge knew he'd have to brace himself for that day and all the memories that would surely accompany it. With the Red Barons' season having self-destructed, he'd at least have a little relaxation time to prepare for the harrowing anniversary.

Then he got the call.

The Philadelphia Phillies—the *major-league* Philadelphia Phillies—needed to give their bullpen a bit of a boost. Junge looked like a good candidate, so they extended him an official invitation on the 10th. On the 11th, he was suited for action.

Suddenly the fateful date would no longer offer the chance for Junge to sit quietly and reflect.

Instead, he'd be reflecting, mourning—and remembering—with several thousand people watching him. What it turned out to be was the opportunity of a lifetime.

"A Sept. 11 call-up, to me, was the most important thing I had ever done," Junge said. "Representing friends of mine who lost their lives a year prior was something indescribably humbling."

His tribute was subtle but poignant. On the side of his new Phillies cap he wrote the last names of the three friends he wished could be there to share the moment. For all the pride associated with living the major-league dream, the real honor of that evening was in carrying on the memory of his fallen companions.

"I'm lucky to have represented and shown the world a glimpse of who those guys were and what they stood for, even if it was just a silent inscription on my hat," Junge said. "It meant the world to me."

The fact that Fetchet, Mello and McGinley couldn't be counted in the night's attendance tally of 12, 274 didn't mean they were any less present.

Whatever careful twist of fate—or power above—that gave Junge the ball on that specific night surely also saw to it that when he threw that first pitch, there were *12,277* people watching him.

Although it was somewhat of a side note to an emotional evening, Junge fared pretty well against his first set of major-league foes. It wasn't perfect—the first batter he faced, Ramon Castro, plunked a double into deep left center—but Junge held his own. The 6-foot-5-inch rookie gave up a run, but he also struck out a batter and ended the game by inducing a 5-4-3 double play.

Three days later, he made his first major-league start. Holding Pittsburgh to four hits and one unearned run while fanning five Pirates over five innings, he also made it his first major-league win.

He pitched two more games, both in relief, before the season's end. When the Phillies called it a season, Junge's major-league statistics were pretty flashy: 12.2 innings pitched, 14 hits, three runs, two earned runs, five walks, 11 strikeouts and a superb 1.42 ERA. His record: two wins, no losses.

Maybe it's hard to judge a pitcher based on only four late-September appearances, but if Junge's 12 innings of work last fall are any indicator of what's to come, then the Philadelphia Phillies really lucked out.

His success shouldn't have come as much of a surprise to anyone who followed his ascent up the rungs of the minor-league ladder. Or just watched him pitch. He's got the brains and composure of a finesse pitcher, yet he hurls a deceptively powerful fastball.

Obviously his talent is something special. He is, after all, the only Bucknell baseball player to make the major-leagues since Bob Keegan, who retired in 1958.

He graduated with a 16-15 win-loss record and a then school-record 12 saves.

The lean right-hander has come a long way in the seven years since he first came to Bucknell.

Current Assistant Baseball Coach Rick Ciccione, a teammate of Junge's for three years, recalled how far the pitcher has come.

"Playing with Junge for three years was great because it gave me the chance to see firsthand his evolution from a laid-back free-spirit to an intense major-league prospect," Ciccione said. "His rapid ascent to the bigs is due in no small part to his dedication to improving."

When the Phillies arrived at spring training camp in Clearwater, Fla., the quest for a spot on the major-league rotation started again for Junge. With the team's depth of pitching, there wasn't any urgency for the organization to rush him in the major-leagues.

He started off the 2003 season back with Scranton/Wilkes-Barre, where he could work on location and a new curveball without the do-or-die strain of the majors.

"AAA is a theater in which to fine-tune the little things in a stress-free environment—the little things that become essential when competing at the highest level," Junge said.

He pointed out that the majors focus less on development and more on coming home with another mark in the win column.

"Of course, we learn at every level of the game—and at all points in life—but when there's little or no stress and pressure, and where mistakes are more forgiving, AAA seems to be the place," Junge said.

As it turned out, he'd be taking his learning process back up to the big-league club. After a solid pitching performance on April 3, with the Red Barons, Junge got another call from the Phillies.

The call-up, just three days into the Red Barons' season, took Junge by surprise.

"Getting called back up was unexpected at such an early point in the season," Junge said.

Junge saw another round of major-league action the day after he joined the team in Philadelphia, pitching an inning against the Pirates, giving up a run on two hits. This time around, there was less riding on the appearance.

Last Wednesday night the Phillies, who were manhandling the Braves 16-2, sent Junge in to put the nails in the coffin. He did just that, sitting down three batters in a row on fly balls—one to each outfielder.

His career ERA is now a slick 1.84 in 14.2 innings, and hopefully the Phillies will keep him around a while to let him expand on it.

For now, it can certainly be said that Bucknell's biggest baseball star in almost a half-century is really quite extraordinary.

Whatever way his luck goes over the next few months—or years—Junge will always have one memory he can look back on with the most heartfelt pride. It's not the kind of pride people derive from brilliant statistics or expertly placed pitches—although certainly he will have his share of those memories too.

It's the pride of having ensured, in his own way, that his first pitches were thrown in the presence of those he had lost a year earlier.

"Nobody can take that away from me," Junge said. "No matter if I walk away from the game tomorrow or play for 15 years."

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PHILLIES 4, PIRATES 1: The fill-in Eric Junge pitched five impressive innings for his first major league victory and host Philadelphia beat Pittsburgh.

Pat Burrell hit his 37th homer and Bobby Abreu had a two-run single. The Phillies beat Pittsburgh for the first time in five tries this season.

Junge (1-0) made an emergency start after Brandon Duckworth was unable to pitch because of stiffness in his back. Junge gave up an unearned run on four hits, striking out five and walking four.

Junge was called up from the minors on Tuesday to add depth to the bullpen. He had pitched only once in the majors, giving up a run in one inning of relief.

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Sports Editor

Hogan was a real hero

It's a good thing Ben Hogan wasn't a selfish man.

If he had been, he'd never have thrown himself in front of his wife to shield her from the impact of a Greyhound bus careening towards the couple's Cadillac on a hazy February afternoon in 1949. He'd have still been sitting in the driver's seat when the impact of the bus drove his car's steering wheel through the back of the seat.

All he intended in those final moments before the crushing blow was to save his wife Valerie—his high school sweetheart—from the oncoming peril. As it happened, he saved his own life in the process.

Instead of being killed by his car's steering apparatus, he was lucky enough to wake up in the Hotel Dieu Hospital in El Paso, Texas, with a double fracture of his pelvis, a broken collarbone, a fractured ankle and a broken rib. He survived the first round of trauma to undergo emergency surgery a month later, which tied off the vena cava in his leg so the blood clots that had formed wouldn't reach his lungs and kill him.

If he had been selfish, he wouldn't have had the chance to learn how to walk again, to circle his living room again and again to build up the strength in his painful and faultily circulated legs.

The 5-foot-9-inch golfer, "Bantam" Ben, would have been six feet under when the 1950 Los Angeles Open teed off. Instead, he was there, battered body and all, to shoot a 73 in the first tournament of what would become one of the greatest comebacks in sports history.

If Hogan had thought of himself on Feb. 2, 1949, if he had just braced himself behind the wheel and hoped for the best, the golf world would have missed out on a lot.

It would have been quite a miracle for Hogan to return to his preaccident form, and no one really expected that to be the case. His former self had won the PGA Championship in 1946 and both the U.S. Open and the PGA Championship in 1948. The old Ben Hogan had won 37 tournaments in three years.

Everyone feared the old Hogan, "The Hawk," with his white cap shadowing his fierce gray eyes.

The new Hawk could barely stay on his feet long enough to finish a tournament.

Hogan, never known for his affability, just kept fighting, with his usual quiet intensity, with expectations of being as good as he was before his collision. At least as good, that is.

Sure enough, with 36 holes left in the 1950 U.S. Open, there was Hogan, painful limp and all, two strokes behind the leader. After hitting a par four on his last hole, he'd tied for first. Lloyd Mangrum and George Fazio, with four good legs between the two, couldn't outmatch Hogan's precision.

Less than a year and a half after he had nearly been compacted by a bus, he had won a major tournament.

In 1951, he added another U.S. Open—the third in his career—and a Masters. It became apparent during that year that the speculation may have been right—he wasn't the same golfer as before the accident. He was better.

He was more precise. He was more calculating, more intelligent, more accurate.

Hogan didn't come back from his horrific injuries to be the same player as he had been in the '40s. He came back a better one.

If that wasn't clear before 1953, Hogan made sure it was afterwards. That year was one of the best any golfer has ever had, regardless of the obstacles and adversity that the 41-year-old had stared down in his past.

His success in 1951 was so unexpected that it seemed improbable for his luck to keep up. 1952 hadn't been on a level with his performances the year before. As 1953 rolled around, it seemed that Hogan was slipping. After all, nobody can be that tough.

Nobody except Bantam Ben.

He won the Masters with a 274, shooting rounds of 70, 69, 66 and 69. Staring down his record-tying fourth U.S. Open, Hogan dueled with fellow legend Sam Snead before drawing away from his opponent to win by six shots. He added the British Open, which he won by four strokes.

With his victory in the British Open on a dreary day at Carnoustie, Hogan became the only man to win three majors in a calendar year. It wasn't until 2000 that another golfer—a fellow named Tiger Woods—could manage to do the same.

Hogan might have been the only man to win a Grand Slam in one year, but no story is perfect, and his legs were too weak to withstand the wear and tear of the PGA Championship.

He was keen enough to realize that ahead of time, and he never entered. He ended the year having won five of six tournaments.

Fifty years later, that season stands as one of the best in the history of the game. Maybe the best.

But that's not what he had in mind in 1949 on a road about 200 miles southeast of El Paso, when the massive bus came hurdling at his Caddy, barreling head on into the front of his vehicle. He just wanted to protect his wife, and hurling himself—all 160 pounds—between her and the monster bearing down on them was the best he could do. Luckily for her, luckily for him—luckily for golf—Hogan's selflessness made all the difference.

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The best of March Madness

By Mark Walker
Staff Writer

Every year, the NCAA tournament brings us some of the most thrilling games in all of sports. Listed below are the 10 most exciting games of this year's tournament. As is usually the case, the first weekend of the tournament provided the most exciting games.

No. 10: Kansas (2) vs. Utah State (15)—First Round

Utah State almost became the fifth 15 seed to win an NCAA tournament game, but came up short, 64-61. Kansas led big early in this game, but the Aggies of Utah State refused to give up. Every time Kansas tried to pull away, the Aggies came up with a clutch shot to stay in the game. They needed one more clutch shot down the stretch to prevail. Down by three, Utah State put up two three point tries to tie the game, but neither one found the net. This first round scare served as a wake-up call for Kansas, as they advanced to the national championship game.

No. 9: Missouri (6) vs. Southern Illinois (11)—First Round

Southern Illinois gave Missouri all it could handle, trying to play the role of Cinderella for the second straight year. This game was neck and neck from the opening tip to the final horn. Tied at 71 with less than 10 seconds left, Rickey Paulding of Missouri drove to the lane to try for the go-ahead basket. On the drive, Paulding was fouled by Jermaine Dearman of Southern Illinois. Paulding made one of the two ensuing free throws to give Missouri the lead. As time expired, Kent Williams of Southern Illinois missed what would have been a game-winning three, and Missouri held on 72-71.

No. 8: Kansas (2) vs. Syracuse (3)—National Championship

Syracuse came out on fire in this game, led by the hot three-point shooting of Gerry McNamara. Kansas, trailing by 11 at halftime, would not go down without a fight. Seniors Nick Collison and Kirk Hinrich led the Jayhawks on an impressive late second half run. The seniors brought Kansas from trailing 76-67 with less than four minutes left to trailing by only three with less than a minute left. With Syracuse still up three and only 12 seconds left, Warrick went to the foul line with a chance to seal the championship for the Orangemen. However, Warrick missed both shots, giving Kansas one last opportunity. Michael Lee of Kansas tried a three-pointer with two seconds left, but Warrick emphatically rejected it out of bounds, giving the Jayhawks one more shot with 1.5 seconds left. Hinrich put up a prayer at the buzzer, but the shot was way off, and Syracuse prevailed 81-78.

No. 7: Mississippi State (5) vs. Butler (12)—First Round

The Butler Bulldogs were this year's Cinderella team. Butler's improbable run to the Sweet Sixteen started with a thrilling victory over Mississippi State. With Mississippi State up by one, Brandon Miller drove to the basket and converted, giving the Bulldogs a 47-46 lead. Timmy Bowers put up one last three-point attempt for Mississippi State at the buzzer, but could not convert.

No. 6: St. Joseph's (7) vs. Auburn (10)—First Round

Jameer Nelson, who had 32 points on the day, was placed in one of the most nerve-wracking situations possible in all of sports. With his Hawks of St. Joseph's down by two with less than a second left, Nelson was on the line with two foul shots. Needing to hit them both to force overtime, Nelson converted. In overtime, the Hawks jumped out to a quick four-point lead, but could not hold on. Auburn came back and secured a 65-63 victory.

No. 5: Notre Dame (5) vs. Wisconsin-Milwaukee (12)—First Round

Dylan Page of Wisconsin-Milwaukee probably has the worst memory of this year's NCAA tournament than any other player involved. With Notre Dame leading 70-69, Wisconsin-Milwaukee had the ball and opted to hold for the last shot. Clay Tucker drove the lane as time ran down and dished the ball to Page when he ran into a herd of Notre Dame players. Page was wide open for the game-winning lay up, but could not convert, allowing the Fighting Irish to advance.

No. 4: California (8) vs. North Carolina St. (9)—First Round

This tightly contested game featured one of the greatest flurries of action in NCAA history. With California up 73-71 with less than 15 seconds left in overtime, Scooter Sherrill hit a three-pointer for NC State to give them a 74-73 lead. Then, wasting no time, Cal took off down the court and Richard Midgley nailed a three-pointer with 3.9 seconds left. Sherrill sprinted down the court and put up one last shot, but could not convert and Cal advanced with a 76-74 victory.

No. 3: Maryland (6) vs. UNC-Wilmington (11)—First Round

This first round match-up brought us the single greatest shot of this year's tournament. The defending national champions were trailing 73-72 following two clutch foul shots by Aaron Coombs of UNC-Wilmington. Maryland put the ball in the hands of Drew Nicholas to keep its hopes of defending its title alive. As time expired, Nicholas threw up an off-balance shot from the right corner. Miraculously, the shot found nothing but net and Maryland lived another day with an exhilarating 75-73 victory.

No. 2: Wisconsin (5) vs. Tulsa (13)—Second Round

Upset-minded Tulsa came up one basket short of advancing to the Sweet Sixteen. Tulsa led 58-45 with just 4 minutes 8 seconds to play. Wisconsin, refusing to give up, stormed back and cut Tulsa's lead to two with 48 seconds left. Then, after a shot clock violation on Tulsa, Wisconsin could hold for the last shot. Freddie Owens was given the ball for Wisconsin to try to avoid the upset. With one tick left on the clock, Owens buried a three-pointer, capping an amazing comeback by the Wisconsin Badgers.

No. 1: Arizona (1) vs. Gonzaga (9)—Second Round

No game in this year's tournament was anywhere close to th excitement that was felt during the second round match-up between perennial Cinderella, Gonzaga, and perennial favorite, Arizona. With Arizona up 78-76 near the end of regulation, Blake Stepp of Gonzaga missed an attempt at a go-ahead three-pointer. The rebound fell right into the hands of teammate Tony Skinner, who hit a game-tying shot as time expired. In the first overtime, with the score tied at 89, Stepp had another chance at a game-winning shot at the buzzer, but could not get the shot to fall. In double overtime, with Arizona up 96-95, Skinner missed a three pointer with four seconds left. Again, Gonzaga got a fortuitous rebound, as Skinner's miss landed right in Stepp's hands, five feet from the basket. Stepp put up the game-deciding shot, but it did not fall, and Arizona prevailed 96-95. Many Gonzaga players collapsed to the floor showing their devastation, although they certainly could not be ashamed of their performance.

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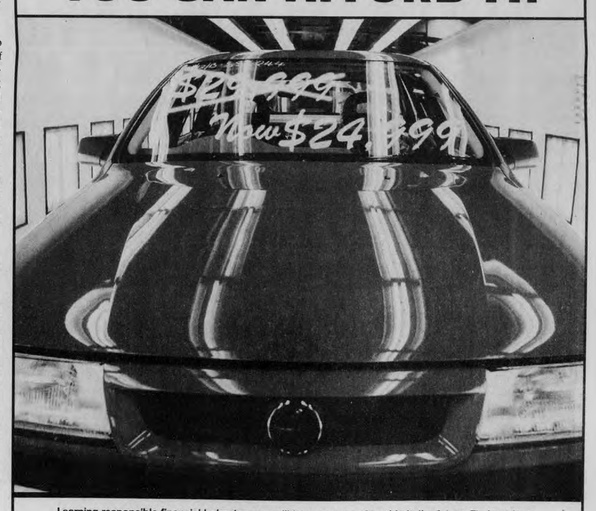

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the second quarter before they scored five straight and eight of the next nine to take a commanding 11-3 lead.

"Our midfield is all seniors so they know how to get it done," Jamieson said. "They have significantly helped us this year."

Next up for the Bison is a critical game against Army. The Bison, who were picked to win the League with Hobart this year, have already gotten by Hobart, and now have the next biggest test of the year as Army was picked not far behind and tied the Bison and Hobart for the League Championship last year.

"Army is always good even if they don't have skill level that their opponents do," Sussman said. "They always fight as hard as they can and they're in great shape, so it's going to be a tough one."

Before this year's seniors came to the program the Bison were 1-16 in the last 17 matchups against Army, but these seniors have yet to lose to them. This game has even more implications for the seniors who can become the University's all-time most winning class with a win this weekend.

"We're not going to do a lot of mysterious stuff against Army, we're just going to make a few adjustments. Our team knows how huge this game is and we match up great," Jamieson said.

The Bison are treating this game like a play-in game to the NCAA Tournament, but in reality the team could still gain a berth with a loss. Even so, that isn't something going through the minds of the players who are out to win every game.

"With the senior leadership that we have we're going into every game hungry," Sussman said. "It's important that we go in there with a chip on our shoulders because we still have something to prove."

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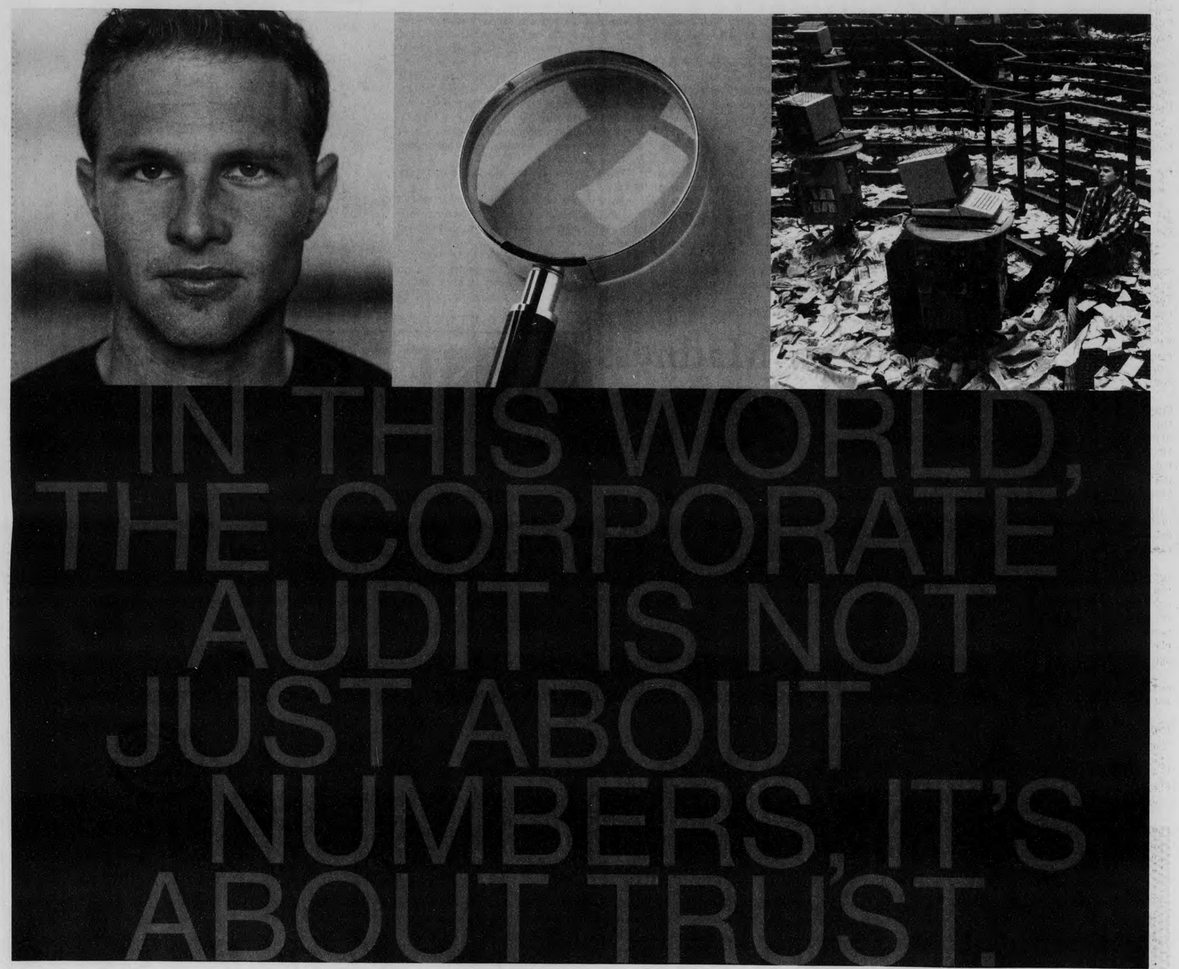

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Bison reach 3-2 in P.L. with Holy Cross split

By Michelle Martin
Feature Layout Editor

The softball team dropped to 3-18 on the season as they lost 4-6 to Holy Cross on March 30 before rain washed out the second game of their scheduled doubleheader. Strong hitting, especially from Meredith Gill '03, propelled the Bison to a 3-0 lead after the top of the fourth inning. The Crusaders came back within one in the bottom of the fourth, before tacking on three more runs in the fifth to take a lead they never relinquished. Gill hit four-for-four in the contest, and the Bison enjoyed doubles from both Gill and Lauren Wible '06, as well as four stolen bases. The defense could not stop the barrage of Holy Cross runs late in the game. Julie Williams '06 went the distance, pitching a complete game while giving up 10 hits.

The Bison won 2-0 over the Crusaders in the nightcap of Saturday's doubleheader to win their first Patriot League game. The game remained scoreless until the top of the sixth inning, when Angela Stackhouse '04 struck for a single and was scored on a sacrifice fly by Kris Devore '06. The Orange and Blue struck for an insurance run in the top of the seventh on a Stackhouse double that brought in Kristen Potts '04, who reached base on a single. The defense stepped up in the game to keep the Crusaders from ruining the Bison lead. Hurler Kelli Haskins '05 pitched seven shutout innings while only giving up five hits and one walk.

Earlier in the day, Bucknell dropped a 2-1 decision. Gill smashed the first home run of the season for the Bison in her first at-bat, giving the team a 1-0 lead. Holy Cross knotted the game at one in the bottom of the fifth inning and tacked on one more in the sixth. The Bison could not get a break from the Crusader defense and were held scoreless the rest of the game.

On March 27, the Orange and Blue dropped a doubleheader to St. Francis (Pa.). In the nightcap of the series, Bucknell struck for one run in the first inning when Wible hit a two-out double down the left field line to score Gill, who had reached on an error and was sacrificed to second base. The score stayed 1-0 until the top of the fourth, when the Red Flash tied it up and went on to score two more runs in the seventh. The Bison started a mini rally, as Alyssa Schneebaum '06 and Jenny Ross '05 hit singles to start off the inning. St. Francis forced Bucknell into two fielder's choices before a strikeout ended the game.

The Bison lost 6-1 earlier in the day after an early scoring deficit. St. Francis jumped out to a 3-0 lead after two innings of play, and held Bucknell to no hits until the sixth inning. In the sixth, Schneebaum hit a leadoff single to center field, but could not score as a result of a double play. The Bison finally got on the board in the bottom of the seventh, but it was too late. Stackhouse led off the seventh with a single and Gill scored her on a two-out double. Runners were on first and third before the Red Flash got the last Bison hitter to strike out swinging.

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Kris Devore '06 (above) went 1-3 in a recent game against Lafayette.

Tennis sweeps St. Mary's

By Pat Evans
Sports Editor

The Bison women's tennis team dropped a 4-2 decision to Colgate but got back on track beating Towson 7-0. Earlier in the week the team swept Mount St. Mary's 7-0. The men's team got on the winning track after dropping matches to American 6-0 and Navy 7-0, beating Mount St. Mary's 6-1 and Towson 7-0.

Against Colgate, Nadezda Curcic '05 and Veronica Brown '06 got things started with a win at number one doubles 8-4. Tanya Sichko '05 and Rheanna Gaskin '04 followed with a 9-8 (5) win over at the second flight to secure the doubles point for the Bison.

Brown was the sole winner for the Bison in singles play winning 6-2, 6-1, which was not enough to capture the win.

"Colgate is always one of the strongest teams in doubles, so I was surprised we won that," Head Coach Rebecca Helt said. "Maybe we went into singles play overly excited and Colgate was ready to play and they won, which was disappointing."

The women got back on focus, sweeping Towson and losing only one set in the process.

"We played just about flawless tennis," Helt said. "We stayed motivated and strong in the head and didn't let the Colgate loss bring us down, which was really good to see."

Earlier in the week the women's team didn't lose a set en route to a 7-0 drubbing of Mount St. Mary's.

Being a young team, the men's team has struggled all year, having to play a lot of players at levels at which they normally wouldn't compete. After being swept earlier in the week by both Navy and American their record was a dismal 1-13. The team finally responded this week, picking up wins against Mount St. Mary's and Towson.

"It felt good to pick up those wins. I think they'll give us a confidence booster for us the rest of the season," said Nick Denefrio '05 who teamed up with Gerald DiChiara '05 in doubles play in both of the Bison wins.

Denefrio also won both of his singles matches in the wins at the No. 1 spot.

"Our team knew coming into this season that 95 percent of their losses would be against teams that they were not strong enough to beat, so that they would be challenged to be a whole new team next year," Denefrio said.

The Bison still have a few league matches that they are focusing on winning before this year is over. Helt would like to see the Bison beat Lehigh, a team she thinks they have a shot at competing with.

The men are slated to host Army at noon tomorrow, while the women's match this Tuesday against UMBC was postponed. Their next match is at 3 p.m. Thursday at Villanova.

Courtesy of Athletic Communications

Suzanne Raffaele '03 (above) led the team in scoring last year with 37.

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In the last 5 minutes and 36 seconds, Dusquesne managed to score five goals. Paraud snuck in her second goal of the day with 3:25 left to move the Bison's total to 10, but it was not enough to thwart the Dukes' momentous rally.

In the last 3:10 of the game, Bucknell saw its 10-8 lead vanish as Dusquesne fired off three straight scores, the last with 41 seconds left on the clock.

Both teams had 25 shots in the game, and the Bison actually got off more shots (13) in the second half than they had in their high-scoring first half (12).

The team will try to restart its winning streak at Colgate on tomorrow. The Bison hope to improve their Patriot League record, which stands at 2-2, when they square off at noon against Colgate.

Bison defense performs well

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Phil has been doing a great job all year."

The Bison gave the ball to Futrick to close out the win. Futrick allowed one run, but snuffed out the Midshipmen's effort when he struck out the final two batters.

The Bison squared off with Navy for another doubleheader on April 6, losing a one-run contest and then coming back for a victory in the series finale.

Both teams were quiet against dominating pitching efforts throughout the first game on Sunday, as the two teams combined for just four hits. The Bison's lone run came in the sixth inning when Hirschberg blasted a solo home run to center field for his fifth round-tripper of the season.

Bucknell's defensive precision slipped a bit in the game, as the Bison committed three errors that led to two unearned runs. Despite taking the loss, co-captain Zach Allen '06 pitched a gem, giving up just one hit, two bases on balls and no earned runs in his six innings of work.

Allen delivered one of many superb performances that contributed to the team effort. He was impressed by his team's ability to put everything together all weekend.

"We knew going into the series that it was going to be a battle throughout, but we came together to play one of the best series that I have ever been a part of," Allen said. "Our pitching staff was great and our hitting was very timely."

The second game of the day saw the Bison shut out Navy to seal their third win of the series. The team's pitching was once again a crucial factor in the victory, as Kevin Burns '03 and Futrick combined to shut out the Midshipmen 2-0.

Burns went six innings, allowing six hits and striking out three while holding Navy scoreless en route to earning his third win of the season. Futrick pitched a hitless seventh inning to earn his sixth save of the season.

Burns was enthusiastic about the message that the team's series sent to future competitors.

"This past weekend against Navy showed the rest of the league that we can be a force that cannot be taken lightly," Burns said. "We also had some timely hitting and solid defense, which contributed to our overall success."

The Bison offense scored all the runs they needed in the second and third innings.

In the second inning, Ben Krentzman '03 reached first on a third-strike wild pitch and then scored when Walter knocked a single to left field.

Stoll led off the third with a single, stole second and then advanced to third base on a sacrifice ground out by Moss. A Day single scored Stoll and gave the Bison a 2-0 lead, which remained for the rest of the game.

The game was an excellent finish to a memorable series for Bison pitching. Ciccione was impressed by the performance.

"Our pitching staff asserted itself as being the best in the Patriot League by overwhelming the defending league champions for four straight games," Ciccione said. "This was the most dominating performance I have seen in my six years in the league. It began with Kevin Miller's first pitch of the first game and lasted until Futrick struck out the final hitter."

Ciccione hopes the Bison get a chance to utilize the depth of the bullpen in future games, as well, since only Futrick got a chance to work out of the pen against Navy.

"We have 13 great pitchers, but we only were able to use five this weekend," Ciccione said. "There are some tremendous arms not getting the innings they deserve."

The five Bison pitchers used over the weekend combined to pitch 29 innings, allowing only three earned runs and striking out 24. Depew was thrilled with the numbers put up by the staff.

"The Navy series was highlighted by some of the best pitching we have ever gotten in a league series," Depew said. "We gave up only 18 hits for a .173 Bating average and struck out 24 while walking seven. Our pitching staff performed and competed at the highest level."

Depew also mentioned the importance of the team's outstanding defense and efficient offense.

"We played very solid defense except for the first game on Sunday," Depew said. "We executed well on the base path with some crucial stolen bases and put runners in scoring position with successful sacrifice bunts."

The weekend increased the Bison's league record to 6-2, while it improved their overall record to 14-7. After only 21 games, the Bison have already equalled the number of league wins they had during the entire 2002 season.

Ciccione knows the team will need to stay on track over the remainder of the season.

"We need to stay focused for the remaining 12 games to assure ourselves of the post-season," Ciccione said. "But with the mental makeup of this team, I don't think they plan on letting up."

The team hopes to continue its winning trend when it faces off against Patriot League foe Lehigh on Saturday and Sunday. The series consists of two doubleheaders at Lehigh, both starting at noon.

Grant expects an intense series.

"We're looking forward to taking care of some unfinished business at Lehigh this weekend," Grant said. "They beat us badly last year and decided to celebrate on our home field. We have all the motivation we need to go in there and get the job done."

Ciccione agrees on the need for revenge.

"Lehigh took it to us last year and showed us up on our home field," Ciccione said. "It's time for redemption."

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Arts & Entertainment

The art of Andersson

Courtesy of Christianne Andersson

Associate Professor and Chair of the Art Department Christianne Andersson takes on a full plate with extensive responsibilities in America and Europe. After teaching at colleges and universities in the United States and abroad, as well as working at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, Andersson has now been at Bucknell University for the past five years.

LEAH CUNNINGHAM
Arts & Entertainment Editor

Born in Germany, Christianne Andersson came to America at age 3 and spent her years in America and Europe, where she has taught at prestigious institutions and traveled for fellowships, exhibitions and guest lectures. Now a professor of art and art history and chair of the art department at Bucknell, Andersson continues her dedication and enthusiasm for the arts.

Immersed in both travel and the arts for as long as she can remember, Andersson first came to America when her father took a job as conductor of the New Orleans Opera. Andersson even sang in the children's opera chorus.

"It was very exciting for my father to be conductor of the New Orleans Opera, because, of course, I loved music, and it was a lot of fun," Andersson said. "I sang in all of the children's roles in operas while in New Orleans including 'La Boheme' and 'Carmen.' There were sections when just the children would sing on stage, and as I got older, I was able to sing with the regular chorus."

Andersson credits her parents as her role models. She said her mother's full-time working responsibilities as head of the music library at Tulane University was an important example for her.

Andersson grew up with an older and a younger brother, and spoke French and German at home.

"It was a different experience to grow up in a house where two different languages are spoken. My parents spoke German and I went to a private school where I learned French," Andersson said.

Receiving her Bachelor of Arts degree in art history as an undergraduate at Tulane, Andersson was able to spend her junior and senior years abroad in Paris. She continued her education by completing three years of graduate work at Stanford University, where she received her Ph.D. in art history, and then wrote her dissertation in Basel, Switzerland. While a graduate at Stanford, Andersson had a Swiss dissertation adviser, Professor Forster, who helped find and encourage a Swiss topic. Forster later became Director of the Getty Research Institute in Los Angeles.

Still in Switzerland, Andersson's first job was teaching art history at Columbia University, where she worked with undergraduate and graduate students for nine years.

"It must have been sheer talent or something," Andersson said about landing the job. "I gave a lecture at a professional conference and a lot of people talked about that lecture and it attracted a lot of attention. I was looking for a position, and at that point, I still lived in Switzerland."

Not staying put in one place for too long, Andersson then took up a job as curator of old master paintings at the Staedel Museum in Frankfurt, Germany, from 1986-1995.

"I thought I would enjoy working very directly with works of art, and the museum wanted me to write and research the scholarly catalog of a group of paintings. In a way, it was like a research job. It was staking out new terrain, finding out things people didn't know yet," Andersson said.

Andersson said that one of the downfalls of that job was the fact that the museum did not have the funding for the kind of work they were asking her to do. By applying for grants, the museum finally received the J. Paul Getty Grant, but Andersson was ready to come back to

"If you really devote yourself with something that you are completely fascinated with, you will wind up having a very intense, but very fulfilled life. You work like a dog—but you love it!"

—Christianne Andersson, associate professor of art

the United States.

The extensive traveling and moving from country to country did not wear out Andersson. She was always looking for new projects and challenges.

"I grew up with two languages and visiting relatives in Germany as a child, so I've always grown up on two continents. It's not much of a transition. I felt at home wherever I was because I was used to traveling so much," Andersson said.

When Andersson returned to the United States, she became the Robert Sterling Clark Professor at Williams College Graduate Program in art history in Williamstown, Mass., for one year, where she specialized in Northern Renaissance art. After this year, Andersson reached the peak of her career with a fellowship at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in 1996 where she lived in a high-rise apartment right on Bleaker Street.

"The fellowship enabled me to work on a project on the prints and drawings of an artist, Barthel Beham. Imagine having an office in the Met and going every day and talking to incredibly smart, well-educated people. Working on the inside as opposed to just visiting ... it's a whole other story," Andersson said.

In January of 1997, Andersson's travels brought her to Bucknell University as the Samuel H. Kress Professor of Art History. She teaches Renaissance and Baroque art, Museum Studies, all aspects of the history of prints and drawings, a foundation seminar on Portraits, and a capstone called "Renaissance Women," among other courses.

"What I like most [about teaching at Bucknell] is the really intense contact between students and professors, and the opportunities that I have to work with students, like different projects," Andersson said.

Faculty admire her work and passion for teaching.

"I so admire the way Professor Andersson has her students curate art exhibits with existing art works from either Bucknell's art collection or borrowed from other collections. In their hands-on process of creating art exhibits for the Bucknell community, her students become articulate in their understanding and appreciation of artists and their creative works," Associate Professor of Theatre Bob Gainer said.

Students in Andersson's print seminar recently opened an exhibition in the Samek Art Gallery where students studied the art gallery's collections of prints and chose prints they were really interested in to research.

"Professor Andersson frequently engages her students with the Samek Art Gallery. Her students regularly study the Kress Study Collection, temporary exhibitions and visiting artists and scholars. Last fall, she taught a Prints and Popular Culture course. She and students spent many hours researching some of the gallery's many prints. This led to the exhibition 'Exquisite Images: Historic and Contemporary Prints from the Permanent Collection,'" Director of the Samek Art Gallery Dan Mills said. "This is something I am especially pleased with. If you think the gallery is a lab and the collection as a research field, the print exhibition could be a model for future student research projects."

Students appreciated the innovative print exhibition project as well.

"Each student was to take a couple of the prints and research [them] for the rest of the semester, and Professor Andersson was very helpful because she went to the Met to find out information on the art, and helped with our research," Andrew Rheingrover '04 said.

Andersson's colleagues and students are impressed with not only her work, but also her dedication, depth of understanding and support for the arts.

"Christianne has a finely chiseled intellectual appreciation of art and literature, but more importantly, she embodies her intuitive grasp of light, form and meaning in a deeply passionate fashion. Of course, to me this vitality is central to our sensibilities, literally," friend and Associate Professor of Biology Kathleen Page said. "Christianne and I have pondered the possibility that the way we perceive the subtleties of our daily experience ultimately translates into an expression of our life force. Being threads itself through these sensory experiences and no one weave is shared by another. This conversation fascinates us and we continue to meet it, often along that fracture line between the analytic and the sensual."

Aside from her many accomplishments—from serving on the Board of Advisers for the Center for Advanced Study in the Visual Arts at the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C., to being the Art History Discipline Representative to the Renaissance Society of America and just returning from their annual conference in Toronto and her countless teaching efforts and responsibilities—Andersson still manages to give lectures around the country.

"I've learned what I can do and know what I can manage in so much time," Andersson said about her frequent lectures. "The more you have learned and read and taught, you have this huge background of knowledge to fall back on. You build up on that all the time."

With her travel, lectures and experiences in researching, teaching and passion for all areas of the arts, Andersson continues to lead an enriching life grounded in ambition.

"If you really devote yourself with something that you are completely fascinated with, you will wind up having a very intense, but very fulfilled life," Andersson said. "You work like a dog—but you love it!"

Hotwire does not fall into same old routine with its new release

Courtesy of RCA Records

Hard-rock/heavy-metal group Hotwire, which first signed with RCA records, band members (right to left) Gabe Garcia, Chris Strauser, Rus Martin and Brain Borg will play in the 2003 Ozzfest.

BY JOSH HERWITT
Staff Writer

❖ MUSIC PREVIEW

Over the past few years, the hard-rock/heavy-metal industry has continued to produce new, talented artists that have become big names in the music world.

With its debut album "The Routine" to be released by RCA, which produced many of the top artists—incubus, Linkin Park and Hoobastank—May 6, Hotwire has the hard-hitting capabilities to make a large impact on rock music and its loyal followers.

As one of the newest rock projects hailing from the greater part of Los Angeles, Hotwire uses melodic, harmonious lyrics fused with a steady beat and heavy, edgy guitar riffs to capture fans and listeners.

The band—Rus Martin (vocals/guitar), Gabe Garcia (guitar), Brain Borg (drums), and Chris Strauser (bass)—formed in 1999 in Thousand Oaks, Calif., and soon began composing and writing. In late 2000, Hotwire signed with RCA and recorded a self-titled four-song extended play record (EP) that summer. With the EP finding a wide rock audience, Hotwire went on the road to tour for seven months with groups including Dillinger Escape Plan, Hoobastank, Poison The Well, Wu-Tang Clan and Injected.

In October 2002, Hotwire began planning to record its full-length debut, using Matt Hyde to produce at Los Angeles' legendary Sound City. With the hard-metal sounds in songs like "Invisible" and "Neuro Girl" to the distorted neo-punk sounds of "Tweaked," Hotwire's members combine mixture of contained and unleashed to express the alienation, desperation and hypocrisy of their suburban upbringings. The album features 12 hardcore, intense and hostile tracks of metal fused with punk influences.

Hotwire confirmed that it will play for this summer's eighth annual Ozzfest. The band will be performing on the second stage with Cradle of Filth, Trust Company, Shadows Fall, Killswitch Engage, Finger Eleven, Grade 8, Twisted Method, Unloco and Memento throughout the tour, which starts in San Antonio, Texas, and concludes in West Palm Beach, Fla. The main stage will feature Korn, Marilyn Manson, Disturbed, Ozzy and Chevelle. Hotwire will also be joining Nothingface on tour before the two groups play at the Ozzfest 2003 festivities.

Ticheli strikes up the band

BY JULIANNA PIETAK
Senior Writer

❖ CONCERT REVIEW

The University Symphonic Band presented the music and style of renowned composer and guest conductor Frank Ticheli in its concert Friday night in the Weis Center for the Performing Arts.

The night's program included Frank Ticheli compositions "Postcard," "Simple Gifts: Four Shaker Songs," "Loch Lomond" and "Blue Shades."

"I enjoy whatever I'm doing at the time. Every piece is different in what you can experience, we can go to places that words alone can't take us to," Ticheli said about his composing style.

This is reflected in the quality of his work, as well as the inspiration behind it.

The first quick and harmonically interesting piece, "Postcard," played with irregular musical rhythms and a unique sharpness of timbre and harmony. According to Ticheli, its vivaciousness reflects the life of his friend's mother, for whom the piece was composed.

"'Postcard' was commissioned by my dear and personal friend H. Robert Reynolds at the University of Michigan," Ticheli said at the concert. "He called me the day after his mother died and asked me to write a piece. He didn't want an elegy though, he wanted a celebration of her life. He described his mother as short and energetic, so that's how I wrote the piece."

This brief vivacity was not the only characteristic absorbed by the piece from the life of this woman.

"The Reynolds family had a habit of having palindromic names, so the whole piece is based on a palindrome," Ticheli said. "Harrah is the 'H' in H. Robert Reynold's, so I put this in the middle of the piece. I also put in his mother's name, Ethel."

The influences used for the next set of works on the program were from a different source, but still obvious and profound. "Simple Gifts: Four Shaker Songs" is a set of old American pieces arranged for band. Since this was an arrangement, Ticheli strove to stay true to their original style and form.

"I loved the simplicity of the original melodies, so I stayed really direct in my music, and never pretentious," Ticheli said.

The simplicity reflected in the clean, lyrical sound experimented with different instruments playing simple and familiar tunes.

"Loch Lomond," the third Ticheli piece performed, was also an arrangement and held true to its original style with its slow, long phrasing and rich, deep cover of sound. In an interesting cultural and musical twist, Ticheli juxtaposed this traditional Scottish tune with the most famous of Irish tunes, "Danny Boy," to end his arrangement.

Ticheli's "Blue Shades" ended the program with its jazz-inspired sound. This piece was originally commissioned by over 30 bands, each with their own capacity of experience and ability. According to Ticheli, "Blue Shades" is a compromise of these abilities.

"I decided to write a piece that would leave the less experienced players in the dust, but would let them have fun trying," Ticheli said.

In the band's performance of this fun and challenging piece, Dan Sitomer '03 gave a talented performance of Ticheli's bluesy clarinet solo.

Also on the evening's program were the Spanish sounding "El Camino Real" and the marching-band-like "Gallop," both composed by Alfred Reed. Morton Gould's "Yankee Doodle" rendered the familiar tune comically.

Ticheli sincerely enjoyed his time as guest conductor.

"I've really enjoyed the faculty members here and their positive attitude. It is wonderful to be around people who have such a genuine love of music," Ticheli said.

Those in the audience genuinely loved Ticheli's music.

"I really enjoyed Ticheli's pieces—especially his use of scoring and color," Katie Pulumbo '04 said.

Ticheli also liked his experience with the students involved in the symphonic band. "These past rehearsals we've had to do a lot of work, so it's been in that setting, but we've had a lot of fun too," Ticheli said.

Ticheli seemed able to look over the work involved in this technique.

"I'm in the business of making beautiful things," Ticheli said. "Technique is not the ends, but the means."

After Friday night's concert, Ticheli plans to travel through England and Florida doing guest engagements there as well. As a conductor and composer, he was able to make his love of music something nearly tangible for the audience.

Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian

The University Symphonic Band performed Friday with pieces by Frank Ticheli. Compositions included "Postcard," "Simple Gifts: Four Shaker Songs," "Loch Lomond" and "Blue Shades."

Arts & Entertainment

A slammin' Saturday at the 7th St. Café

BY MELINDA KUMMER
Arts & Entertainment Editor

Coffee and poetry—to some a snoozer, to others the preferred Saturday night activity. While some people may be getting slammed, a select group of poets is getting their slam on. At 8 p.m., the University's slam master, Aaron DeRosa '03, will host the fourth and final installment of the slam poetry series at 7th Street Café. Featuring the 1999 National Individual Slam Champion Roger Bonair-Agard, the slam will also include an open mic portion and student competitions.

Bonair-Agard has a laundry list of accomplishments and boasts appearances on the HBO series "Russell Simmons Presents Def Poetry," the "MacNeile/Lehrer NewsHour" and CBS' "60 Minutes." A native of Trinidad and Tobago, Bonair-Agard travels throughout the country teaching workshops, giving lectures and reading for the louderARTS project which he co-founded—otherwise, he calls Brooklyn home.

Christina Macmillan '05 has assisted DeRosa in the planning of the series.

"The professional poets definitely help to make the slams as entertaining as they are, but I want to stress the fact that it is the student and faculty participation that really makes them special. Without [the students'] enthusiasm and support, there would be nothing," Macmillan said.

The student competition remains a favorite with the student body.

"I am so psyched for this weekend's poetry slam," Charissa Reimer '05 said. "I thoroughly enjoyed the talent that came out in the last one I attended, and I'm excited to see what the slammers come up with this time."

The attraction stems from the art form's accessibility.

"I find poetry slams to be an addiction—once you go to one, you can't stop. Slams are so accessible that you can find them anywhere in the country, and it has truly made me so happy to see them here at Bucknell," Macmillan said.

Wannabe slammers can still sign up for the open mic portion at the door. Sign ups will begin at 7:45 p.m.

The competition will comprise of individuals or teams in a three round competition. Prizes will be awarded and the name of the winner enshrined on the Slam Hammer, a slam tradition. The Slam is supported by the slam Committee, Activities and Campus Events, FLAGBT and the Association for the Arts.

"We joke about living in the 'bubble' but it's true in a lot of ways. To having something so edgy and contemporary here at BU is amazing, and the fact that the entire campus is supportive of the events is even more wonderful to me," Macmillan said.

Who can find a good woman?

BY KRISTI JOHNSTON
Senior Writer

After more than a year of planning, the University Theatre and Dance Department will present the Bertolt Brecht classic "The Good Woman of Setzuan," featuring a cast of 27 and an original score, at 8 p.m. April 11–14 in the Harvey Powers Theatre.

"The Good Woman of Setzuan" presents the story of a woman torn between her desire to be honorable and the realities of life.

"Three gods come down from heaven in search of a truly good person and discover Shen Te the prostitute is the only one worthy of being called virtuous," Associate Professor of Theater Robert Gainer said. The gods decide to reward her selflessness.

"They reward her with gold, which she uses to buy a tobacco shop. Immediately she becomes a victim of parasites, because in her goodness she cannot refuse help to the less fortunate. In order to survive, she impersonates an imaginary, ruthless male cousin," Gainer said.

This begins a struggle between the two sides of human nature. The play raises the question of how to remain virtuous when the world requires a degree of ruthlessness to survive.

Brecht wrote the play in 1941, a time marked by conflict and fear. The issues raised within the play, especially poignant for Brecht during this period, are still resonate today.

"The world makes it hard to be good," Gainer said. "The question is as relevant today as it ever was. This is a universal human predicament."

The production will feature an original score by Ashi Day '04. Day's compositions include songs for performance by the cast and incidental music. She also serves as an assistant stage manager.

"I read through the script first," Day said of her creative process. "Then whatever came to me I put into music. I tried to find what was appropriate for the characters."

Day praised the actors and crew for their ability to bring her music to life.

"The most difficult part was putting everything together—figuring out the logistics," Day said.

Gainer looks forward to the intertwining of the story and Day's music. He believes that the score will support Brecht's purpose for the play. He also notes that the production will feature the use of multimedia equipment.

"Brecht wanted the audience to be enchanted by the play, but he also wanted to make them think," Gainer said.

Tickets for the play are $6 and can be purchased at the Campus Box Office, the Weis Center Box Office or at the door.

Jaclyn Carr—The Bucknellian

Adam Hargus '03 and Paola Grande '05 rehearse for opening of "The Good Women of Setzuan." The student production features an original music score composed by Ashi Day '04. Tickets can be purchased this week.

Flashback to shadows for Silhouettes

BY MELINDA KUMMER
Arts & Entertainment Editor

Mariah Carey, Billy Joel and U2 will find themselves sharing a stage while the a cappella vocal stylings of the Silhouettes perform in an annual concert. In efforts to promote their new realease "Shadows of Our Former Selves," the Silhouettes, the University's all female a cappella group, will sing in Rooke Chapel tonight.

The group enjoys singing together and is especially excited about the debut of its new album. Rachel Tooley '06, a new member of the Silhouettes, encourages students to come hear new songs.

"The group we have now is so talented and we all have similar goals in what we want to put out there," Tooley said. "I love singing with them because it's completely different from any other singing opportunities on campus, and we all have so much fun."

Besides having fun, the Silhouettes have focused on increasing their musical quality as well.

"Everyone in the group is incredibly talented, and brings so much to our organization. Some of us are in the music department, while others have all different majors, but we all love to sing and to perform!" Silhouettes member Kim Hallman '04 said.

Slated to be a fun concert, Hallman explained the draw for the concert.

"Our CD turned out spectacularly, and we can't wait to release it. Also, we have some alumni coming back for the concert, and a great guest group who will be performing," Hallman said. "We've put a lot of effort into our songs, and into the planning of the concert, and we're just so excited to perform new material, especially in a space as acoustically-fantastic as the chapel!"

Tooley echoed her sentiments.

"We've been working really hard to put together a great show. We have a bunch of new songs to debut as well as some skits and CD giveaways for in between. We are also excited to have a guest group from James Madison University join us," Tooley said.

Tickets are $5 and are on sale all week in the LC (cash or BU ID) and at the door. Copies of the new CD, "Shadows of Our Former Selves" can be purchased tonight for $15.

Costner creates commotion

Photos courtesy of Donna Glass

Famous Hollywood actor Kevin Costner and his daughter Annie are spotted while touring the University campus. Costner willingly stopped to sign autographs, talk with students and faculty and even posed for pictures. Some students brought out videotapes to document Costner's guest appearance.

BY MELINDA KUMMER
Arts & Entertainment Editor

❖ GOSSIP COLUMN

Shrieks echoed in Bostwick Cafeteria as Kevin Costner's hunky body, topped with a comb-over, sauntered through on a tour of our humble university. His daughter, a prospective student touring the University, accompanied him on his walk.

Female students and middle-aged female staffers followed him as though he were the Pied Piper or leather pants on sale for $20. In a desperate attempt to give their lives meaning, they thrust pens, papers and body parts to be signed in front of the actor as they strove to walk on his field of dreams. Some people were willing to dance with wolves just to catch a glimpse.

Black turtleneck and sunglasses could not hide his identity as word spread throughout the campus of his presence in a little over five minutes. Public Safety officers escorted the celebrity as they tried to restrain the growing posse.

Digital pictures soon flew from inbox to inbox—all capturing the recognizable profile. These mementos left women wishing their name was Maid Marion and that he was wearing green tights.

Let's just hope the University hit a hole in one as it courted that tin cup.

Farrell's "Phone Booth" a hang-up

BY DAVID MERIN
Writer

❖ MOVIE REVIEW

Colin Farrell's new movie "Phone Booth," a sniper thriller originally set to be released last fall, was only recently released after the Washington, D.C., sniper crisis found closure. After watching the movie, I argue that real-life snipers are sadly enough much more interesting and terrifying.

The story begins in the busy, cell-phone clogged, streets of New York with a glimpse into the life of Stu Shepard (Farrell), a superficial, self-absorbed, small-time media consultant.

The plots starts to pique interest when Shepard takes off his wedding ring and steps into a phone booth to call a pretty young girl who just moved to the city from Montana. After Shepard unsuccessfully tries to set up a meeting time at a nearby hotel, the phone rings.

Shepard picks up the phone. He is soon informed that the man on the other end of the telephone is a sniper with his sights set on Shepard. If Shepard hangs up or doesn't do as the sniper wants, he will be shot. The sniper demonstrates his power and then, after a series of interesting run-ins with the local prostitutes, the cops arrive on the scene, creating a media frenzy.

From this point on you just count the minutes until the movie ends. Director Joel Schumacher fails to create the tension and fear necessary to sustain an edge-of-your-seat real-time thriller like this movie was supposed to be. Believe me, there are better things to spend your $7 on than this movie revolving around a telephone booth.

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Arts & Entertainment

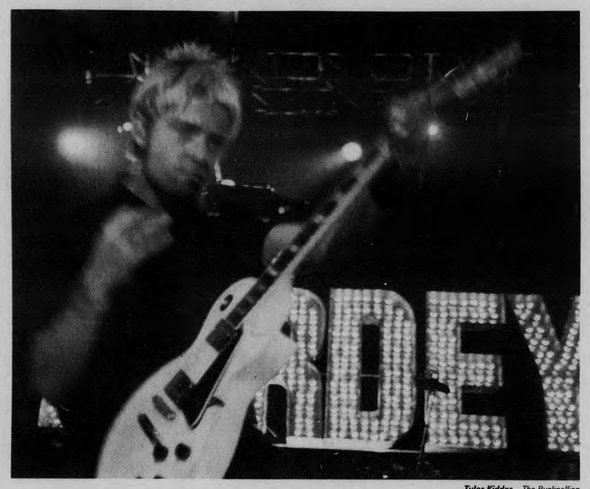
G-Love & Special Sauce gives Third Eye Blind a good taste

By Chad Flood
Senior Writer

❖ Concert Review

The University community's diverse taste in music is rarely satisfied with campus concerts. Some acts hit unexpectedly, whereas some tend to miss the mark of their anticipated popularity. This past weekend, as the Sojka Pavilion opened its doors to music for the first time, Third Eye Blind, along with support act G. Love & Special Sauce, seemed to fall somewhere in the middle—at least with regard to attendance. While the arena was only about half full, each act did its best to rouse the crowd. Where Third Eye Blind's flashy lights and exaggerated stage show fell short, G. Love & Special Sauce took a more classic, simpler route, and did so with notable success.

The Philadelphia-based three-piece has not held the spotlight like Third Eye Blind and with the exception of one song used in a Coors Light commercial, few people outside of the underground music scene would recognize G. Love's music. Its fan base has grown thanks to play on college radio, stellar live performances and word of mouth. In addition, G. Love has the ability to draw in a large range of fans, thanks to its eclectic mix of jamming, rock, folk, blues, hip-hop and funk. While the band was crammed in the only space where Third Eye Blind didn't have equipment, G. Love made the best possible use of its time. Over the 60-minute set, the band controlled the crowd. The sheer energy with which the lead singer performed the band's lesser-known songs was more than enough to captivate the audience. They really got rolling during "I-76," named for the Philadelphia highway, and finished strongly with "Cold Beverage" and "Unity," a song about racial peace.



Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian

Johnny Rzezn, lead guitarist for Third Eye Blind, takes the spotlight after concert opener, G-Love & Special Sauce wins the audience. The new Sojka Pavilion opened last Friday to invite the 2003 spring concert performers.

Surprisingly, before Third Eye Blind took the stage, many fans had actually left, as their attendance was based on G. Love's inclusion in the lineup. Once the lights went down, the arena was replenished with latecomers, and Third Eye Blind opened its set with "Blinded," the first single from its upcoming album. It was this trend that seemed to kill the crowd right from the start. The band tried to appease its old fans by playing past hits like "Jumper," "Motorcycle Driveby," "How's It Gonna Be" and "Semi-Charmed Life." But with a good number of songs from the new release, which no one has heard yet, people seemed to feel slighted knowing specific hits they could have heard were ignored and replaced with new songs in an attempt to promote an album.

The night proved fairly successful overall, and G. Love & Special Sauce backed up the notion that extravagant lights and a big stage show means nothing if a band can just get on stage and rock.

Local group brings theater to community

By Kristi Johnston
Senior Writer

The dramatic arts are alive and well in the Lewisburg area, thanks in part to the Gaspipe Theater Group. This theater ensemble, founded in January 2000, has put on over 25 productions and doesn't plan to stop anytime soon.

Gaspipe travels to local high schools performing motivational and educational plays, focusing on issues such as drug use and date rape. In addition, it produces original plays, poetry readings and classic theater.

"Gaspipe was created in January 2000 when I had a degree in theater but got a job as a planner, and I met Derek Scott, who has written many plays, but works at the Lewisburg Penitentiary," said Danielle McCormick, the group's director. "Both of us were trying to find a way to nurture our artistic sides, while also finding a way to address societal issues."

Ben Hartman '05 has been a member of the group for about a year. He heard about it from a friend, and has performed in many plays, including last summer's production of Shakespeare's "Othello."

"It was a lot of fun," Hartman said of his experience. "I had a hard time with the lines, but we had a great time."

"Both of us were trying to find a way to nurture our artistic sides, while also finding a way to address societal issues."

—Danielle McCormick,
director of Gaspipe Theater Group

"Othello" was part of the Gaspipe's annual Shakespeare in the Park event. The event has also featured the group's presentations of "A Midsummer Night's Dream" and "Romeo and Juliet." This summer, the group will peform "The Taming of the Shrew" on July 25-26. Auditions will be held at 7 p.m. on May 28 in Hufnagle Park. Hartman looks forward to participating.

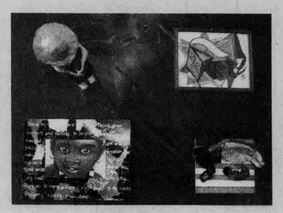
"We decided while addressing societal issues was important, so was art for art's sake," McCormick said of the switch in theatrical genres introduced by the Shakespeare in the Park event.

The extensive list of the group's credits includes "An Evening of Edgar Allan Poe," "You Don't Know Jack: A Lesson in Kerouac," an oral interpretation workshop and two programs at the Donald L. Heiter Community Center focusing on Martin Luther King Jr.

Gaspipe is dedicated to its mission statement, which reads, "To produce both classic and original plays for public entertainment and to use theater to address societal issues."

"This means," McCormick said, "that we are committed to the works of Shakespeare, Marlowe [and] Molière, as well as original plays that company members write and develop, and we are committed to serving the needs of central Pennsylvania through the work of important nonprofit organizations of the Susquehanna Valley."

Black Arts Festival a success



The annual Black Arts Festival comprised an entire weekend, showcased black arts at the University. Events included an art contest, a dance showcase, a theater production, a craft center workshop and a def-poetry hotbox.

Alisha Lang—The Bucknellian (top left); other photos courtesy of Juan Ortiz Calcano

Jelani "returns to roots" during the Arts Festival

Alisha Lang—The Bucknellian

The Jelani Showcase featured a dancing troupe of nine students performing in its annual day of dance celebration, taking place in the Terrace Room.

By Stephanie Malenich
Staff Writer

In a talent showcase designed to compliment the Black Arts Festival theme of "Returning to our Roots," dance reigned supreme April 5 in the Terrace Room. Master of ceremonies Kellen Smith '03 excitedly introduced not only Jelani, the University's hip-hop dance troupe and feature performers, but several other guest groups as well. The Bison Girls gave a performance in true Bison Girl tradition; brothers from Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. performed step; Fuego Latino, a troupe from Susquehanna University, performed Latin dances; and S.E.C.R.E.T. Entertainment, a group composed of three professional dancers, made moves reminiscent of steps in an Usher music video.

Vice President of Jelani Jaifi Lewis '03 said she was excited about Jelani's guests.

"Our showcase is held every year ... not only to highlight our organization, but to display the amazing talent of other groups. In the end, it's all about bringing people together to have a great time, performers and audience members alike," Lewis said.

Jelani embraced the festival's theme as both step and dance routines reflected the influence of the African-American culture. The troupe adhered to its mission statement to "create and produce rhythmic movements ... via performances and educational programming that embodies the rhythms, history and the influence of Mother Africa."

This goal was reached through the performance of a piece choreographed by India Branch '03. The expressive routine was pulled directly from the African inspiration, which the group wants to express and share. The deep beat of drums and African song provided inspiration for exaggerated movements that resembled the step performances of the night with freer and more vivid motions. The uninhibited dancing style coupled with the joyful music brought to mind an African tribal dance used in the telling of a jubilant story or in the worship of the sun.

Other dances were innovative in "recovering their roots," using rhythm and beat learned through African culture with the addition of a modern twist. Such performances included various step routines and a dance that recalled more recent roots with Rob Base's 1980's classic "It Takes Two."

Most impressive throughout the showcase was the effort of all the groups to engage the audience and ensure that they experienced the show through interaction.

"Dancing with Jelani is incredible—the wild adrenaline rush you have with every major performance, the sessions to create moves filled with attitude and style and the hours outside of practice that you spend with other Jelani members just hanging out. That is the Jelani experience," Lewis said.

The experience was extended to the audience and the excitement was clearly infectious as many spectators cheered on the dancing and even showed off a few moves of their own. The interaction with the audience was extended as the group invited them to a party held at Uptown celebrating the showcase's success.

Started in 1999, Jelani has built its reputation for drawing crowds. The performance has once more proven that the group truly reflects its mission of using "the powerful tool of rhythm to celebrate, uplift, motivate and inspire" to live up to the Swahili meaning of their name, "mighty."

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Carolyn Strickland

Associate Director of Campus Activities and Programs

Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian

Associate Director of Campus Activities and programs and adviser to Chi Omega Sorority Carolyn Stricland (right) is responsible for organizing many programs through Activities and Camppuse Events.

By Jason Oster
Staff Writer

Anyone who knows Strickland can vouch that she is a friend to students and colleagues; someone who strives to make life better at the University.

In 2000, Carolyn Strickland was hired out of Susquehanna University to become the Associate Director of Campus Activities and Programs. Little did she know how involved in individual aspects of University life she would become. Strickland is not only the Associate Director of Campus Activities and Programs, but she is also the University adviser for Chi Omega sorority and a Sexual Assault Survivor Advocate. Along with Swartz Social space Manager Tasha Heim and Associat"Laura has truly been an inspiration to me, and I consider myself a better person for having known her," close friend Sarah McCaughey '03 said. Dean of Students Kari Conrad, Strickland is responsible for organizing most of the options Activities and Campus Events (ACE) offers students on weekends.

Conrad said she is appreciative of Strickland's work.

"I am blessed for the strong staff in my office making sure everything that we do is of high quality, and Carolyn is an integral part of this team. When she came here from Susquehanna, Carolyn was mostly involved in the reorganization of the Activities and Campus Events," Conrad said. "Prior to her arrival, that particular aspect of the University functioned in a much different capacity. However, Carolyn has made things much more effective and the quality has been incredible."

BU After Dark is a popular popular activity of which Strickland ia a part. With its carnival-like atmosphere including games, an abundance of food and competitions, the event became a quick-

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John Miller

Professor of Management

By Jennifer Jenchura
Senior Writer

"Make as big a difference in the world as your creativity, your sensitivity and your resources will permit."

Professor of Management John Miller offers this challenge to the 130 students enrolled in the hugely popular Management 101 (MG101) course he created and teaches at the University.

After 25 years of full-time developing and instructing MG101, Miller is reducing his course load to teach only in the spring semester. His next challenge is to write a book and develop materials about MG101.

"Professor Miller is MG101 ... inside and outside of the classroom," Kristin Abromitis '04 said.

A fixture in the management department, Miller is inspirational to both students and faculty.

"John Miller was the first person I met from Bucknell some 23 years ago when I interviewed for a faculty position. I knew immediately that I was talking with someone who had a unique and valued perspective on undergraduate management education. John has been a colleague who has taught many of us about the meaning and the value of management studies in a liberal learning environment," Professor of Management Tim Sweeney said. "John is a friend and a colleague, and there simply aren't very many days that go by when I personally don't learn something from the man!"

Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian

John Miller began the Management 101 program at the University. Institutions across the country have used this program.

Miller shares MG101 teaching duties with another management professor each semester. Assistant Professor of Management Jamie Hendry, who is teaching alongside Miller this semester, described his colleague as passionate and dedicated to hands-on management education.

"This is my first semester teaching with John Miller, and I'm amazed at John's passion for this class! He's been teaching MG101 for nearly 25 years, and yet his enthusiasm for it is still palpable," Hendry said. "He's fascinated by anything having to do with organizations, by the ways people come together and organize so they can accomplish all sorts of tasks. He's always thinking about it, reading about it, asking penetrating questions, trying to figure out why it happens and

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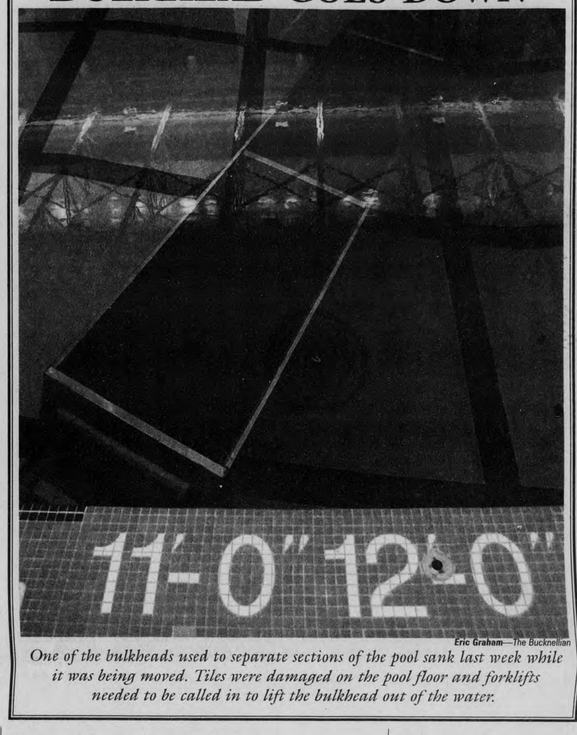
Bulkhead goes down



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

One of the bulkheads used to separate sections of the pool sank last week while it was being moved. Tiles were damaged on the pool floor and forklifts needed to be called in to lift the bulkhead out of the water.

Despite incidents, Senior Night continues

By Jason Oster
Staff Writer

A physical altercation ensued among members of the senior class following the March 20 Senior Night, resulting in the arrest of three members of the senior class for physically assaulting another student.

"The last Senior Night was successful and safe with respect to the events at the venue, Italian Terrace. However, after the event, a group of seniors exited the provided buses and proceeded to assault a Bucknell student," Senior Class President Laura Day said.

Incidents involving students under the influence of alcohol have occurred during the last two Senior Nights causing the University administration to question the safety of students at Senior Nights.

Dean of Students Richard Ferraro is pleased with the majority of students' behavior on Senior Nights, as well as the responsibility of the senior class officers. He said there are still some problems.

"There is a concern about being served dangerous kinds of drinks, where the students are not always sure how many shots are in them and they cannot reckon what is in the drink. There is also a concern about people who drink too much and subsequently become aggressive, which some people have the tendency to do," Ferraro said.

Although there have been some problems in the past, senior class officers are working in conjunction with the administration to ensure that the tradition of Senior Night continues.

"All the deans, including those of student life and Greek life, have expressed support for Senior Nights, provided that they can be a safe and healthy social event," Day said. "On the whole, the administration has been fantastic at accommodating student concerns and working to compromise with the class government."

For years, senior classes have planned monthly outings for graduating seniors to socialize in a non-University setting, celebrating their last year in college. Seniors are bused to and from Senior Night locations such as The Italian Terrace and La Primavera, where they fraternize for a few hours on a weekday night.

Ferraro commended the senior officers and the students who take precautions.

"I have been impressed with the officers and their responsibility and the vast majority of students have done well when they attend Senior Nights. However, you don't need a lot of exceptions for a problem. You have to credit the leaders and the majority of students

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Manning celebrates 104 years of life

By Christopher Styers
Business and Politics Editor

The children of Beaver Memorial United Methodist Church added another number to their banner as Professor Emeritus Dr. Wayne Manning celebrated his 104th birthday on Saturday. The children of the congregation created the banner to commemorate Manning's 100th birthday and each year they continue to add one.

Friends from the church, the University and others celebrated Manning's birthday in Marlow Hall at Riverwoods, Manning's residence since late last year. With the cakes, ice cream and various other foods prepared and donated by friends, Professor of Biology Warren Abrahamson gave a presentation illustrating some of the achievements in Manning's lifetime, which crosses three centuries.

Before coming to the University, the roots of Manning's commitments to a lifelong study of plants were firmly established in two trips across the country in 1916 and 1920. Both trips were

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A feminist writes like this

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Sunday, April 6

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—Public Safety responded to a fire alarm at Gateway Malesardi, caused by unknown person(s) discharging a fire extinguisher in an unlocked room. No witnesses or suspects could be located in a search of the building. The incident is under investigation.

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT/VANDALISM—Public Safety responded to a fire alarm at Swartz Hall, caused by unknown person(s) discharging fire extinguishers at two locations in the building. A water fountain was also pulled off of the wall. No witnesses or suspects could be located in a search of the building. The incident is under investigation.

VANDALISM/CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—Public Safety reported that unknown person(s) broke out 10 panes of glass in a door in Vedder Hall. The incident is under investigation.

Monday, April 7

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed $15 worth of food and a chair from her unlocked Bucknell West Mod. The incident is under investigation.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student contacted Public Safety and requested transportation to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment of stomach pain. A Student Health Services driver responded and transported the student who later returned to campus.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student contacted Public Safety and requested transportation to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment of a sore throat. A Student Health Services driver responded and transported the student who later returned to campus.

Tuesday, April 8

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student contacted Public Safety and requested transportation to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment of a knee injury. A Student Health Services driver responded and transported the student who later returned to campus.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that his parking decal was removed from his vehicle while parked in the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity parking lot. The incident is under investigation.

SEXUAL ASSAULT—A student reported to Public Safety that she had non-consensual sexual relations with another student in a Gateway Vidinghoff room while both were intoxicated and she was semi-conscious. She did not wish to file charges at this time with any authority. The incident is under investigation.

FURNISHING ALCOHOL TO UNDERAGE PERSONS/UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—While on routine patrol, a Public Safety Officer observed a vehicle overtake another vehicle at a high rate of speed on St. George Street. Public Safety pulled the vehicle over on St. George Street and found the driver to be a student, who had supplied alcohol to two underage male passengers who admitted to having consumed alcohol. Lewisburg Police Department responded. The driver was cited for supplying alcohol to underage persons and the two passengers were cited for underage consumption.

Wednesday, April 9

MISSING PROPERTY—A student reported to Public Safety that posters that she had hung at various locations on campus had been removed. The incident is under investigation.

THEFT—An employee reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed 19 basketballs valued at $200 and a basketball rack from the unlocked women's basketball equipment room in the Sojka Pavilion. During the investigation, a student reported to Public Safety that a Panasonic mini camcorder, battery pack and extension cord were also missing from the unlocked GA office in the pavilion. The incident is under investigation.

Thursday, April 10

INFORMATION/BROKEN WINDOW—Public Safety responded to Vedder Hall for the report of a broken window. No witnesses or suspects could be located in a search of the area.

SUSPICIOUS PERSON—While on routine patrol on St. George Street, a R&P Security Officer met with two students who reported a suspicious male requesting directions to Bertrand Library. Public Safety and Lewisburg Police Department conducted a search of the area that met with negative results.

FIGHT/UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—While on a routine escort, Public Safety observed a male strike another male at South Sixth and St. Louis streets. Lewisburg Police Department and East Buffalo Police Department responded. Upon investigation, Public Safety identified the individuals as students, one of whom, a male, had consumed alcohol though under the age of 21. All persons involved declined to press charges. One citation was issued for underage consumption.

MISSING PROPERTY—An employee reported to Public Safety that a computer mouse, keyboard and USB cable were missing from an unlocked room in O'Leary. The incident is under investigation.

POSSESSING PROHIBITED WEAPON/UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—An employee reported to Public Safety that he heard what he believed to be pellet gunshots coming from the area of a Bucknell West Mod. East Buffalo Township Police Department responded. Public Safety located an underage, intoxicated student with a pellet gun shooting at targets at the rear of the Mod. East Buffalo Township Police Department cited the person for underage consumption. University citations of firearm possession, disorderly conduct and underage consumption were issued.

Friday, April 11

PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS—A student reported to Public Safety that there was a very intoxicated older male at the 7th Street Café. Upon arrival, Public Safety determined that the male was a visitor who was highly intoxicated. Lewisburg Police Department responded and issued a citation for public drunkenness. Public Safety escorted the individual off campus.

Saturday, April 12

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—While on routine patrol, Public Safety observed several students playing beer pong in the basement of Sigma Chi Fraternity. Five students were identified and admitted to drinking alcohol although under the age of 21. The students were issued citations for underage consumption. The fraternity was cited for beer game violations.

VANDALISM/CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) broke a window pane in the main door at Hunt Hall. The incident is under investigation.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—While on routine patrol, Public Safety observed two students carrying alcoholic beverages in plastic cups while walking in front of the Ward House. Public Safety stopped the students, who admitted to drinking alcohol although under the age of 21. The students were cited for underage consumption.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—A student reported to Public Safety that a visitor was lying unresponsive in a bed in Vedder Hall. Public Safety arrived and determined that the individual was intoxicated and under the age of 21. Emergency Medical Services transported the ill female to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment. Lewisburg Police Department cited her for underage consumption.

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—Public Safety responded to a fire alarm activation at Swartz Hall. Upon arrival, Public Safety determined that unknown person(s) activated a pull station for no apparent reason. The incident is under investigation.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION/PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS—Public Safety and Lewisburg Police Department responded to South Sixth and St. George streets for the report of an intoxicated student who fled the area when an R&P Security Officer requested identification. The student admitted to Public Safety that he did consume alcohol although under the age of 21. Citations were issued for underage consumption and public drunkenness.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT—An employee advised Public Safety that a male was brandishing a knife at Kinney Natatorium. Public Safety arrived and determined that the visitor did have a knife and was intoxicated. Public Safety obtained the knife from the male. East Buffalo Police Department was contacted and responded to escort the individual off campus. A citation for disorderly conduct was issued.

ARSON—A student reported to Public Safety that a dumpster was on fire outside of Taylor Hall. Public Safety and William Cameron Engine Company responded and extinguished the fire. The incident is under investigation.

Manning celebrates 104th birthday with students, friends

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coordinated through Oberlin College. The second trip consisted of four Model T Fords, a truck and among the researchers, his future wife Peg.

After graduating from Oberlin in 1920, Manning attended Cornell University to complete his doctorate and then went on to teach at the University of Illinois and Smith College. With the onset of World War II, Manning lost his position at Smith College, but pursued educating and helping people by teaching basic mathematics to factory workers. Finally, in 1944, Manning applied for teaching positions at many universities and was accepted by Bucknell.

During his 23 years at the University Manning left three great legacies, all of which he continues to support, Abraham said.

When Manning began his career at the University, there were no plants in the greenhouse, During his tenure, Manning and his wife built the collection to over 400 plant species. Without Manning's efforts the greenhouse that now sits atop the Biology Building would not have been the quality collection it is today. Manning and his students also embarked on the development of a preserved plant collection.

The second legacy, The Wayne E. Manning Herbarium, currently holds 22,000 specimens of plants, more than 7,000 of Manning collected. This growing database continues to aid in the protection and preservation of endangered species of plants, as well as serving as a vital database for advancements in the studies of plants.

Manning's third legacy involves the type of relationship with students and others that he and his wife tried to create. With the establishment of the Wayne and Margaret Manning Internship in Botanical Sciences, an internship that supports student research, it is clear that Manning continues to try to take students under his wing and support them in their endeavors.

"He has clearly touched the hearts, souls and minds of so many people," said Professor Don Stone of Duke University said.

Abrahamson recalls students talking about their relationships with the couple as they were welcomed to their home and how Manning served as a mentor for so many.

"He was a pioneer at Bucknell," Abrahamson said.

In particular, Abrahamson admires Manning's pursuit of fulfilling a teacher-scholar role. Manning believed that teachers continually involved in research in their fields helped to make better teachers.

Manning's influence extends beyond faculty and students to the campus community.

"To know him is to get completely pulled in by his charm, his sense of humor, and his intellect," Keri Albright, a good friend of Manning who helped plan his 104th birthday, said.

Easter Eggstravaganza

Adam Wilcox—The Bucknellian

Children participated in an Easter egg hunt sponsored by the Catholic Campus Ministry in downtown Lewisburg last Saturday afternoon. A special Easter egg hunt for adults was also held downtown.

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who are responsible for picking up the slack," Ferraro said.

Ferraro also credited the buses for ensuring student safety during Senior Nights.

"Even small amounts of alcohol can impair someone's driving and reaction time. The officers of the senior class, in previous years as well, have insisted on everyone using the buses to be transported to and from the location of the event," Ferraro said.

The senior class officers and the administration are committed to increasing the safety at the Senior Nights. A set of guidelines has been drawn up, placing new requirements on senior nights after an student was transported to the hospital during a February Senior Night after over-consuming alcohol. Associate Dean of Students Kari Conrad, the senior class adviser and the officers have worked hard to put these guidelines in effect. Seniors over 21 can now only drink a measured amount of alcohol, not a mixed drink where there is uncertainty as to the amount of alcohol.

"This past Senior Night was a trial run of Senior Nights with the new provisions," Day said. The class officers and representatives hoped this would curtail binge [drinking] and overconsumption at the event. The class representatives have also been diligent in allowing only the eligible students to attend and enforcing the guidelines, including the requirement to take the required transportation." Only seniors over 21 years old are can attend Senior nights.

Two more senior nights are scheduled for the Class of 2003, and the new guidelines will be in effect for these events.

Due to the support of the administration and the responsibility of the students and class officers, the future of Senior Nights is positive.

Bucknellian corrections:

In the **March 28** issue, some of the information in the front page story "Zeta Phi Beta joins Greek community" was incorrect. The adviser from the Gamma Iota Chapter submitted a letter to the editor this week which clarifies the information. See page A7.

In the **April 4** issue, the quote by Candice Hinckley on page A6 should have read " ... Those of us who lived through the Vietnam era remember that among the myriad mistakes that were made, one particularly egregious infraction was that made against the soldiers themselves, who were tormented or shunned or otherwise damned for doing what our government asked them to do ..."

In the **April 11** issue, Kevin Costner's daughter on page B7 ("Costner creates commotion" was misidentified as Annie, who is the older daughter of Costner. Lily is the daughter pictured.

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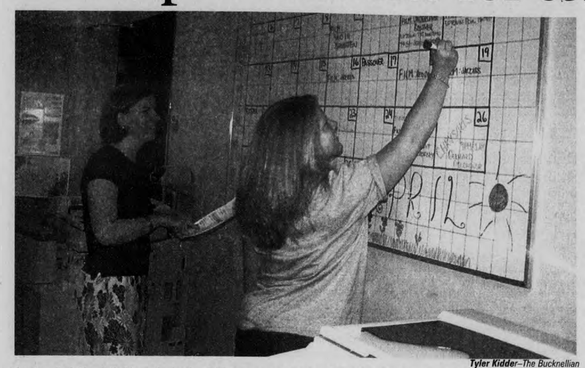
Strickland contributes to planning of campus activities for students



Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian

Carolyn Strickland (left) works in the CAP center, acts as the adviser for Chi Omega Sorority and is a rape counselor at the University. Students and faculty agree that she is friends to students, while remaining professional.

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success.

"I heard from students that they wanted more events, only later in the evening, so I did the research and proposed the idea to my colleagues and Dean Conrad. I may have initiated it after the students insisted on more late-night activities, but many people in my department are responsible for it being what it is today," Strickland said.

Strickland is also involved in Building on Foundations (BOF). Four years ago, BOF was created as a pre-orientation program, where students who engage in leadership activities. Most recently, Strickland has taken over the role as the program's advisor. She started the BOF Reunion, in which former BOF participants come together and share experiences.

With all the activities in which Strickland is involved, Conrad still feels that her forte is her interaction with students.

"When I think about Carolyn's strength, it is her relationships with the students who come in and out of her office. Students are always in there, whether talking about ACE, their academics or their personal life," Conrad said. "I do have a lot of respect for Carolyn, in that she is very professional, yet she manages to also be friends to the students that she comes in contact with every day."

Strickland became adviser to Chi Omega in 2001 at the request of two of the sorority's sisters.

"She was not a member of a Greek organization before becoming our adviser but she became a special initiate in 2001. She chose to be a special initiate of Chi-Omega in order to become more fully involved in the chapter," President of Chi-Omega Marie DeAngelis '04 said.

Strickland was recently awarded the 2002 Most Outstanding University Adviser Award by the Interfraternity Council (IFC) and the Panhellenic Council.

"Carolyn has been a huge influence in our chapter and an amazing resource. She is very knowledgeable about the Plan for Prominence and other aspects of Greek Life at Bucknell," DeAngelis said. "She serves as the direct adviser to some of the chapter officers and also as a liaison between our chapter and the University. She has helped us out a lot with setting goals and planning. She is knowledgeable about the many resources on campus and how to utilize them."

Strickland is also on-call if there is a sexual assault on campus. If a survivor is in need of assistance or just wants someone to talk to, Strickland is there.

Colleagues laud Strickland's involement in University life.

"When I think of what it means to be a professional, I think of Carolyn. She multitasks and she is ethical, loyal, committed, makes quality a top priority and is concerned with her own self-growth," Conrad said. "By that I mean she is constantly challenging herself to look for new, creative ways of doing things."

Recently, Strickland won an award from the National Association of Campus Activities.

After this academic year Strickland will be leaving the University to become the Director of Campus Activities at Penn College.

She learned a lot from her experiences and thoroughly enjoyed her years here.

"What made my job great were my good relationships with the students, whether in ACE, Greek System, IFC, Panhellenic Council or Chi Omega. It was important to reach all types of student groups on campus and by building the relationships, the programming that we can provide is improved. That is why an open-door policy with students is so important," Strickland said.

Strickland said she will use what she has learned here in her future endeavors.

"I gained a lot of new skills here from projects, but I also learned a little from every student. Sometimes students don't realize how much we as administrators can learn from them, such as their backgrounds, future goals and classes. This is what keeps my job exciting and this is why I love what I do," Strickland said.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 18 — FRI

Meng Student Lunch
Buttery Room (LC 241B)
Noon

Shuttles: Wal-Mart & Susquehanna Valley Mall
6 p.m.

Spring Football Picnic
Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium Parking Lot
4 p.m.

Hilltop Film Series: "Memories of Underdevelopment"
Vaughan Lit. Auditorium
4:30 & 8 p.m.

Good Friday Protestant Service
Rooke Chapel
5 p.m.

Student Art Show Reception
Samek Art Gallery (LC 310)
5 p.m.

Shabbat Service and Dinner
Berelson Center
5:30 p.m.

Orange-and-Blue Football Game
Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium
7 p.m.

Swing Thing
Vedder Living Room
8:30 p.m.

"Red Dragon"
LC Forum
10:30 p.m.

April 19 — SAT

Track & Field Meet
Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium
11 a.m.

Women's Lacrosse vs. Villanova
Bucknell West Fields
1 p.m.

Baseball vs. Army
Bucknell West Fields
2 p.m.

Shuttles: Wal-Mart & Susquehanna Valley Mall
3 & 6 p.m.

Recital: Contemporary Piano
Weis Music Building Recital Hall
7 p.m.

Catholic Mass
Rooke Chapel
8 p.m.

"Jackass: The Movie"
Vaughan Lit. Auditorium
10:30 p.m.

April 20 — SUN

Happy Easter!

Quaker Services
Willard Smith Library
9:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Catholic Mass
Bucknell Hall
10 & 11 a.m.

Interdenominational Worship Service
Rooke Chapel
11 a.m.

Women's Tennis vs. American
Tennis Courts
11 a.m.

Baseball vs. Army
Bucknell West Fields
Noon

Episcopal Eucharist Service
Rooke Meditation Chapel
Noon

Catholic Mass
Rooke Chapel
4 p.m.

Sunday Night Prayer
LC 302
9 p.m.

Catholic Mass
Hunt Hall Living Room
10 p.m.

April 21 — MON

Qigong Classes
Hunt Hall Living Room
Noon

Zen Meditation
Rooke Meditation Chapel
4 p.m.

BRIDGE 101
Offered daily
CDC
Noon

Yoga Class
McDonnell Hall 242
4:45 p.m.

Vegan Meal
Refectory Room (LC 252)
6 p.m.

Stroke Clinic
Kinney Natatorium
6:30 p.m.

Spring Art Film Series: "The Next Big Thing"
LC Forum
7 p.m.

Focus Semester Series
Gallery Theatre
7:30 p.m.

April 22 — TUE

Lecture: "Men Are From Mars; Leaves Women in Charge"
Center Room (LC 256)
Noon

Animal Defense League: Movie
Coleman 119
3 & 8 p.m.

Tai Chi
McDonnell Hall 241
5 p.m.

Scrimmage: Women's Soccer vs. Bloomsburg
Bucknell West Fields
5 p.m.

Politics Open Forum
Rooke Chemistry 116
7 p.m.

Classical Jazz Concert
Bucknell Hall
7 p.m.

Scrimmage: Women's Soccer vs. Bloomsburg
Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium
7 p.m.

SIRENS Series
LC Forum
7:30 p.m.

April 23 — WED

Qigong Classes
Arches Lounge (LC 304)
8 a.m.

Internships 101
Every Tuesday (Noon) and Wednesday (3:30 p.m.)
CDC

Baseball vs. Towson
Bucknell West Fields
3:30 p.m

Freshman Mixer
THE GROVE
6 p.m.

Senior Recital: Rachel Crane (violin)
Weis Music Building Recital Hall
8 p.m.

Yoga Class
Walls Board Room (LC 213)
9 p.m.

April 24 — THU

Women's Sports Luncheon
Center Room (LC 256)
Noon

Culture Couture
LC 302
Noon

Student Art Show
Samek Art Gallery

Bucknell En France Information Session
Buttery Room (LC 241D)
Noon

Third World Film Series: "Like Water for Chocolate"
Coleman 151
4 & 7 p.m.

"the well"
Larison Dining Hall
8:30 p.m.

Passover Ends at Sundown

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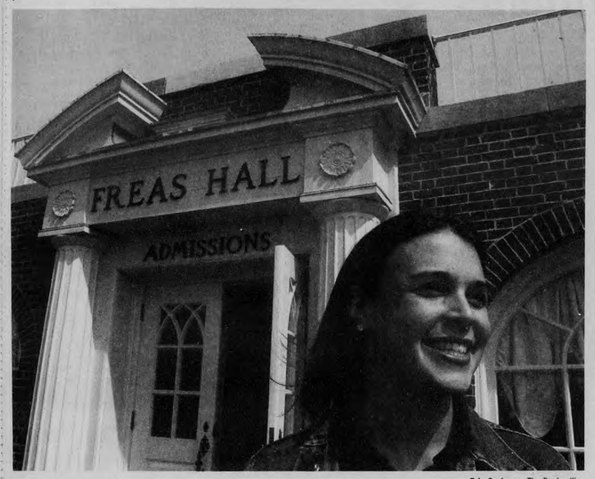

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Class of 2003 President Laura Day is known for her continuous smile. Day is a former *Bucknellian* editor, is a member of Alpha Chi Omega Sorority and is actively involved in the Bucknell Student Government.

Laura Day '03

Class of 2003 President

By Meghan Fox
Staff Writer

Class of 2003 President Laura Day's infectious smile is well-known on both academic and extracurricular corners of campus. Dedicated to the University community, Day is actively involved in the Bucknell Student Government (BSG), a sister of Alpha Chi Omega Sorority, former News and Managing editor of *The Bucknellian* and works in the Admissions Office.

Responsible for representing the student body on committees for the Cable TV Task Force, the Committee on Admissions and Financial Aid and the Vision 2010 Steering committee, Day commits herself to bettering the campus.

"Laura is an enthusiastic and fun person who excels in life because of her passion and focus and determination to pursue her dreams," best friend Rachel Kroger '03 said. "Laura is a person of integrity, sincerity and enthusiasm for life."

Vice President Charles Pollock '70, who has worked with Day in many contexts over the past few years, considers her "the quintessential Bucknell student."

"She is always the first person to volunteer her time and energy," Admissions Counselor Kate Peltz said. "I do not know how she refuels or regroups, but she must, somehow, because she never omits a detail, falters on a promise or forgets a responsibility."

Assistant Dean of Students Kari Conrad has worked closely with Day both as the adviser to BSG and to the senior class.

"She has done so much for BSG," Conrad said. "I think she would be described by her peers as 'the voice of reason.' When Laura speaks at a BSG meeting, it's sensible, it's timely and she is just so respected by her peers."

In addition to her strong leadership skills, Day is also an excellent student.

Thanks to hard work and devotion, Day has a 3.96 grade point average and is a member of Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society. Day was also accepted into Stanford Law School, which she will attend in the fall.

"She knows how to work really hard, but also to live life to the fullest, making incredibly fun memories along the way," Kroger said.

"I have never seen a frown on this woman's face," Assistant Professor of French and Francophone Studies Renee Gosson said.

Day was a student in Gosson's class during her sophomore year. Intended for French majors, typically seniors who had already been immersed in French culture after a semester abroad, Day still earned the highest grade in the class. Gosson attributed this success to an aspect of Day's precocity.

"Laura is unique because of how much she has done for our school. She has worked hard for four years to get cable on this campus, she has brainstormed innovative ideas for class events and has initiated many positive changes on campus," friend and fellow BSG member Hannah Young '03 said.

Conrad described Day's work ethic as "second to none." Day is always careful to selflessly represent her constituency to the best of her ability.

"Laura is probably one of the most ethical, hard-working, intelligent go-getters that I've ever met. She is compassionate; she cares about doing the right thing. When Laura takes on any task you know that that is going to be done with style and grace and follow through," Conrad said.

"Laura has truly been an inspiration to me, and I consider myself a better person for having known her," close friend Sarah McCaughey '03 said.

Professors and friends alike are quick to note Day's natural ability to tactfully speak her mind, always stating what she truly believes and never backing down from a challenge.

Her assertive personality does not prevent her from looking out for the concerns of others.

"Above all, Laura is devoted to people," Peltz said. "She values her family, is a steadfast friend and someone on whom others depend ... the remarkable thing is that Laura's character is as, if not more, impressive than her résumé."

Day will be graduating with a major in international relations and French, with a minor in Japanese.

"I am so excited for her future," Conrad said. "I hope she stays connected to the institution for a long time ... and I think she will because she is a true Bucknellian."

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Aaron DeRosa '03 poses with the Slam Hammer, on which his name is inscribed as a winner of the poetry slam series. A senior editor for *The Bucknellian*, DeRosa exhibits his trademark wit in his column, "Me Like Sportz."

Aaron DeRosa '03

Poetry Slam Committee Founder

By Jeff Day and Melinda Kummer
Staff Writer and Arts & Entertainment Editor

"I want to have that man's babies!" Certainly not an exclamation heard by everyone—yet a certain blue-hatted boy has heard it more than once. Instantly recognizable, the blue hat's reputation precedes the person of Aaron DeRosa '03.

Professors call DeRosa a charming, outgoing and inquisitive student. His friends call him witty, intelligent, giving and a genuine mentor. His close friends call him too big for his britches. And why not? DeRosa can boast of more leadership positions than one can shake a stick at, among them chief editor of Mirth Grinder, sports and senior editor of *The Bucknellian*, founder and president of the Poetry Slam Committee, Homecoming Host, Mr. Bucknell 2001, member of Omicron Delta Kappa Honor Society, former Associate Editor of Red Wheelbarrow and former West Branch editorial intern. More importantly, and into the campus weekly. Rachel Laskow, former editor-in-chief of *The Bucknellian*, said that not only is DeRosa a fantastic writer, but he also always makes time for his friends, work and helping out others.

According to Peter Hackeman, Opinions editor for *The Bucknellian*, "Aaron is one of the few people who can make editing and placing articles all night a fun experience. His graduation this May will certainly leave our staff with a void of comedy and good humor. Rather than try to replace him with another funny person or a committee of comedians, we are planning to worship his blue hat in hopes that he will return some day to amuse a future staff of the paper."

DeRosa's involvement with Mirth Grinder is another example of his literary involvement on campus. As chief editor, DeRosa was a source of ideas and inspiration to the Mirth Grinder staff.

"Aaron is a natural-born leader. He inspires others with his charm, biting wit and magnetic personality. He has expressed an interest and enthusiasm for poetry that remains unparalleled by any other student I have met," Rebecca Wadlinger '06 said.

DeRosa's accomplishments are not limited to extracurricular activities, but extend into the classroom as well.

He was awarded the 2002 University Prize for Men, a prize for English literature and composition. DeRosa plans to extend his academic pursuits with a Ph.D. in English.

According to Assistant Professor of Comparative Humanities John Hunter, DeRosa has an intellectual maturity far ahead of his years—he welcomes debate and disagreement as opportunities to learn and changes his mind when proven wrong.

Assistant Professor of East Asian Studies Erik Lofgren described DeRosa as a sensitive, inquisitive student with a good head on his shoulders.

"Aaron seems to truly enjoy the academic project, and believes that he can learn from and contribute to it," Lofgren said.

John Rickard, chair of the English department, called DeRosa an engaged and energetic student who is eager to learn, intellectually alive and very articulate.

"He genuinely enjoys learning new things and encountering new authors. He has a great sense of humor, which informs his papers and class presentations. Aaron's involvement in English at Bucknell went far beyond his coursework," Rickard said.

Graduation will mark the completion of an outstanding and successful college career for DeRosa, who will graduate with honors in English. While DeRosa will attend Northeastern University to pursue a doctorate in English literature, his impact on the University will continue to be felt by future classes.

"It has been a privilege to work with Aaron. He has helped all of us become better journalists and better people. It may be a common comment about a graduating senior, but Aaron really will leave our school and these organizations better off than he found them. He has inspired the people he works with and that is the mark of a true leader," Hackeman said.

> DeRosa refuses to take individual credit for the success that he has been involved in.
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> When first asked to talk about his accomplishments, DeRosa deflected credit and dismissed the idea of individual achievement, instead focusing on the help that peers and professors have provided. When pressed further, he continued to talk about the students that he has worked with over his four years. Finally, he firmly said, "I hate talking about myself." When asked to repeat an earlier quote, as if to confirm the point, DeRosa said, "I don't remember." The sly smile on his face told a different tale, but he steadfastly refused to take personal credit for the many contributions he has made to student life on campus.
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> He describes his motivation to write as similar to that of construction—he likes to see things happen and prefers to build with his words. DeRosa's founding of the Poetry Slam Committee represents his most obvious and lasting contribution. The poetry slam is now a twice-a-semester literary exhibition featuring professional poets and students who perform their pieces with a vigor and vitality not always associated with poetry.
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> "He is always a leader and always a riot. Slam wouldn't be what it is at Bucknell if it weren't for Aaron's dedication, spirit and humor," Kristin Robbins '03 said.
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> According to next year's Slam Committee co-chair, Christina Macmillan '05, the poetry slam series would not be in existence without DeRosa. As mentor to Macmillan, DeRosa is extremely determined, hardworking and dedicated.
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> "He has such a deep love for poetry and writing, and it shows through in everything that he does," Macmillan said.
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> Both slams held this spring were attended by an audience overflowing the 7th Street Café. While many students were there to see their friends perform and some to see the professional slammers, nearly all were impressed by the diminutive, blue-capped emcee. His slams are always among the most remembered and admired, many for their unusual wit and honesty.
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> DeRosa's literary impact extends beyond the spoken word

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News

Founder of MG 101 makes impact

Universities around the country have adopted the program the Miller started

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what factors tend to lead to organizational success."

Miller said that MG101 is an important for everybody, not just management majors.

"Even if students want to be doctors and lawyers and not take business classes, in this class students will learn how to get tasks done working with other people," Miller said. "The class is not about learning how to sell T-shirts. It's about learning how to work with others. It is especially for people who will never have another formal chance to learn about organization and management."

That realization, made while teaching at Yale, was Miller's inspiration for developing MG101. Miller launched the course full-time at Bucknell in the fall of 1979 and has been chairman of the board for all 184 Bucknell MG101 companies.

An article based on his work with experiential management project courses appeared in the spring 1991 edition of "The Journal of Management Education." As a result of that article, and other publicity concerning experiential and general education courses, Miller has been invited to design and offer versions of MG101 at universities in the United States and Europe.

There are currently 30 schools that run classes based on MG101, including several graduate schools. At Babson College in Massachusetts, all first-year students are required to take a class based on Miller's brainchild.

Management Department Chair Nancy Weida applauded Miller's advances in management education.

"His teaching interests are focused on the special needs of undergraduate students of management, but he also teaches advanced courses and graduate seminars in organization and management theory and practice. Professor Miller has received multiple awards for excellence in teaching, service-learning curriculum development and contributions to the community," Weida said. "He's also a member of the Susquehanna Chorale, and is active in numerous organizations at Bucknell such as the Weis Center. He is a respected faculty leader, and the most wonderful person."

Miller designed the service project component of MG101 to help organizations both on and off campus.

"Professor Miller's best contributions can't even be measured—the number of service hours and amount of money donated to such a wide range of causes because of Professor Miller is astounding," MG101 Teaching Assistant Dan Opperthauser '03 said.

Companies have helped to build a transition home for Lewisburg High School special-needs students, cleaned the Montandon Marsh and organized carnivals for children. To date charitable donations collected from past companies are valued at over $100,000.

"The benefits of learning through experience in MG101 are unparalleled by any other course. Students learn not only learning from course material, but also from this reflection. Professor Miller should be commended for developing a course that is different from others and fun for the student," Joey Alfano '05 said.

In recognition of his continued devotion to community service among students, Miller was rewarded with the Forrest D. Brown Award in 2002, given in appreciation for outstanding community service and for affecting the lives of University students by sharing with them the value of community service.

Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian

Professor of Management John Miller founded the Management 101 program at the University. He also teaches upper-level and graduate seminars for the Management program.

Miller is currently working on a capstone version of MG101 to be taught in the spring of 2004. The details of the course are still in the works, but Miller is certain that the class will entail a pedagogical teaching method forcing students to balance theory and practice.

Miller was also chosen to be a Carnegie Fellow in 1998, one of 15 outstanding U.S. college and university faculty members selected for inventing and sharing new models of teaching.

In addition to consulting with other universities on how they can present courses similar to Bucknell's MG101, Miller has given workshops and consulted with public and private organizations.

Miller's colleagues also admire his appreciation for the University.

"John cares deeply about the larger institution that is Bucknell and he has the ability to identify and articulate long-term strategic issues that are important to the University," Assistant Professor of Accounting Michael Coyne said.

Every day Miller continues to influence students and faculty.

"As a newcomer to the department, he sets a very high standard, but one that it is inspiring to strive for," Visiting Assistant Professor of Management Jordi Comas said.

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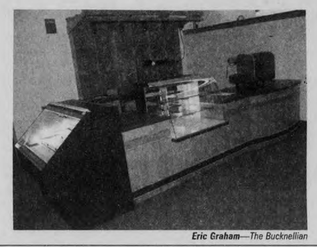
The permanent fixture for the library café was installed this week. It is hoped that the café will open by the end of the semester.



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Senior Nights a University tradition valued by students

Carnival is a celebration of indulgences and rejuvenation. It is a time in which people worldwide bid "farewell to the flesh," as the etymology of the term implies, and prepare for the abstinence and introspection that characterizes the liturgical season of Lent.

For the senior class, Senior Nights are their Carnival—one final opportunity to relax and enjoy the company of classmates in preparation for the seriousness and newfound responsibility of a career or graduate education awaiting them after Commencement. Seniors look forward to these opportunities after long days of writing their theses, student teaching or completing their senior design projects.

Unfortunately, a February Senior Night during which a senior was transported to the hospital for overconsumption resulted in the University administration questioning the safety and reconsidering the future of Senior Night.

The incident also caused concern over the serious liability issues—sponsoring an event in which alcohol will be consumed and entrusting the majority of the supervision of these events to the senior class officers and representatives—that the University might incur by sponsoring the event.

Despite this incident, Senior Nights have been permitted to continue with increased restrictions on admittance and hard-alcohol consumption.

Now, students again find the future of Senior Nights in question when three students physically assaulted one of their classmates after getting off the bus from a March Senior Night.

These incidents are a result of the inappropriate behavior of a few students and are certainly not indicative of the behavior of the class as a whole. The Class of 2003, or any future class, should not be punished as a result of the irresponsible behavior of a few.

Students also recognize and appreciate the potential liability issues that the University faces by sponsoring Senior Nights. If this is truly an issue that concerns the University, requesting that students sign waiver forms would alleviate fears about the legal issues surrounding the event. Most students would likely be receptive to signing such a document to assure that Senior Nights could continue.

Senior Nights enable all members of the class—liberal arts students, engineering students, Greeks and independents—to bond as a whole and unify in a way that they may not have been able since first-year student orientation. These precious few evenings are some the last opportunities that the graduating class will have to be together before they don caps and gowns for Commencement.

Dean of Students Richard Ferraro has indicated that from his perspective the continuance of Senior Nights is "positive." Hopefully, any future administrative decision regarding Senior Night will reflect the importance of this tradition for University students.

Our embrace of warfare as a problem-solver

By Michael Niebauer
Senior Writer

I have read from the local newspaper that students at the recent support the troops rally on campus expressed an odd fascination with the concept of war. I refer to the idea that war, as a concept, has been a great agent of change for humanity. War has helped us to rid the planet of such ills as slavery, the Nazi threat, the communist threat and I suppose we can give warfare credit for medical breakthroughs like antibiotics developed during war. French emperor Napoleon Bonaparte can be given credit for the method of canning food for preservation as he commissioned the initial research enabling the canning of food for his massive armies. War has been a change agent for mankind, but not without an enduring human cost.

The millions who died during the 20th century, the bloodiest of all, might want to differ with those who see a bright and cheery side to wars both cold and hot.

The last century provides proof that war really does breed war and is not a curative but a curse for winners and losers. The dangerous argument for the positive side of war is that it is to "end disputes" or to rid us of the threat of the moment. The addictive nature of war gives the illusion to the practitioners on both sides that they are giving an effective remedy to the problem at hand, while war is simultaneously brewing up enemies for the next conflict. World War II allies Soviet Russia became an enemy for 50 years that sparked proxy wars across the globe. Guatemala, Iran, Vietnam, Nicaragua and El Salvador became battlefields as millions died in conflicts over ideology. The U.S. Central Intelligence Agency worked to overthrow elected governments in Iran and Chile, and we wonder why others might hate us enough to attack us. There is no excuse for the suffering inflicted on Sept. 11, but we must understand that nothing happens without sufficient reason. That is why rhetorical arguments for the positive side of war bodes ill for the future.

As you can see even the experts are beginning to advocate for perpetual warfare as an honorable solution to waging peace.

The Soviet invasion of Afghanistan in 1979 attracted a young Osama bin Laden to fight the Soviets, as the U.S. CIA trained the forefathers of the Taliban. The Taliban's training empowered its members to take over the Afghan government and serve up its own flavor of religious oppression that bred terrorism. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein fought against Iran for eight years with our aid and blessing until he used gas against the Kurds. After the Gulf War win under former U.S. President George Bush, current U.S. President George W. Bush has now defeated Iraq with a truly first-class military and the technology behind 15,000 smart bombs. Are we ready for the role of world policeman? Are we getting to enjoy the role a bit too much? Are we acclimating ourselves to understand war as an effective tool of choice? There are many signs that this may be true.

Tom Friedman of *The New York Times* thinks that congratulations over the Iraqi win should be postponed for the moment. Whether we like it or not, those 15,000 bombs paid for by American taxpayers exploded on the oversstressed people of Iraq suffering under severe economic sanctions for over 10 years. As Friedman said, "Since we finally broke Iraq, we essentially own the primary responsibility to fix and normalize the country." We must get this done correctly or all faults from the lack of medicine and food and water to bomb damage will be ours. Friedman said that we should get all the help we can to do this from the United Nations "since the political and economic costs of occupation will be enormous." Friedman sees this as a "scene of humiliation not liberation" to the Iraqi people since humanitarian aid is slow in coming and the death toll from rioting is rising. Our military personnel are not trained as policemen. Looting and revenge killings are now becoming common among the Iraqi population after years of pent up frustrations.

Victor Hanson's book "An Autumn of War" states, "War can be good and that sometimes nations are better off using devastation than persuasion." Hanson's warm embrace of war may be working on the American public. "As Fox News revels in its coverage of the conflict, polls are showing a stoic attitude toward the dead and wounded so far," according to Maureen Dowd's column. "Ex-CIA chief, James Woolsey predicts that this conflict will go on for years as we restructure the Middle East." Woolsey listed the next list of enemies in the Middle East struggle, Iranian Shia, Hezbollah, Syrian Baathists and Islamist Sunni of al-Qaida and affiliated terrorist groups." The next enemy is ready to be cast and given an appropriately "evil" persona or representative face.

We are trapped in a cage with a lion held by the ears if we continue to embrace war over diplomacy, however slow and cumbersome it is in practice. As you can see even the experts are beginning to advocate for perpetual warfare as an honorable solution to waging peace. If war is part of the permanent human condition we better get it under control quickly before the technology gets any more efficient. We have the next enemy in our sights and Fox News and Al-Jazeera stand ready as reality television gets more real—as the American public sits down to watch the next television war and our comfort with war grows.

Letters to the editor

Spring concert review fails to reflect true student view

To the Editor:

I would like to express my dissatisfaction with Chad Flood's review of the Spring Concert with Third Eye Blind and G. Love and Special Sauce. I think it gives the readers of *The Bucknellian* a misrepresentation of what the concert experience was actually like. Though I can't argue that attendance was less than spectacular for the opening of the Sojka Pavilion as a concert venue, I do believe that many of the concert-goers were there to see Third Eye Blind. I didn't enjoy G. Love's performance, and many people around me at the concert seemed to share my distaste. I found G. Love's stage show less than stellar, with its lead singer sitting on a stool for most of the set, the song vocals inaudible and many of the songs sounding exactly the same. I disagree with Flood's interpretation of Third Eye Blind's performance. I think the band put on an amazing show.

The article argued Third Eye Blind's new songs displeased the crowd and that "the band [had] to appease its old fans by playing past hits." This is ludicrous, since concerts these days tend to follow a set list created before the show even starts. The article also reasoned that "people seemed to feel slighted knowing specific hits they could have heard were ignored and replaced with new songs." This is a little inaccurate since Third Eye Blind played all of its radio hits from its debut album ("Semi-Charmed Life," "How's It Going To Be" and "Jumper") as well "Motorcycle Driveby" (a fan favorite), and "Never Let You Go" from its second album, "Blue." The band also played covers of some of its personal favorite songs such as Led Zeppelin's "Stairway to Heaven" and The Clash's "Should I Stay or Should I Go."

One noticeable moment of the night that was left out was Stephan Jenkins' efforts to thank Jessica Lynch (a 19-year-old prisoner of war in Iraq who was rescued recently) by taking photos of the concert and having posters available after the show to sign and be sent to her in Germany. Stephan Jenkins' interaction with the audience, most noticeably his remark that "crowd-surfing is for chicks, not guys," combined with the band's excellent musicianship contributed to a performance that definitely outshined that of G. Love and Special Sauce. Overall, the spring concert may not have been a sold-out bash (filling up a 4,000-seat arena in Lewisburg, Pa., is easier said than done), but I think those in attendance thoroughly enjoyed the concert due solely to Third Eye Blind's performance.

Sincerely,

Chris Stokes '06

Silent Protester thirsty for attention

To the Editor:

This letter comes to you as part of my reaction to a picture published in your newspaper. A picture of a painted man was shown on the cover of your April 11 edition, with the title, "Silent Protest." The student portrayed in the picture was playing the statue game as a way to protest the war in Iraq.

In response to the painted man's act of silence, one senior told your correspondent, "I think it's very effective. I think he accomplished what he wanted to do." I disagree totally. To stand motionless for a day does not benefit anyone. It doesn't help our troops abroad. Frankly, our leaders could care less.

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Most Bucknellians that I talked to thought the guy was doing some sort of interactive art project. He had no arguments to raise against war. He changed no one's opinion about war. He may have initiated some discussion about his choice of body paint, but beyond that, he served no one.

His actions are similar to Vietnam protesters who set themselves on fire or lay in streets with heavy traffic. These people were ultimately thirsty for attention. They were fueled, not by the war effort and not by our endangered troops, but out of a need for attention for themselves. They usually succeeded in amassing a certain degree of self-pity, especially if they committed suicide.

Likewise, people who try to fight AIDS can often be seen assembled in rallies with red ribbons. Those people think they're serving sick people, but in reality, their ribbons mean jack squat for a sick person. Their actions don't even affect sick people indirectly. Demonstrations staged by protesters like the painted man should be taken for what they are—meager attempts to draw attention to oneself, in spite of real issues and real arguments that the protester is too cowardly to address.

Sincerely,

Martin Wade '06

Dean of diversity article oversimplifies culture

To the Editor:

Senior Tom Elliott's article "New dean for diversity is a mistake" lackadaisically thunders against several complex issues in a way that misunderstands the nature of multiculturalism and cultural uniqueness. He does so in three main ways: 1) arguing that cultures can be compared, but not providing an actual standard for such evaluation (in fact, he implies that "Western culture" is this yardstick); 2) treating cultures as though they exist in homogenous isolation from all other cultures since time immemorial; 3) examples smacking of nativism, nationalism, racism and an over-reliance on stereotypes in reference to issues that warrant far more complex interpretations.

The implementation of multiculturalism at the University certainly has problems—attempts to educate and celebrate differences often wind up with a good portion of "minority" students pigeonholed and "non-minority" students apathetic—Elliott does not provide a better alternative. His alternative is that we "study not just what some of these societies do right, but what they do wrong," but he doesn't provide an objective standard to do this. He implies that American culture is better than "an Arabic culture" because it doesn't give rise to terrorists. Apparently Elliott has never heard of Ted Kaczinsky or Timothy McVeigh. He might argue that they don't represent American culturo or Americans on the whole. I'd argue that Taliban members don't represent the culture of their societies either.

Culture doesn't drive people to become terrorists because culture is far too complex and constituted by the influence of other cultures over such long periods of time for one to ascribe such a simplistic, reified and mechanistic nature to either. If anything drives someone to terrorism, it is a jingoistic, polarized conception of the world as Elliott seems to hold. Only by constructing the fictitious boundaries between cultures can you begin to believe one culture superior, whether technologically, economically, morally or religiously. Perhaps Elliott would prefer to disregard the existence of "non-Western" civilizations (for example, the "cradle of civilization" located in modern-day Iraq) that have influenced our own so much?

I'd like to know what surah in the Quran Elliott refers to when claiming that the Taliban is indicative of "an Islamic society." He'd also be shocked to find out how apathetic most Americans were to the plight of the Jews before and during World War II. Elliott's examples, essentially, smack of nothing more than a comic-book understanding of history and culture.

Sincerely,

Joseph Trullinger '03

Opinions

The case for accessible stem cell research

By Erin Switzer
Staff Writer

It really is quite striking how much controversy has arisen over a clump of cells. Stem cells are obtained from blastocysts, or 5-day-old embryos leftover in fertility clinics. Many condemn the use of stem cells because their extraction requires the "death" of a human embryo. But these outcries of immorality only indicate the powerful brainwashing effects of religion on society, and an outright lack of concern for others.

Scientists researching stem cells someday hope to learn how to manipulate them to replace tissues and organs damaged by disease or injury. Stem cells' importance centers around their ability to become cells in the brain, heart, bones, muscles and skin in an unlimited quantity. Furthermore, they have the potential to treat Alzheimer's; stroke; heart attack; multiple sclerosis; blood, bone and bone marrow ailments; severe burns; spinal cord injuries; and cancer patients who have lost cells and tissue to radiation and chemotherapy. They might also be used to treat some genetic defects and possibly to repair a damaged brain before birth.

It is infuriating that people are so willing to forsake tremendous health benefits, using closed-minded religious babble to defend their stance on this issue. How can we consider a petri dish of cells to be human in the first place? They do not have their own ideas, thoughts, emotions, desires or intelligence that we would all consider essential distinguishing components of humans. Opponents of embryonic stem cell research seem to be more committed to protecting 5-day-old cells than the rights of millions of people who suffer the pain of debilitating illnesses.

Since August 2001 when Bush limited federal funding to pre-existing stem cell lines in fertility clinics, scientists have had difficulties obtaining them. According to *The New York Times*, frustrated researchers who have countless potential treatments for diseases at their fingertips to test have had to wait for the cells to fully develop and "must go through painstaking negotiations to persuade the companies and universities that own the lines to share them." The problem lies in that there are just 78 self-sustaining cell colonies available.

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It is unethical to allow the government to control how stem cells can be used when they are a product of two human beings. The rights of the individuals involved in creating the cells should not be ignored to please others with opposing opinions. The creators of the embryos should be able to donate them for whatever cause they feel appropriate.

I recently picked up a copy of The Wall Street Journal and discovered two articles. The headline of the first, "Doctors use teen's stem cells in procedure to repair his heart" reported the story of a 16-year-old who was shot in the heart with a nail gun and treated using his own stem cells. Although this miraculous feat shows the progress associated with adult stem cells, it is apparent that there are inherent limitations to their uses. There are uncertainties of how the adult cells, cells taken from a person's own blood stream or bone marrow, will interact once inside the body. Bush, along with conservatives in Congress, argues for the use of adult stem cells as a more ethical alternative to embryonic stem cells, claiming that they can still advance medical care. This argument has proven to be unsubstantiated as evidenced by Dr. Robert Lanza, medical director of Advanced Cell Technology to MSNBC, who said, "The [adult stem] cells have limited clinical potential as they are going to be very difficult-if not impossible-to grow in high enough quantities to be of therapeutic value."

It struck me as odd that further down the page was a caption leading to an article with a headline that read, "Finding a cheaper way to make a baby....In vitro fertilization is offered without drugs to lower costs." The article discussed how in vitro fertilization (IVF) is becoming cheaper. While making IVF more affordable to people is commendable, I find it difficult to stomach that this procedure, once opposed, is now considered a miracle, being made available to more people, while the research of embryonic stem cells is still strongly contested.

During in vitro fertilization, we risk the "death" of the embryo. The fact that this procedure is not met with the same amount of criticism as that of embryonic stem cells reeks of hypocrisy since each situation involves the termination of cell processes, one in the woman's body, and the other on the lab table.

With Bush's policy in place, embryonic stem cell research has moved at an extremely sluggish pace because of tight restrictions on funding. His policy seems inadequate when we consider that it is legal to use embryonic stem cell lines extracted before August but not after.

More federally funded research should be supported because the goal of researchers and scientists is not to exploit the cloning process, but to use these additional embryos to accelerate the lagging U.S. research on the few embryos that still exist. The future for embryonic stem cells is bleak. Although privately funded scientists are not limited in their research, they acknowledge that federal funds are an essential component in the research that tends to be the first step toward any kind of medical breakthrough. Advances in government-funded research will be halted in its tracks when the supply of cell lines run out.

We can only wait for the time when those in power finally realize what miracles stem cells can bring to our society. Until then, millions of Americans will struggle with the idea that improvements in the quality of their lives rest on the research of the remaining 78 federally funded lines of stem cells.

The unseen battle of the laundry room

By Jordy Leiser
Writer

Intense competition. Ruthless opposition. Strategic timing. Monetary stakes. Determination, hard work,and patience. You probably associate these words with the glorious Stanley Cup Playoffs or the military efforts in Iraq. I, on the other hand, think of only one thing when I see those words ... laundry.

The laundry situation in my dorm is the following: If you want to do your laundry at any remotely convenient time of the day, forget about it! There are 6 dryers stacked against 4 washing machines. Common sense would tell you that whenever your clothes are clean, there should always be an available dryer there for you. You could not be more wrong. Two of the dryers aren't even functional and show no signs of life. Two of the dryers are purely spinning machines. Your clothes circulate, round and round and upside down, but no heat is applied. You don't have to be a General Electric Mobile Technician to know that heat is a key element to the drying process. Your clothes come out of said dryers cold, wet, and everything but dry.

Finally, there are two working dryers that dry the living hell out of your clothes. 80 minutes, thermonuclear heat and hasty spinning gets the job done. But, I'm an economics major, I know that demand for a good dryer is increased in my dorm, and an all out brawl for a good dryer will ensue.

After 26 minutes of a thorough cleansing and washing cycle, I find more grass and dirt on my pants than when I originally put my clothes in the washer. These findings are, of course, dependent upon me being able to bypass the flash flood created by starting the machines in the first place.

Attempting to do laundry correctly, completely and efficiently, I decided to hit up the laundry room at 1p.m. last Wednesday. Needless to say, it was a religious experience. I kid you not. It was peaceful, quiet, relaxing and, well ... so money. I started my routine, which is probably flawed beyond belief, and a campus tour passed by. I quickly started putting clothes in piles according to color and did everything I thought I was supposed to do to efficiently do the laundry. Walking passed the laundry room, one of the mothers probably made a snide comment about how I was an idiot because I washing my blue shorts with my yellow shirt on the "permanent press" setting, ruining all my clothes.

Regardless, I preceded to the do the usual two months worth of laundry overflowing three of the four washers. Because I'm cheap and one of the other good dryers was already in use, when my clothes were clean, I decided—as I'm sure many others do as well—to put all of my clothes in one dryer. I threw in my quarters and watched that beautiful dryer do its magic. It is so rare for me to actually get one of the functioning dryers that I literally stood there for at least 20 seconds staring at my entire wardrobe free itself from its stench.

I went back to my room and set an alarm to remind myself to take the clothes out of the dryer because we all know what happens if you don't: You go to dinner, meet up with some friends, decide to go chill at your buddies place and next thing you know, it's 11a.m. the next morning. Of course, it's standard procedure for those waiting in line for the dryer to throw all of your clean clothes on the floor, on top of the washer, out the window or in the small opening of the vending machine. Anyway, I returned to get my clothes and they were, you guessed it, nowhere close to being dry.

I'm too lazy to dry all my clothes again, so I just belted out a few obscenities at the dryer and threw every damp item in my laundry bag. My next task ws to make it up three flights of stairs with enough laundry to fully clothe a small Icelandic village and my greatest challenge thus far as a college student was to avoid pulling my groin or dislodging a lumbar disk. In my room, I was so distressed that I unloaded all my damp clothes on my bed and didn't remove them for 48 hours, sleeping two nights on top of damp, clean clothes. Luckily, every blind squirrel finds an acorn sometimes, and I found one dry shirt, still steaming hot and put it on.

The activity of doing laundry is becoming increasingly problematic and stressful on the mind and body, and I would not be surprised to see more students going downstairs to complete their mission, Operation Guaranteed Failure!

This is what a feminist writes like

By Aaron Hanlon
Senior Writer

Apparently the fact that I'm a politically conservative, pro-life male with moral convictions mandates that I can't be a feminist. If the name of the game is to modify society such that women and men have equal rights under law and equal opportunities; such that sexual harassment and sexual violence become things of the past; such that the patriarchal aspects of culture are neutralized to the extent that women and men are, barring natural, biological differences, the same, some will say that people like me don't qualify to fight for the good guys—I mean—good people. Complain all you want, but I think the National Abortion and Reproductive Rights Action League (NARRAL) and the National Organization for Women are often malignant, Jerry Falwell knows what he's talking about when it comes to abortion, Phyllis Schlafly is smarter than Gloria Steinem, and I'm still a feminist! I may or may not be the kind of feminist you like, but it's going to take a collaborative effort to inspire change.

Just like the obnoxious cliché, "There's more than one way to skin a (insert defenseless animal here)," sorry PETA, we could theoretically achieve the general goals of feminism via different avenues and feminist theories. Naturally, those who subscribe to a particular theory will believe that their theory is the best solution to their problems. But even the best of theories is pragmatically worthless without popular support. This is, in my view, one of the crises of the collective feminist movement: The reality of our situation is that we have a vast array of feminist theories—none of which would or should entirely yield to others—and few of which seem willing to embrace general feminist goals as a cause greater than theory in a practical effort gain the popular support needed to achieve these goals. Instead of clamoring about who's not a feminist, we should be embracing different feminists and feminist theories so long as they are aimed at our general goals of dismantling patriarchy and creating equal opportunity for all. If men have been dominating the world all this time in spite of female resistance, isn't it going to take men working alongside women to make change? If conservatives are the majority in Congress at least half of the time, isn't it going to take conservatives to make change? If there are millions of women throughout the world who feel alienated by aggressively anti-life abortion activists and predominant "women's issue" groups like NARRAL and Planned Parenthood, isn't it going to take pro-lifers to make change? None of these groups should be excluded from feminism as a cause because they have valuable insights into how we can achieve our feminist goals.

Being a conservative male does not mean being a chauvinist or an elitist. I want women to feel safe walking through the streets. I want catcallers to stop. I want my eventual daughter to be treated with respect, play sports if she wants and get paid what she deserves when she gets a job. And if she wants to play with dolls (the realistically-proportional kind), that's fine too. Neo-conservatives are not the same cigar-smoking, sexist robber-baron types depicted in anti-smoking commercials and Economics 103 movies. We believe in equal opportunity, human rights, civility and personal responsibility. These are virtues that many feminist theorists embrace. Being a conservative these days is not anti-woman. These causes are certainly feminist issues, and they certainly can be furthered by any human being, regardless of what kind of sex chromosomes that human being has or what his or her political affiliation may be. To exclude males and conservatives from fighting for these causes is imprudent.

Likewise, pro-lifers can be feminists too. True choice, true reproductive freedom lies in the decision-making process before sex, not after. Lifting the societal pressures and societal sexualizing of women is a step in the right direction. Helping couples realize that sex has risks and consequences is essential. Though I cannot speak from experience, I would imagine that abortion is not an attractive procedure to women who actually have abortions. Standing up for a woman's right to choose what she wants and what her life can accommodate before having sex is an important contribution to feminist thought that is overlooked by the anti-life crowd and simultaneously reinforced by the pro-life movement. These are important thoughts that should not be excluded from the feminist movement simply because they are borne out of a pro-life agenda.

There are different kinds of feminists, often with surprisingly common goals. Reaching out to all kinds in an effort to create a popular movement would allow a far more realistic chance of inspiring change. Though this might require some sacrifice of theoretical principles, reality dictates that there must be a pragmatic solution to our problems. We ought to promote a more inclusive notion of feminism for the good of the movement, rather than bicker about who's in and who's out.

Our new dean should be welcomed

To the Editor:

I am saddened to find that some students on campus do not value the appointment of a new dean for diversity.

I find the points of contact between races and cultures to be complex and delicate ground, requiring a great deal of compassion and understanding in order to navigate them. It is invaluable to our University to have a dean who is dedicated to making opportunities for cultural education and interaction to happen on campus. Senior Tom Elliott's choice of words to describe multiculturalism, such as "simplistic" and "intellectually lazy," are offensive and far from reality. I found the ideas expressed in his article to be insensitive and provoking, not only to minority students at the University, but to everyone who has experienced the gifts that diversity offers.

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As a white American, I feel it is important that we take off our blinders and realize the privileges and disadvantages that come with skin color ... realize that we live in a culture—in a world—in which Western civilization is placed on a high pedestal. Where Elliott said we need to study what some societies do wrong, I propose that we start with ourselves. Not because America is "guilty" and all others "innocent," but because we live in a world where injustice is an epidemic to which no culture or society is immune. One of the major ways we participate in this injustice is simply by allowing ourselves to become complacent and affording ourselves the "luxury" of forgetting that there is a whole world outside these borders.

It is clear that Elliott does not place a value on multiculturalism, and all I can say is, "You are the one who is missing out." In my four years here, my most profound learning has occurred outside of the classroom and in the presence of students who are different than I am. It is in learning about other cultures that I have in turn come to understand my own, and I consider my life all the richer for it. I celebrate the bit of diversity we do have here. I want to see it grow in breadth and depth in the coming years.

I am grateful for our new dean, and I welcome her presence on this campus.

Sincerely,

Sarah McCaughey '03

President Rogers supports student groups

To the Editor:

I just wanted to say that I have been impressed lately with how much support University President Steffen Rogers and his wife, Athena, have been showing for students.

Just this past weekend, I saw both of them at The Silhouettes CD release concert, Admissions Fair and Gospel Choir concert. Both of them also made it a priority to attend and speak to congress at the BSG meeting Sunday.

I know that being president of a university requires a great deal of balancing to manage the various constituencies, including the administration, faculty, students and trustees. And I think last weekend President Rogers definitely illustrated that students are a priority by spending so much of his time enjoying multiple aspects of student life.

Sincerely,

Katy Timer '04
BSG President

More information from Zeta Phi Beta

To the Editor:

The ladies of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. Nu Sigma Zeta Chapter in Harrisburg, Pa., received a copy of the article written regarding the undergraduate chapter of Gamma Iota and the sorority. First let me state that the sorority is very honored to be featured in your newspaper. As the sponsoring graduate chapter, we are thrilled that the Gamma Iota chapter is being reactivated on your campus.

I would like to state there was quite a bit of information in your article that was incorrect regarding the newly reactivated chapter. I understand that the University is very interested in learning about Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. and we would gladly provide you with accurate information and answer any questions that you may have. Since only members of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. have the authority to speak on its behalf and the Gamma Iota chapter currently has no members, please forward any correspondence regarding Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc. to Nu Sigma Zeta Chapter President Evelyn Akers. Her information is:

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The Gamma Iota chapter has no members or officers, as of yet, therefore, Jakita Price '04 cannot be the president. The article also stated that she was one of the four founders—since this is a reactivation process there are no founders. The founders of Gamma Iota chapter were the original members.

Since the membership intake process has not begun, this statement is also inaccurate: "There are officially no members of the upstart sorority besides the four members because the Membership Intake process has not ended yet, so it has not produced any members of the sorority." For the record, the Membership Intake process has not began at Bucknell yet and there are no members!

Thank you for your time and I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Larissa Coleman
Adviser, Gamma Iota Chapter
Nu Sigma Zeta Chapter

2003 Commencement choice disappoints

To the Editor:

The prestige of a university is often measured by the type of the speaker which it draws to graduation. Despite the efforts of the University to associate itself with an Ivy League image, it is fitting that in a time when so many of our graduating seniors are struggling to find jobs, we should reveal our true colors. The University, apparently, is the Deborah Norville of institutions of higher learning. It is not Norville's fault that she was chosen to represent this year's graduating seniors. I hope that we can respect her as she delivers what will certainly be a well-prepared speech. I do not doubt that she can be eloquent and perhaps even profound—given two months notice, anyone could be. But the fact of the matter is, the choice of a commencement speaker is an opportunity for a university to make a symbolic connection with someone in the outside world whose values and qualities match its own.

For Colgate, that person is a Pulitzer Prize winning journalist. For Franklin and Marshall it is the current governor of Pennsylvania. Ursinus and Muhlenburg colleges have the Queen of Jordan and a Pennsylvania senator, respectively. Washington University in St. Louis and Bucknell are supposedly rivals in prestige according to the administration, but does Norville's reputation match that of Madeline Albright, Washington's choice? For some, the commencement speaker puts a stamp of approval on their college degree. "Not only have I earned my diploma," you might say, "but I have earned it from a school that is respected even in the eyes of [inset name here]." For the class of 2003, that name is Deborah Norville, award-winning tabloid news anchor.

Sincerely,

Eric Furst '03

BUSINESS & POLITICS

SARS epidemic paralyzes Asian industries

As the WHO races to find a treatment for SARS, many businesses show symptoms of a economic strain

Courtesy of Reuters

Travelers arrive at Hong Kong International Airport during peak hours. Due to the rapid spread of SARS, the World Health Organization has warned travelers of the risks associated with traveling to southern China and Hong Kong, which has especially hurt the transportation industry.

By Jim Leahy
Senior Writer

There are many drags on business today—the conflict in Iraq, economic trouble in the United States, unrest on the Korean peninsula. The biggest problem may be something we cannot see: Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS).

The SARS epidemic began in Beijing on March 1, about a month before China made the announcement to the world, according to BBC News. The World Health Organization continues to criticize the Chinese government for not warning the world earlier.

Chinese Prime Minister Wen Jiabao said on Monday, "China must insist on stating the facts about the latest developments regarding the outbreak."

According to BBC, Wen went further with his warning. He said that China must responsibly detect additional cases and quarantine those affected. Transport terminals have to be more vigilant. Wen also said that the Chinese economy and the nation's image and society might suffer as well. Many events in China have been canceled and companies around the world are finding other places to do business.

Two of the biggest industries seeing widespread effects from the virus are the airlines and technology companies that have a presence in the Pacific Rim. American airlines are rethinking their strategy in flying to the region and Asian airlines are seeing their business evaporate. Computer companies are seeing consumer purchases increase while their own business practices are changing.

Cathay Pacific, a carrier based in Hong Kong, is fighting off rumors that it will temporarily cease operations.

According to CNN.com, Tony Tyler, the airline's director of corporate development, said, "There are absolutely no plans for Cathay Pacific to ground the passenger fleet. All the memo intended to do was to communicate to a very important segment of the work force—the air crew, the pilots—that times are difficult at the moment."

CNN said that the airline was responding to a leaked internal memo that spoke of the dramatic drop in passenger numbers expected for May. They feel that numbers could be as few as 6,000 per day, which could force the airline to cut flights or even shut down.

"The Association of Flight Attendants has called on the Federal Aviation Administration to require airlines to make masks and gloves available on all flights to and from Asia and within Asia," *The New York Times* reported.

Airline cleaning is also taking on a more important role. *The New York Times* reported that United Airlines gives its planes a cleaning every night and a more thorough cleaning every 15 days. Southwest deep cleans its jets every 28 days with the bathrooms getting a cleaning every 21 days.

Aircraft cleanliness is also causing manufacturers to do things they never have before. According to *The New York Times*, Boeing is recommending to its customers a cleaner called EcoTru. The substance does not damage metal or plastic and is not dangerous to inhale. Airlines are not required to follow the suggestions of Boeing, but, according to the company's spokesperson, many are.

The computer industry is also changing. Telecommuting is bringing many consumers to electronic stores in East Asia, *The New York Times* reported. "In Hong Kong, companies and consumers have bought every desktop, laptop and notebook computer they can find as more and more people work from home—often with their employers' encouragement—for fear of becoming infected if they come to work...Some executives are nervous about how they will manage if the disease continues to spread in the region, which dominates global production of computers and other electronic goods."

The New York Times reported that some companies, including Taiwan's largest computer chip manufacturer, Taiwan Semiconductor, are telling engineers and employees only working in China to remain there and not return home. Some, like Mitsubishi and Sanyo, are even offering to fly families home while the worker remains behind. Still others like Matsushita and Toshiba have had no problems.

Much of this stems from an incident in Singapore where "authorities quarantined 305 Motorola workers last week when a single worker fell ill on the night shift in one of its factories. The company ended up suspending production for one night and then increasing output during morning and afternoon shifts to meet demand," according to *The New York Times*.

The good news is the recent discovery of the virus which causes SARS and a hint on how to treat it. *The Washington Post* reported Thursday, "Dutch scientists have produced the final pieces of evidence needed to conclusively link the microbe, known as a coronavirus, to SARS." This will allow scientists and doctors to treat the epidemic more effectively. Business will remain under distress until signs that the outbreak is under control around the world.

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> *—The New York Times*

Palestinian cabinet criticized

By Emma Post
Staff Writer

On April 14, new Palestinian Prime Minister Mahmoud Abbas and Palestinian leader Yasir Arafat struggled over Abbas' proposed ministers for a new government. Members who felt insulted by the new government, as well as other discontented politicians, also attacked Abbas, Arafat's second in command. There is a long-standing struggle in Palestine between the people's ability to speak up and Arafat's power.

Senior Palestinian officials hope that the new government will be approved by April 18, *The New York Times* reported. Some Palestinians are worrying that Abbas might resign as a result of the criticism he has received. Arafat also has the power to fire Abbas if he feels it is necessary.

The new list for the Palestinian Cabinet contains no women. The widow of Abu Jihad, Arafat's former prime minister, is discontent with this fact. Jihad's widow had been minister of social welfare and has not yet been replaced.

Instead of a new, fresh list of people, many of Arafat's old guard is on the list. According to *The New York Times*, Hasan Khraisheh, an independent legislator, feels "this is a government of security, to arrest people." The new government would ideally create jobs and ease poverty.

Abbas, who has worked closely with Arafat for decades, is a top Palestinian negotiator. He does not have strong public support and has made no attempt to change that since being appointed prime minister a month ago. He spent over three weeks determining his Cabinet in secret. Once these choices were made public Sunday, many of his allies were offended because they were not previously informed of his assignments.

Other politicians found that their delegations or duties had been lessened. Saeb Erekat, an ally of Arafat, is currently the local affairs minister, but is slated to become a minister without portfolio, or just a "minister of state." This generic, unimportant label angered Erekat. "In fact, *The New York Times* reported that Erekat said he would "rather not" be a member of Abbas' government.

Polls issued on April 15 by the Palestinian Center for Policy and Survey Research surprisingly found that 61 percent of Palestinians supported Abbas. But, only 43 percent thought that Abbas could construct a Cabinet that would make the public happy.

According to *The New York Times*, Director of the Palestinian Center Dr. Khalil Shikaki said, "The public has a tough time being convinced that he [Abbas] will be able to reform the political system or control the security situation."

U.S. President George W. Bush and Dov Weisglass, an aid to Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon, were simultaneously working in Washington, D.C., to amend a new peace plan, known as the road map, between Israelis and Palestinians. The United States, the European Union, Russia and the United Nations are proposing this "road map" in order to "impose a plan of action on the two sides that would reduce Palestinian attacks on Israeli civilians while moving towards creation of a Palestinian state," reported *The Washington Post*. Bush will only announce the new peace plan once the new government in Palestine is confirmed.

Many of the members of the Palestinian government are part of the Fatah movement under Arafat, which seeks to preserve Palestine and protect it. Fatah, of which Abbas was a founder, believes that it deserves Jerusalem and hesitates to surrender or negotiate their position.

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> *—Dr. Khalil Shikaki, director of the Palestinian Center*

U.S. warns Syria against harboring Iraqi leaders

By Kyle Schoeneman
Writer

The war in Iraq has prompted the Bush administration to look suspiciously at other similarly governed countries. In the future, the U.S. military may target any nation that supports terrorism or develops weapons of mass destruction. There have been recent reports that Syria has been harboring leaders from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's fallen regime. Evidence of this lies in the arrest of Hussein's half-brother, Watban Ibrahim Hasan al-Tikriti, who was caught this past weekend trying to cross the Syrian border.

U.S. Press Secretary Ari Fleischer made a statement scolding Syria on April 14.

According to *The New York Times*, Fleischer said, "Syria is a nation that has long been on the list of terrorist nations. They should not do that, they should not be that way; no nation should be."

In his statement he also said Syria is a "rogue nation."

According to *The Washington Post*, Fleischer also read a CIA report at his news briefing. The report was sent to Congress last year and claims that Syria has stockpiles of the nerve agent sarin. The report also said the nation is attempting to produce more toxic materials, such as biological agents. Fleischer also said that Syria never signed the treaty banning chemical weapons.

At the news briefing, Fleischer was asked if his remarks about Syria could evolve into military action. He did not speculate on the possibility of his remarks being a threat.

According to *The New York Times*, Fleischer said, "I think that what's next is Syria needs to seriously ponder the implications of their actions in terms of harboring Iraqis who need not and should not be harbored. They should think seriously about their program to develop and to have chemical weapons. I think it's time to think through where they want their place to be in the world."

Fleischer suggested the country exile Hezbollah, a terrorist group that is one of Israel's principle enemies. Fleischer's statement is not the first stern warning to Syria issued by the United States. U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell and U.S. Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld have also made remarks about Syria.

During his address, Fleischer took on a lecturing tone toward Syria. He advised the country to take its place among law-abiding nations.

According to CNN, Fleischer said, "It is time for Syria to understand. This is a day of emerging liberation for the people of Iraq, and it's important for President Assad of Syria, who is a new leader, a young man, to understand that the future needs to be different from the past and that the Iraqi people deserve no less; the region deserves no less."

According to *The Washington Post*, Syrian officials denied the charges made against them. The Syrian ambassador, Imad Moustapha, called the accusations "a campaign of misinformation and disinformation" used to distract from the "human catastrophes" taking place in Iraq. According to CNN, Syrian Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Bouthaina Shaaban denied the accusation that Syria was giving refuge to officials of the collapsed Iraqi regime.

"Nobody would even ask to come to us, because there is no good relation at all between Iraq and Syria," Shaaban said.

She also denied the development of any chemical weapons. According to *The Washington Post*, Shaaban told Reuters, "We say to him [Bush] that Syria has no chemical weapons and that the only chemical, biological and nuclear weapons in the region are in Israel, which is threatening its neighbors and occupying their land."

British Foreign Secretary Jack Straw said that Washington and London have no plans to invade Syria. According to *The New York Times*, Straw said that there are "important questions" that need to be answered about the Syrian weapons program.

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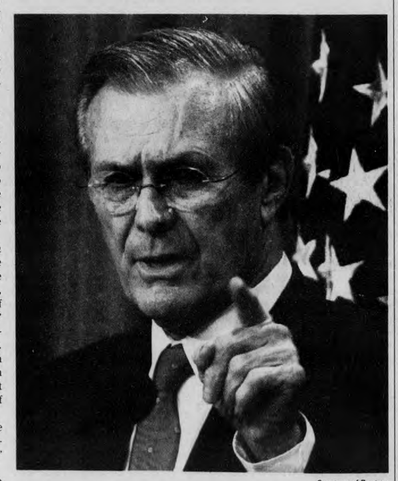

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U.S. Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld discusses the ongoing situation in Iraq. With major fighting coming to an end in Iraq, Rumsfeld and other members of the Bush administration have increased pressure on Syria to discourage it from accepting Iraqi leaders fleeing coalition forces.

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Track records fall as the temperature rises

By Evan Honeyfield
Senior Writer

Perfect conditions over the weekend allowed the University to host one of the best track invitationals that Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium has held in years. The University took advantage of the competition and the excellent weather at the Bucknell Outdoor Classic to make many breakthroughs in distance and time.

Friday night's distance carnival under the lights lived up to its billing as three track records fell and a host of Bison scored wins and personal bests. The action early saw American University runner Shane LeBeau set a 5,000-meter run track record, pulling Stephen Schaefer '04 and Doug Creveling '05 to personal bests by over 30 seconds each. Samia Akbar, also of American, set the women's 5,000 track record 30 minutes later.

Not to be outdone, Dan Lounsbury '05 set the track record in the 10,000-meter (30 minutes, 45 seconds), qualifying for the IC4A meet a short while later. Shawn Algiers of St. Francis University paced Lounsbury through 6,400 meters, leaving Lounsbury alone for the last 3,600 meters, resulting in a 2:41 personal best.

"There is a point in every race where you just need to forget everything, splits or pain, and just race all out," Lounsbury said. "That's what I did those last two miles, and with the support of the entire stadium, I pulled through with a great time. This meet was the best overall team performance this season so far. I was excited to see our middistance and distance runners perform up to their potential."

The women's 10,000-meter race was considerably closer, with a lead pack of three together until the last 25 meters. Coming down the homestretch, Katie Pfeifer '05 pulled out the win.

"I was very pleased with my performance," Pfeifer said. "I was able to stay on pace and to keep my momentum going."

Head Coach Kevin Donner was very happy with the distance races.

"Pfeifer ran a great 10k to make the all-time top 10 list and Dan Lounsbury has put himself at a new level. He has a lot of confidence right now and is very hungry to continue training hard," Donner said.

Saturday's events gave Donner even more reasons to be happy. Noel Powell '04 continued his dominance by winning the 200-meter dash (21.34) and placing second in a very competitive 100-meter dash (10.64).

In the 200, Powell, who tends to come out of the blocks rather slowly, ran with the field around the corner. Coming down the straightaway, Powell put a huge gap between himself and the competition for the impressive win.

The men's 800-meter run turned into one of the most exciting races of the day as Eric Furst '03 made the top 10 list, finishing third. Through the 400 meters, which went in 57 seconds, Furst was in the middle of a 12-man field.

In the final 200 meters, Furst made a strong move that pushed him to his final time of 1:53, a half second behind the winner and a half second in front of teammates Aaron Hanlon '04 and Lou Palma '03.

The Bison hurdlers also had big days all around as Kiley MacDonald '05 won both the women's 100-meter hurdles and 400-meter hurdles, and Mike Mellas '05 set a personal best in the men's 400-meter hurdles.

"I was very happy with all our hurdlers," Donner said.

Along with the wins, Donner

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Cecily Cairns—*The Bucknellian*

Jamie Lilian '04 exercises perfect form in the 100-meter high hurdles April 12. Lilian placed third behind teammates Kiley MacDonald '05 and Edwina Bourn '03, who finished first and second in the race, respectively.

Cecily Cairns—*The Bucknellian*

Jamie Gow '06 negotiates the water pit on Friday night. Gow finished third in a quick 11:45.04.

Bison take 3-game lead in P.L.

Bison take three of four from Lehigh to strengthen their lead

By Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

The Bucknell baseball team continued its reign over the Patriot League last weekend, taking three games of a four-game series against Lehigh. The wins increased the Bison's league record to 9-3 and to 17-8 overall. The 9-3 mark gives the Bison a comfortable three-game lead over second-place Navy's 6-4 mark.

The Orange and Blue split a doubleheader at Lehigh on April 12, winning 3-1 and losing 0-4. The Bison swept the Mountainhawks in a doubleheader on April 13 with 1-0 and 6-3 victories. The first game on Sunday saw Phil Futrick '06 break the school record for saves in a single season as he earned his eighth save in the shutout.

The series was an excellent finale to the team's Patriot League success on the road all year and also gave the Bison a bit of revenge.

"The key for any championship-caliber team is being able to win on the road," Kevins Burns '03 said. "This year so far, all 12 league contests have been on the road, and we have had great success. Beating Lehigh three out of four times was payback for what they did to us last year on our field in the post-game celebration."

The three wins also have the team looking ahead to postseason hopes.

"We have put ourselves in a terrific position to make the postseason, and possibly host the tournament," Assistant Coach Rick Ciccione said.

The team kicked off the weekend with a strong win over the Mountainhawks on Saturday. The Bison started the scoring in the third inning, when Phil Bunting '05 singled, advanced to second on a Steve Stutzman '04 sacrifice and scored on a Ben Stoll '04 single.

Lehigh managed to get on the scoreboard with a tying run in the fourth, but the Bison jumped back on top with a two-run sixth inning. Crafty baserunning helped the Bison once again, as Stoll, who had reached second on an error, and Sam Moss '04, who had reached first on a walk, executed a double-steal. With runners on second and third, Brian Day '05 singled to knock in a run and give the Bison a 2-1 lead. Moss then scored as Brian Hirschberg '04 reached on a fielder's choice to pad the score at 3-1.

Futrick finished off the Mountainhawks to earn his seventh save of the year. He pitched a one-two-three inning, striking out the final two batters.

Kevin Miller '04 outdueled three-time Patriot League Pitcher of the Week Jack Muscalis to earn the win and improve his team-best record to 5-0. He pitched six innings, allowing just one run on four hits while striking out five. He continues to lead the team in strikeouts, fanning 31 batters on the season.

The duo led off a weekend that was once again headlined by strong Bison pitching.

"The Lehigh series was another example of outstanding pitching performances," Head Coach Gene Depew said.

Ciccione agreed that the pitching was paramount.

"Our pitching was masterful once again in shutting down a potent Lehigh offense," Ciccione said. "I can't say enough about the competitiveness of our pitching, which has come through time and again in close games. While we didn't get the bats going until game four, our pitching was able to hold down the fort until the offense came through."

In the second game of the day, the Bison offense was shut out for the first time this season, losing 0-4 to Lehigh. The Orange and Blue could only manage two hits all afternoon and, aside from one prolific fourth inning, Lehigh's bats were equally lethargic.

Starting pitcher R.J. Grant '03 struggled in the fourth inning, but was effective throughout the rest of the game. He took the loss, pitching all six innings and allowing six hits and four earned runs. Four of the hits and all of the runs came in the one rough inning, while Grant held Lehigh scoreless through the rest of his outing.

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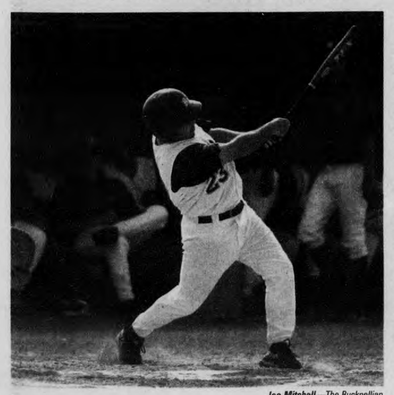
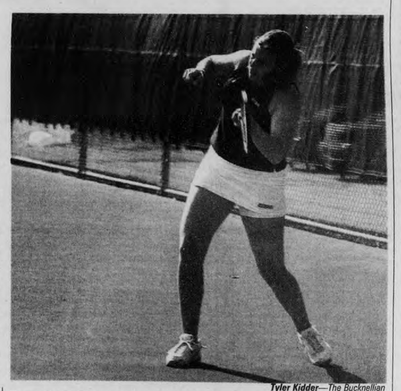


Joe Mitchell—*The Bucknellian*

Ben Krentzman '03 takes a swing during a game on Wednesday against Duquesne. Krentzman had a pair of hits in the series at Lehigh.



Tyler Kidder—*The Bucknellian*

Tanya Sichko '05 prepares to hit the ball on Tuesday. The women's tennis team won the match 6-1 at home over tough opponent Bloomsberg.

Women's tennis dominates, men falter

By Pat Evans
Sports Editor

The Bison women's tennis team improved to 14-3 after beating Division II perennial powerhouse Bloomsburg 6-1 at home. Earlier in the week the Bison beat Villanova 6-1, Vermont 5-2 and dropped a close match to Binghampton 4-3. The men's team has suffered four competitive losses in a row to Binghampton 5-2, Colgate 5-2, Lehigh 4-3 and Bloomsburg 6-1.

The women bounced back from their loss to Binghampton and won all but one singles match en route to a 6-1 drubbing of Bloomsburg. Tanya Sichko '05 teamed up with Jill Wurzburg '03 to win the first doubles match 8-3, and Rheanna Gaskin '06 joined Sam Berthod '03 to secure the doubles point.

"We expected to win coming into this match," Berthod said. "But we played tough and pulled through."

The Bison have viewed their last four non-league matches as preparation for their upcoming Patriot League play when they will face off against Army and American this coming weekend.

"Bloomsburg was a big match to win," Berthod said. "We needed all the practice we could get before Patriots and that is how we looked at this one."

The Bison were coming off a three-match road trip prior to the Bloomsburg match, beginning with a win over Villanova 6-1. The Herd took the doubles point and five of six singles against the Wildcats with all of their wins completed in just two sets.

"We knew we would have to play well to beat Villanova," Helt said. "And we played outstanding across the board."

The Bison would be without Wurzburg, who normally plays at the No. 3 flight for the next two matches against Vermont and Binghampton. The team was able to

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Women's water polo places fifth overall in tournament

By Pat Evans
Sports Editor

The Bison women's water polo team dropped its first game of Southern Championships at Kinney Natatorium against rival George Washington 9-7, but won three straight games to finish fifth overall in the tournament. By beating Villanova 9-8 in overtime in the final game, the Bison earned a 10th seed in Eastern's next weekend to be held in Boston.

The opening game against George Washington proved to be as close as the Bison had expected it to be coming into the game. The two teams had split their games in the regular season with the Bison taking the first by one goal and losing the second by one.

This time George Washington got off to a good early start, holding a 4-2 lead at halftime. The Bison fought hard and managed to battle back in the third quarter as Kaitiln Bardoe '06 received a pass from Katie Stahler '03 and put one in over the goalie's head to bring them within one. Stahler then backhanded in a pass from Cody Keffer '05 to tie the score at four and give the Bison the momentum.

The Herd gained the lead when Eileen Ketterer '05 scored with 5:10 remaining in the third period and the Bison clung to a 7-6 advantage at the end of three. But the fourth quarter was all George Washington, as they outscored the Bison 3-0 to take the win 9-7.

"We felt like this was our time to beat them," Head Coach John Zeigler said. "It was disappointing to have been up by one after coming back and then to let it slip away."

The loss ruined the Bison's chances of finishing in the top 4 of the tournament, which would have guaranteed the team placement in Eastern's, one of the team's goals all season. Nevertheless the Bison maintained a positive attitude, knowing that by winning their remaining games they could capture an at-large bid to the tournament.

"The George Washington loss was tough because we felt like we could've won in our home pool," Keffer said. "But we knew we had played a good game so we didn't get down and picked it up and played solid for our last three."

The Bison came out with a vengeance against their next opponent, Washington and Jefferson, jumping out to a 7-0 lead after the first quarter and never looking back, going on to win 19-3. Meg Blitzer '05 scored a season-high four goals in the contest and Ketterer added three of her own, while Bardoe tallied one goal and an assist.

"We knew we had worked hard in the loss against George Washington and we just wanted to go out there and work even harder," Bardoe said. "We used the loss as motivation."

Slippery Rock, the next Bison opponent, also fell victim to the Bison's rampage, losing 14-3. The Bison held a 3-1 lead with three minutes remaining in the first quarter before turning it on and rattling off the next eight goals of the contest including a 5-0 second quarter effort.

"Slippery Rock is a pretty good team," Zeigler said. "But we played very aggressively and didn't give them a chance to gain momentum. We controlled that one for all four quarters."

The two commanding wins set up the game for fifth place in the tournament between the Bison and Villanova. The Bison got the best of

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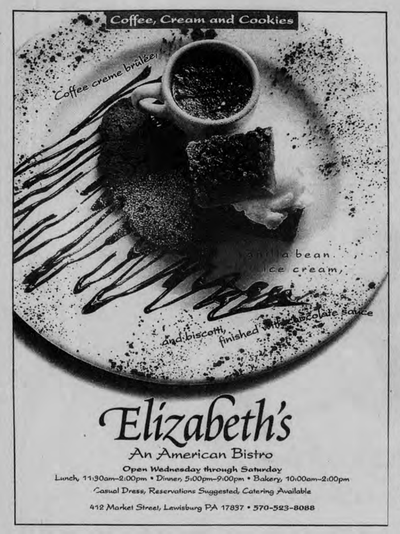

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Cycling team heads to Nationals

By Brent Butler
Sports Editor

The Bison community has always had many strong club teams that have stood out for the University as exemplary organizations. Over the weekend the men's cycling team proved it is one of these organizations at the Army Spring Classic by capturing third in the team time trial and accumulating enough points throughout the season to go to Nationals.

The cycling team has been a part of the University community since the early 1990s. The team's popularity, along with its roster size, has waned and expanded depending on the level of commitment of the cyclists each year.

This year, behind captain Ben Turits '03, the five-man cycling team has proven a very competitive team throughout the East Coast.

"We have been racing since the first weekend in March every weekend, picking up points here and there. Finally, last week at the Army Spring Classic we picked up a third-place finish in the time trial, which gained us enough points to reach Nationals," Turits said.

All five members—Kyle Lobisser '06, Brad Schaeffer '03, Adam Swank '05, Rich Swanson '04 and Turtis—performed well at the Army Spring Classic, but it was the third-place finish in the team time trial that placed the team in contention for Nationals next month.

In the team time trial each team begins the race with four racers, and throughout the course of the 12.8-mile race, the racers work as a team to maneuver through the competition and try to get three of the four to the front of the pack. Turtis crossed the line first, followed shortly by Schaeffer and Swanson with a final time of 32 minutes, 22 seconds. As soon as Swanson's front tire crossed the finish line the clock stopped and the Bison amassed enough points to head to Nationals.

Turits has picked up many top 10 finishes throughout the season. On March 8, Turits placed second at the Penn State road race in Redding, Pa.

Compared to a lot of other teams, the Bison squad is fairly inexperienced in the cycling field. Turtis was 14 when he first began biking competitively.

"I'd always been an endurance runner and wanted to continue in an endurance sport," Turits said. "Cycling was something different that no one else was doing. After the sponsorships started coming in and paying for my gear, it basically became a free sport that was a lot of fun."

As the only first-year student on the squad and a newcomer to the sport in general, Lobisser has done extremely well throughout the season. Lobisser originally intended to play baseball for the Bison, but after a painful arm injury he was forced to the sidelines. Lobisser saw the cycling team practicing and felt it would be a great way to continue with a sport.

"I'm definitely continuing with cycling for my years at Bucknell," Lobbisser said.

Next week the cycling team travels to the University of New Hampshire to compete in the Eastern Collegiate Championships.

"We really want to put together a good time trial again for Easterns," Lobisser said. "I think if we could really come in the top three again if we pull together."

Most people do not realize the incredible amounts of teamwork that is required in cycling. The team time trial is just one example of the joint effort which is required in order to pull out a victory. The fact that the time for the third racer from each team is the only time that counts shows the incredible reliance on the team in order to have a good race.

With the points they gained by taking third, the Bison qualified for the Nationals in Berkley, Calif. from May 9-11. The entire team qualified for Nationals, but unfortunately Swanson will be unable to attend due to prior commitments. Without Swanson the other four members will have to step up and move as one through the field if they want to place in the top of pack.

"The road race course for Nationals is one of the toughest in the country, but we are all pretty good climbers," Turits said. "We will use the team and try and get through the competition."

The remaining four members of the cycling team will head out to California after finals in order to prepare for the competition.

"If we focus on the team trial and focus on working as a team, I really believe that we can medal in the team time trial," Turits said.

Cycling

Past and Present:

The history of cycling has seen many changes throughout the years. The following is a short synopsis of the changes throughout the cycling world.

1817: Hobby Horse Bicycle: Two wheels the same size added to essentially a modified hobby horse. The alignment of the front wheel is fixed. The are no peddles so the bike propelled by pushing off with your feet and the bike was steered by leaning. It was made entirely of wood.

1863: Bone Shaker or Velocipede: Made of stiff materials, straight angles and steel wheels make this bike literally a bone shaker to ride over the cobblestone roads of the day. The improvement is a front wheel with peddles.

1871: Ordinary: These are better know as the "high wheelers." It is more comfortable to ride than its predecessor, but it requires an acrobat so they popularity has always been limited. This was the first all metal machine to appear.

1880s: Many mechanical innovations now associated with the automobile were originally invented for tricycles. Rack and pinion steering, the differential and band brakes, to name a few!

1888: Pneumatic tire: First applied to the bicycle, everyone clamored to ride the bicycle.

1890: Safety Bike: Further improvement of metallurgy sparked the next innovation. This is basically the same design as standard contemporary bikes. The safety bike allowed large numbers of people to take up cycling. Bikes were relatively expensive so use was somewhat restrict to the elite.

1890: Mass Production: Women would also start riding bicycles in much larger numbers.

1900: Major Taylor was the American cycling sprint champion, and he topped all European champions as well. Taylor was one of the first black athletes to become a world champion in any sport. (Taylor is celebrated in Andrew Ritchie's the book "Major Taylor.")

1920: Kids Bikes: The focus of planning and development of the transportation infrastructure was the private automobiles.

1970: Earth Day: This movement generated a new spurt in the growth of bicycle sales and bicycling, especially around college campuses.

1973: Oil embargo: Many of the new recruits to bicycling stuck to it after the end of the embargo and became enthusiasts.

1980s: Renewed interests in health and fitness, by the middle and upper class perpetuated the acceptance and growth of commuting, recreational and touring bicycling.

1984: Successes by American racing cyclist in the 1984 Olympics drew attention and added prestige to cycling. The ranks of racing cyclists grew substantially. Cogs began to be added to the rear gear cluster the number of speeds increase from 15 to 18, 21 and 24.

1996: Mountain bikes begin competition at the Olympic Games.

1986: Department of the Interior and Nielson surveys show that bicycling is the third most popular participatory sport after swimming and general exercise.

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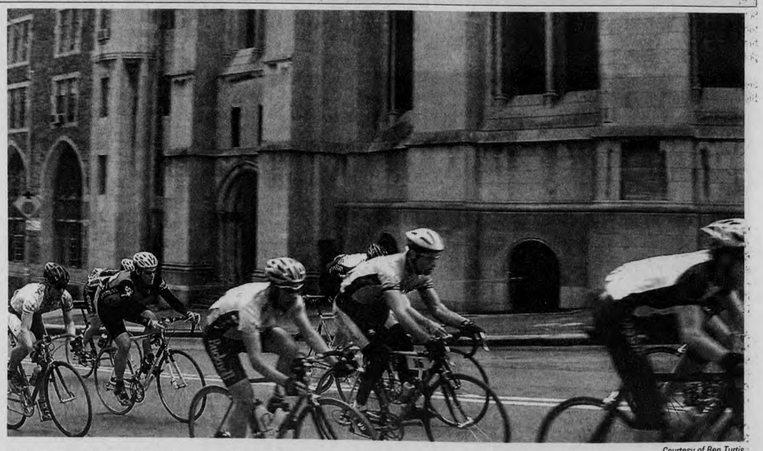

Courtesy of Ben Turtis

Bison racer Ben Turtis '03 speeds through the competition at a recent event. At the Army Spring Classic last week Bucknell placed third in the team time trial lead by Turtis. With the bronze they accumulated enough points in order to reach Nationals in California on May 9-11.

Sports Ops

Cecily Cairns Classic Corner

Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

Who needs the W column, anyway?

There's nothing quite like the first month of baseball season. After valiantly struggling to assign meaning to the events of spring training for a month, the media has schlepped its way back from the sunny innocuousness of Florida's baseball playground and into a mosh-pit of reporting that annually erupts on opening day and leaves writers scrabbling for breaking news every day thereafter until the last game of the World Series has been played.

Evaluations and interpretations come flying in from every angle. Greg Maddux must be on the verge of meltdown. Or perhaps he's just in a little slump, no cause for a ruckus. Pedro, he's just going downhill like marbles in the streets of San Francisco. Or maybe one bad game doesn't mean a thing. Mark Prior is an unworldly vessel of superior pitching, sent straight from the baseball gods to appease generations of Cubs fans for the scars of seasons passed. Or maybe he's just ... an unworldly vessel of superior pitching, sent straight from the baseball gods to appease generations of Cubs fans for the scars of seasons passed.

Much has transpired in the budding weeks of April. Darryl Strawberry has been released back into the wild, Bull Durham has ignited a tooth-and-claw spar between the National Baseball Hall of Fame and a pair of vitriolic Hollywood peace-preachers, and the perpetually unappreciated Expos have been pulling in reasonable attendance numbers—in Puerto Rico.

And, of course, the Detroit Tigers are off to another crackerjack start. That they finally managed to sneak in a win in game 10 might be a mini-miracle. After a 0-11 adventure to kick off the 2002 season, the 2003 Tigers have come roaring back to ensure the credibility of the old adage that history repeats itself.

This time they only dropped the first nine games of the season, but it's nonetheless a newsworthy display of ineptitude.

Ineptitude is kind of fun, at least for those of us watching from afar. Fans love lousy teams. So do sportswriters. It's somehow comforting to be able to chuckle at the collective misfortunes of a team like the Tigers.

Laughing at—and immortalizing—baseball's blunderers is an act of rich tradition through the sport's history. If not rich, at least a little colorful. Being self-destructively slow-out-of-the-gate isn't really a distinction any of the league's 30 teams are gunning for, but some teams throughout the past century have left their mark that way.

The 1904 Washington Senators set the standard for awkward beginnings in major-league baseball. The team was so terrible that they could even be considered bad by Senators-Nationals-Senators-Twins-Senators-Rangers standards.

Washington fans, in the early decades of the 20th century, had no choice but to seek humor in their team's yearly disastrous efforts. They even coined an unofficial motto, a slightly bastardized version of the then-familiar tribute to their city's namesake: "First in war, first in peace and last in the American League."

The Senators/Nationals took 12 years of existence to finally nail down a winning season. Before that, they were the epitome of bad. And 1904 epitomized the epitome. The team finished with a 38-113 record—last in the standings and last or near last in just about every statistical category that could possibly be construed as relevant.

What set the squad apart from other cruddy teams throughout history was its notoriously lethargic start. The team set a record by failing to pick up a win in its first 13 games of the season—a streak that went unequalled for 16 years and unbroken for 84.

The first team to equal the Senators' stumbling start was none other than the Detroit Tigers. The terrible Tigers of 1920 also dropped their first 13, but whereas the 1904 Senators managed to scrape out a tie in the midst of their winless streak, the Tigers put up a genuine 0-fer in the first two weeks of play. It was May before they finally came up with a 5-1 victory over the Indians, halting the skid and avoiding the notoriety of breaking one of baseball's more undignified records.

A losing streak of that proportion is bad anytime in the season, but when it comes at the beginning of the season, it has to invoke the subtle fear that perhaps the team will never win a game. The fear may never have been stronger than it was for the 1988 Baltimore Orioles.

The '88 Orioles are simply legendary as far as unfortunate beginnings go. They didn't just break the Senators' and Tigers' record—they obliterated it. The Uh-Oh-rioles reeled through 21 losses to start off the year, setting a new standard for ineptitude in the modern sports world.

Just five years removed from a World Series championship, Baltimore's squad had already crumbled enough that there weren't a lot of lofty expectations for them in 1988. But the Orioles outdid everyone's doubt by stringing together a 1-22 April, the worst month in modern baseball history.

The Birds lost track of North pretty much as soon as they took off, getting drummed 12-0 in their season opener. By four games in, they'd been sucked into a jet engine. Opponents had scored a combined 30 runs; the Orioles plated a measly two runners.

After game six, the team dumped manager Cal Ripken Sr., following in the footsteps of the 1904 Senators, who had fired Tom Loftus a week before their season even started. Evidently, it wasn't the answer for either franchise. The Orioles' art of incompetence ran far deeper than managerial tactics.

By the time the flightless Birds had found their footing—something lit a fire beneath their tailfeathers as they annihilated the White Sox 9-0 in the 22nd game of the season—they had set records for longest losing streak to open a season, longest losing streak in American League history and worst record over the course of a month.

But the Orioles managed to turn things around in 1989, with new uniforms and new fortune—they even made a run for the pennant, finishing second in the AL Eastern Division.

The 2003 Tigers managed to string together two consecutive opening efforts in which they lost at least their first eight games. Only one other team has done that—the team that provides historians with the textbook definition of bad beginnings, the ever-flamboyant and always-headturning New York Mets.

The Mets introduced themselves to the National League with a 40-120 record in their first season, 60 games out of the pennant chase. The squad didn't find the win column until game number 10, zipping through the first nine without securing a win.

If they didn't do enough to stamp themselves as laughably bad in their first season, the Mets earned a gold star for consistency by repeating the faulty start in 1963. They fumbled through the first eight before picking up the pace enough to finish 51-111—a precocious step up in class from 1962.

The Tigers have taken it a step further, compiling two nine-loss starts in two years. Are they really that bad, though? Their .159 team batting average doesn't bode too well for them, nor do their four home runs through Wednesday. But hey, their team ERA is only 21st in the league.

Whether or not they rank among the worst teams of all-time isn't really clear. But they've certainly placed themselves in serious company when it comes to bad beginnings.

It's hard to decide whether to laugh or pity them—it's not like they aren't *trying* to win. Heck, maybe they can still turn things around. They do have a handful of decent young pitchers. They just need a little spark in the offense.

Maybe Darryl Strawberry's looking for a job.

Me like sportz

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Street cred predictions

Jerry Krause, general manager of the Chicago Bulls, stepped down two weeks ago citing health problems. The unlovable big man, who bears a greater resemblance to a basketball than a basketball player, finally resigned from a post he's held for 18 years. It was about time ... the chocolate river was dried up and the rest of the Oompaloompas were getting sick of Krause's Hershey squirts.

The saddest part is his weight problem had gotten so bad that Bulls owner Jerry Reinsdorf had worked incentives into his contract for Krause to lose weight. Now putting weight stipulations into a player's contract like Mo Vaughn of the New York Mets I can understand. Mo has to hit; he has to field. He's moving around—that's a lot of motion for a planet. Krause was a GM. All he had to do was NOT have a heart attack. Is that so difficult?

Krause's legacy was a "spotty" one. Though he wasn't responsible for drafting Michael Jordan, he did bring in everyone else who made those championship teams successful. He was responsible for drafting Scottie Pippen, the world's favorite "runner-up," and Toni Kukoc from Croatia before European scouting ever became popular. Not to mention he was responsible for the signing of Horace Grant and Dennis Rodman, two big men who were essential to the Bulls success in the '90s.

And let's not forget the fact that he gave Phil Jackson his first coaching job ... perhaps that wasn't the best pro-Krause argument. Phil Jackson is living proof that Ugly and Dumb had a lovechild. Talk about being in the right place at the right time: Pippen and Jordan ... Kobe and Shaq ... let's ride Jackson's carcass to Vegas and play some craps, whaddaya say? Come on Steven, poppa needs a No. 1 pick.

A lot of people want to see Jordan return to Chicago after his "retirement." Jordan and Bill Parcells should start a multi-retirees club. Only the caveat is that Bill Parcells has to don the gear and play a season for the Cowboys ... he could only improve their defensive line. Then they should buy out the Montreal Expos, bring Gary Carter and Pete Rose back and move them all to Washington.

But what is it about Jordan's return to the Bulls that seems appealing? He's proven he doesn't work well with youngsters (Kwame Brown, for instance). He's proven he can't share responsibility (he doesn't seem to cooperate too well with Jerry Stackhouse). His grand experiment in Washington hasn't been all that impressive (they're fighting with the Bucks for the last playoff spot).

Krause, for all his girth, was an excellent talent scout. Jordan? Jordan has how much scouting experience? Jordan couldn't tell a spring chicken was raw if the E. coli were dancing the tarantella across his bald scalp. Not that the probable successor to Krause would be much better: John Paxson (you may remember him from such game-winning three-pointers as 1993, game 6, Phoenix Suns) seems to be the heir apparent and he has about as much experience scouting as Shaq has acting ability. KAZAAM!

Luckily, the Bulls will have a little time to do their search properly since the playoffs are just around the corner and those last about as long as J. C. Payne's unraveled ball of string.

Unfortunately, the next GM (whoever he may be—yes, "he" ... sexist organization) won't have the pleasure of a lottery pick to work with. Unlike Krause, who used many first round picks to sign Chandler, Curry, Crawford and Williams, the new GM will have to rely on a free agent pool weaker than a Colin Powell Security Council meeting.

What the Bulls need to do is trade Donyell Marshall for one of the top-three picks and draft LeBron James. Then they need to sign Jason Kidd and Tim Duncan. Then they could start Chandler, Duncan, Jalen Rose, LeBron and Kidd. With this power-packed lineup, the Bulls could finally be just good enough to not be as bad as the Clippers.

But let us leave at least with the memory of a healthy Krause, sitting at the draft table with a bucket of crispy strips in his lap, having his assistant turn the pages for him so he doesn't get honey mustard all over his graphs and flowcharts.

All jokes aside, Krause was a good man who was treated poorly by the "saintly" Jordan. He did great work for a great organization for a great number of years. ESPN.com writer Sam Smith speculated, "Who knows what the childhood was like, but you can only imagine. The short, fat kid wanting to hang around with the jocks and show them he belonged. It was a lifetime pursuit. But you know how the jocks are. Want it too much, and they take it away from you and throw it around and make you chase it. For Krause, it was acceptance. The more he wanted it, the farther he had to reach."

Let's hope that a good man is able to find what he's craved for so long. Feel better, Jerry.

MLB 2003: Is the apocalypse upon us?

By Mark Walker
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After two weeks of the 2003 major-league baseball season, we have witnessed some unbelievable early season surprises that not even the smartest minds in the baseball world could have predicted. Players that have always dominated have seemingly forgotten how to play, and teams that have always been front-runners now find themselves near the basement of the league and vice versa. This begs the question: Is the major-league baseball apocalypse upon us?

It certainly would seem so if you take a look at the performance of the league's top four starting pitchers over the past three seasons. Randy Johnson, Curt Schilling, Pedro Martinez and Greg Maddux have all gotten off to atrocious starts.

The Arizona Diamondbacks' one-two punch of Johnson and Schilling has been torn apart early this season. Johnson, the league's most dominant and intimidating pitcher for almost a decade now, has had no advantage over opposing batters this year. He is 0-2 in his first three starts and has an ERA of 8.31. Schilling has also struggled this season, although not to the same magnitude as Johnson. He is also 0-2 in his first three starts, and has an ERA of 5.40, a full two points above his career average.

Martinez, a three-time Cy Young Award winner, is also yet to find the win column in 2003. He is 0-1 in his first three starts and has accrued an ERA of 5.12, almost double his career average.

Maddux has fared the worst of all the big-name pitchers, as he got shelled in his first three starts before rebounding with a solid fourth outing. Despite the strong fourth start, his ERA sits at an incredible 8.27, having allowed 19 earned runs in just 20 innings. Even worse, opponents are batting .304 this season off of Maddux, compared to their career average of .224.

Another sign that the baseball world is being turned upside down can be found in Kansas City, where the lowly Royals jumped out to an incredible 9-0 start and have accumulated a 3.5 game lead in the American League Central. During this stretch, the Royals are tied with Montreal for having allowed the fewest runs in the majors and have outscored their opponents 60-32. This is a drastic turnaround for a team that finished 62-100 last year and has not finished above .500 since the strike-shortened '94 season.

The National League standings have also been shaken up early in the 2003 campaign. In the National League East, the Atlanta Braves, winners of the division for the past 11 seasons (excluding the strike-shortened '94 season), have fallen into fourth place with a 5-8 start. The greatest shock is that the Braves, a team historically known for its dominant pitching, are leading the majors in runs allowed, with 87. While the Braves have faltered, the Montreal Expos have taken control of first place, despite having not yet played a game north of the border. During their 9-4 start, the Expos' pitching staff has been dominant, limiting its opponents to a mere 32 runs.

Meanwhile, in the National League West, the Diamondbacks, winners of the division for the past two seasons, have gotten off to a 3-10 start and already find themselves an incredible nine games behind the San Francisco Giants for first place.

Before you start building your bunkers, repenting your sins and wrapping your house in plastic and duct tape, you must realize that not everything in the world of baseball has been turned upside down so far in the 2003 season.

The Yankees are still the Yankees. After two weeks, they have built a three-game division lead with a 10-2 record and seem primed to make another run for the World Series.

On the other side of New York, the Mets are continuing to grossly underachieve. Mo Vaughn, Roberto Alomar, Jeromy Burnitz and Roger Cedeño still cannot remember how to hit a baseball, and Armando Benitez is still giving Mets fans ulcers, with three blown saves.

The Detroit Tigers are still the Detroit Tigers. Last year, it took Detroit 12 games to notch their first victory of the season. This year, despite hiring a new manager in hometown hero Alan Trammell, it took the Tigers 10 games to find the win column.

Oh yeah, one more thing—that Bonds guy in San Francisco—he is still hitting a lot of homeruns!

All statistics in this article are as of 4/15/03.

Statistics

BUCKNELL BISON

Baseball
April 13
Bucknell 1, Lehigh 0
Score by Innings R H E
Bucknell 010 000 0 - 1 4 0
Lehigh 000 000 0 - 0 4 0

April 13
Bucknell 6, Lehigh 3
Score by Innings R H E
Bucknell 020 310 0 - 6 9 3
Lehigh 100 200 0 - 3 6 1

April 12
Bucknell 3, Lehigh 1
Score by Innings R H E
Bucknell 001 002 0 - 3 5 1
Lehigh 000 100 0 - 1 4 1

April 12
Bucknell 0, Lehigh 4
Score by Innings R H E
Bucknell 000 000 0 - 0 2 1
Lehigh 000 400 X - 4 6 0

April 16
Bucknell 3, Duquesne 15
Score by Innings R H E
Duquesne 215 003 4 - 15 18 0
Bucknell 030 000 0 - 3 3 4

April 16
Bucknell 6, Duquesne 4
Score by Innings R H E
Duquesne 300 001 0 - 4 4 2
Bucknell 105 000 X - 6 7 2

Softball
April 13
Bucknell 3, Colgate 3
Score by Innings R H E
Bucknell 020 000 0 - 2 3 0
Colgate 102 000 X - 3 8 1

April 13
Bucknell 5, Colgate 2
Score by Innings R H E
Bucknell 020 010 0 - 3 5 2
Colgate 002 010 1 - 4 6 2

April 12
Bucknell 2, Colgate 5
Score by Innings R H E
Bucknell 001 000 1 - 2 6 3
Colgate 212 100 X - 6 7 1

Water Polo
April 13
Bucknell 9, Villanova 8 (2OT)
Score by Quarter 1 2 3 4 5 6 TOT.
Villanova 3 1 0 3 0 1– 8
Bucknell 3 3 0 1 1 1– 9

April 12
Bucknell 14, Slippery Rock 3
Score by Quarters 1 2 3 4 TOT.
Slippery Rock 1 0 2 0– 3
Bucknell 3 5 3 2– 14

Men's Lacrosse
Bucknell 9, Army 10
April 12
Score by period 1 2 3 4 Tot
Bucknell 3 1 3 2 - 9
Army 1 1 3 5 - 10

Women's Lacrosse
Bucknell 15, Lasalle 6
April 16
Score by period 1 2 Tot
Lasalle 2 4 - 6
Bucknell 8 7 - 15

Sports

Bison pitching continues to dominate

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"In the fourth inning of game two, there was some sloppy defense and some pitches were left up in the zone and Lehigh was able to capitalize," Ciccione said. "You can't give good teams five outs in an inning and expect to win."

The team emerged from the loss unfazed as they headed into the second doubleheader of the season.

"Our team showed tremendous character by coming back on Sunday and regaining the momentum that we lost after game two," Grant said.

The Bison struck back with a shutout of their own on Sunday, as Zach Allen '03 and Futrick combined for an impressive 1-0 shutout. The effort exemplified the impact that pitching has had for the team all season, as the duo protected a one-run lead until the end.

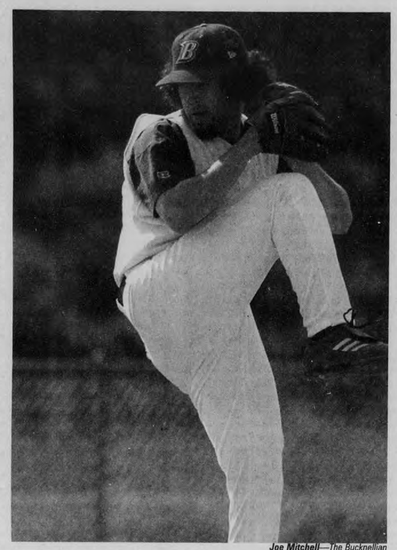
Allen earned his fourth win with six scoreless innings, giving up four hits and striking out four. Futrick added his name to the Bucknell record books with his eighth save of the season, breaking a record set by Gregg Farmery '02 in 2001. Futrick set the record just 24 games into the season.

The Bison scored their only run in the second inning. Hirschberg walked and advanced to second on a Ben Krentzman '03 bunt, and then scored when Pete Wolf '04 singled to drive the run home. The offense had four hits in the contest, but gave the team all the runs it needed.

"Our offense was limited in the first three games, but we executed well enough to manufacture a few runs and that's all our pitching staff needed," Depew said.

The offense came to life in the second game, a 6-3 victory to end the weekend. Lehigh was the first to score, jumping on the Bison with a three-hit, one-run first inning. The Bison struck back immediately with a two-run inning in the second. Walks to Krentzman, Walter and Bunting loaded up the bases for Stoll, who knocked home two runs with an RBI single.

The Bison widened their 2-1 lead in the fourth inning when B.J. Batterson '03 doubled to score Bunting. Stoll then scored Batterson with a double of his own and Moss scored Stoll with a single. The Orange and Blue managed five hits in the three-run inning as they jumped to a 5-1 advantage.



Joe Mitchell—The Bucknellian

Cory Nadler '04 pitches during a Wednesday game against Duquesne. Nadler was the winning pitcher after pitching five innings in the game.

Lehigh put two more runs on the board in the bottom of the inning to narrow the gap to 5-3, capitalizing on a pair of Bison errors and a wild pitch. The Bison held the scoring to two runs and did not allow the Mountainhawks to score for the remainder of the day.

The Bison added an insurance run in the fifth when Chris Grandizio '06 stole second and was sent home by a Batterson double. It was Batterson's second double of the game.

"It was great to see B.J. Batterson and Pete Wolf get a couple of key hits," Grant said. "It was great for their confidence and ultimately helped us take the last two games."

Matt Daley '04 earned his third save of the year as he held the Mountainhawks at bay for the final two innings of the game, allowing a hit and no runs while striking out three.

Burns earned his fourth win of the season as he went five innings, allowing five hits and three runs, only one of which was earned. Burns was pleased with the help he got from the Bison offense.

"The bats came alive, with key hits by Stoll and Batterson, providing me with enough breathing room to work with," Burns said.

Stoll pointed out the importance of the team effort throughout the road trip.

"Everybody has filled their roles these last three weekends making each and every win we've had a team win," Stoll said. "It's been a good start for us thus far, but we have our work cut out for us as some good teams lie ahead of us both in and out of Patriot League play."

The Bison next face Army in their first series at home since March 23. The Army series promises to be a tough and competitive one.

"As was the case last year, Army is peaking at the end of the season and will provide a tremendous challenge for us," Ciccione said.

Co-captain Allen anticipates a difficult remainder to the season.

"We played well on both sides of the ball, but definitely have room to continue even farther," Allen said. "Our main focus now is to not have a let down in the final two Patriot League series. We must continue to play the way we have, if not better, to have the same results against Army and Lafayette."

The team will be glad to return to action at home after a long string of road games.

"It will be good to play at home this upcoming weekend against Army, who beat us four times last year, to show our fans what they have been missing while we were on the road," Burns said.

Depew also looks forward to the upcoming schedule.

"I think the opportunity to play a few midweek games will be helpful to our hitters," Depew said. "We're looking forward to playing some home games in the next two and a half weeks."

Track records broken

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was also pleased to see other hurdlers making progress.

"Our hurdlers, [Richard] Alexander ['03] and Mellas, are improving," Donner said.

Besides MacDonald, the women were led with wins by junior Maria Garcia's NCAA regional qualifying hammer throw (173-9) and senior Nicki Piper's wire-to-wire 800 victory. Charity Brady '03 added to the effort by running a seasonal best in the 200.

"Brady is racing great with her fast 200 and I was very happy with MacDonald, [Edwina] Bourn ['03] and [Jamie] Lilien ['04]," Donner said. "Piper and [Jen] Marsh ['05] are running nicely in the 800, and Garcia is throwing nicely in the hammer. We do need to get a few people back on track who have been in a little rut if we want to defend our championship. I am confident that will happen."

Because of a number of nagging injuries, the coaching staff decided to give most of the jumpers a week off.

"Jumping takes a toll on the legs and my staff felt it was a good weekend for many of them to rest," Donner said. "We have a big meet this coming weekend and we plan to load up and try to win."

The meet takes place tomorrow at Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium and should be highly competitive.

"It will be a five-team scored meet. On the men's side, it is Kent State, Rhode Island, Wagner and Robert Morris. On the women's side, it is Kent State, Colgate, Wagner and Robert Morris," Donner said. "It's nice to get a very formidable team such as Kent State here at home. They are a very good team in a powerful conference. Their women won the indoor title and they always seem to have an All-American or two on both sides. Rhode Island's men are a well balanced team that has won previous Atlantic-10 titles. We would love to win both meets. A win in this meet would give us great momentum heading into the Patriot League meet in two weeks."

Cecily Cairns—The Bucknellian

Lauren Kinsey '06 and Carolyn Mateskon '05 pace each other during the 1,500 on Saturday. Mateskon paced third and Kinsey placed fifth.

Loss to Army is first league loss this year

By Pat Evans
Sports Editor

The Bison men's lacrosse team had three different three-goal leads against Army, but was unable to put the Black Knights away, losing its first league contest of the year 10-9. With the loss the Bison move down to second place in the league and will likely need Hobart to beat Army this weekend in order to win the Patriot League outright and earn an NCAA Tournament bid.

The Bison had beaten Army the past three years and appeared to be on their way to making it a fourth after scoring three unanswered goals and enjoying a 3-1 lead after the first quarter. Army finally answered in the second quarter, cutting the lead to one at 4-3, but once again the Bison stretched their lead to three as Patrick Christensen '05 and Kelly Hogue '03 rattled off back-to-back goals to make it 6-3.

The Black Knights cut that lead to two, making it 7-5 going into the fourth quarter. Andrew Sanders '03, who finished with three goals and two assists in the game, put one in early in the fourth quarter to make it 8-6, and the Bison looked as if they were going to stay in control until the end. But Army battled back, owning the fourth quarter to take the win.

"We let them hang around, which gave them a shot to win it, and they did," Head Coach Sid Jamieson said.

The last eight minutes of the fourth quarter in particular were a struggle for the Bison, who had only two possessions and turned the ball over on each one. Army scored three straight goals to take the lead.

"They're very well conditioned and so they were able to control the fourth quarter when they needed to," Jamieson said.

Sanders dodged down the left sideline and beat Army's goalie to tie the game at 9, but not much later the Black Knights mimicked that play and scored with just 2 minutes, 08 seconds remaining to make it 10-9 in their favor.

In the closing moments the Bison had several chances, but were unable to capitalize. With 50 seconds to play, Rob Lane '03 hit the post and Army cleared the ball. Then, with 10 seconds remaining the Bison called a time out and diagrammed a play that gave them a shot at tying it up. The Bison worked the ball behind the cage until Sanders came around and tried to stuff one in that was blocked. Chris Cara '05 got the rebound but didn't have time to get another good opportunity.

"That was the story of the day for us," Jamieson said. "We rode well, cleared the ball well, but didn't shoot the ball the whole game."

Despite being beaten in the category of time of possession, the Bison did outshoot Army by a significant amount (41-27) and ld the game for the vast majority of the time.

"In reality we were in command of the game until the end, but we didn't get it done when we had to get it done," Jamieson said.

Hobart, a team that the Bison beat earlier in the season, now takes the lead in the Patriot League and will square off against Army for what will most likely determine the outcome of this year's league champion. The Bison are hoping that Hobart will beat Army, which would most likely put the Herd in first place, assuming that they win the rest of their league games.

Before worrying about what happens elsewhere in the league, the Bison are taking care of their own business so that if an opportunity does present itself, they are in position to take it.

"These next two games are a must for us," Jamieson said. "We're very disappointed, but we want to get going, we've got strong kids and we've been practicing well, so it looks good."

Softball victim of four-game Colgate sweep

Michelle Martin
Feature Layout Editor

Colgate took all four games from Bucknell last weekend in Hamilton, N.Y., dropping the Bison to 6-23 overall and 3-6 in the Patriot League.

Kris Devore '06 knocked out the first home run of her collegiate career in the final game of the series, bringing in three runs in the sixth inning. This chipped away at the 4-0 lead the Red Raiders had taken in the fifth. Kristen Potts '04 got on base first with a one-out single, and Angela Stackhouse '04 followed her with a base-on-balls. Both runners advanced on a wild pitch to put them in scoring position before Devore smashed a pitch over the right center fence to bring the team within one. Colgate tacked on three more runs in the bottom of the inning to put the game out of reach, as Bucknell took the 7-3 loss.

Earlier in the day, the team posted a 3-2 loss. RBI singles by Jennifer Ross '05 and Kimberly Grunwald '06 propelled the Bison to an early 2-1 lead in the second inning. The Raiders answered right back with two runs, including the game-winner, in the third.

On Sat., April 12, the Orange-and-Blue dropped the first two games of the series in Hamilton, N.Y. Colgate staked out a first inning 2-0 lead to put Bucknell in the hole early. The Bison got on the board with one run in the third inning, but the Raiders answered right back with two more in the second half of the frame en route to a 6-2 Bison loss.

The first game was knotted at three until the bottom of the seventh inning when Colgate got the game-winning run to knock off Bucknell 4-3. The Bison went up 2-0 in the second inning on singles from Jill Pompeii '05 and Meredith Gill '03, before the Raiders tied it up in the third. Bucknell tacked on one more run in the fifth, but Colgate answered right back in the bottom of the fifth to keep the game knotted until their seventh-inning game-winning run.

On Sun., April 6, the Bison knocked off visiting Lafayette twice to take the first half of the season series. In the nightcap of the doubleheader, the team posted a come-from-behind 6-5 victory. The Leopards got on the scoreboard first with two runs in the first inning on one hit and two Bison miscues. The Bison came right back in the bottom half of the inning to knot the game at two. Stackhouse hit a two-out single to center. Lauren Wible '06 then nailed a triple to score Stackhouse. Wible crossed the plate on an errant throw to second base in a pick-off attempt.

Lafayette went up 4-2 in the third inning on a double and a Bucknell error. The Bison made it a one-run game in the fifth when Stackhouse reached base on an error and Wible hit a RBI double to left field. The Leopards led 5-3 going into the bottom of the seventh inning before a few hits and a few breaks got the Bison three runs and ultimately, a victory.

Potts walked and advanced to second on a passed ball. Stackhouse drew a base-on-balls and another passed ball sent her to second and Potts to third. Potts crossed the plate one out later on a wild pitch. Stackhouse then scored on an error by the shortstop. Devore, who got on base on the shortstop's error, scored on a Kelli Haskins '05 routine fly to right field that was dropped.

Earlier in the day, the Bison took an 11-1 decision from the Leopards in five innings. They hit Lafayette pitcher Jackie Fitzgerald hard with an eight-run first inning on five hits and one error. Gill led off with a double to the left field wall and eventually scored on a wild pitch. With two outs and the bases loaded, Lauren Box '03 smacked a bases-clearing double to give the Bison a 5-0 edge. Pompeii hit a single up the middle and stole second to put runners on second and third. Gill nailed a triple in her second at-bat of the inning to put the tally at 7-0. A Potts RBI single to the shortstop made it 8-0.

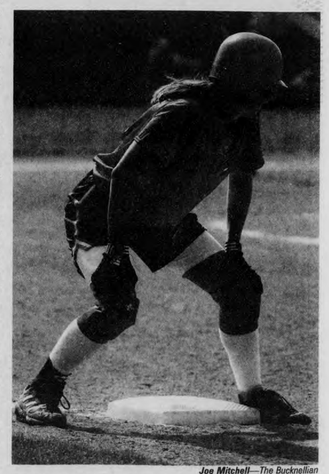
The Orange-and-Blue tacked on two more runs in the second inning on two Lafayette errors. The Leopards staged a two-out rally in the fourth to get back one run, but the Bison got it right back in the bottom half of the inning. Alyssa Schneebaum '06 singled and Gill sacrificed to score Schneebaum to make the score 11-1. A one-two-three top of the fifth allowed the 10-run rule to be invoked.

According to Head Coach Janelle Breneman, the team was able to effectively put together the offense and the defense. They faced a more difficult pitcher in the second game and were still able to string together hits.

"We're starting to get some people out of their hitting slumps ... (and) starting to have smarter at-bats," Breneman said.

She also commended Haskins on her strong pitching performance in the second game. Haskins gave up seven hits, and struck out four while only walking two. Only two of the five Lafayette runs were earned.

The Bison return to action at 1 p.m. Saturday and noon Sunday when Lehigh comes to town.



Joe Mitchell—The Bucknellian

The Bison softball squad fought hard against Colgate, but could not avoid the sweep. The Bison's record is now 6-23.

Sports

Women take 6-1 victory at home, men on four-game skid

Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian

Gerald DiChiara '05 fires off a serve. The men's team has struggled but shown improvement.

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fill in the gap against Vermont, claiming the doubles point in a clean sweep and winning four of six singles matches.

Gaskin was undefeated after the Vermont match and Veronica Brown '06 won her seventh straight in singles play.

"With Jill out we really had to rely on our depth, which is something we've always been able to do," Helt said. "We played tough and pulled it out."

The Bison suffered just their third loss this season against Binghampton, a match that may have gone the other way if Wurzburg had been in the lineup. The Herd swept the doubles point, but lost four of the six singles matches in the loss.

Upcoming for the women's squad are two challenging Patriot League foes, Army and American, which will be critical matches for the Bison if they want to compete for high placement in the league.

"They are two of the toughest teams in our conference," Helt said. "We go in knowing that we have the opportunity to win. We have the talent, it will just be a matter of performing well."

The men's team has shown signs of improvement, but has been unable to get the wins. After beating Towson at home, the Bison have been on a four-game skid, starting with a loss to Binghampton 5-2 in which Asher Salam '06 and Todd Jacobs '03 were the lone winners.

Jacobs and Salam teamed up to win one of the doubles matches in the next match against Colgate but the Bison couldn't get the doubles point. The team did muster two wins in singles play with Salam and Aaron Saperstein '06 pulling through, but Colgate ended up with the 5-2 win.

The following match against Lehigh was the closest league match yet for the Bison. The men's team has had their eyes on the Mountain Hawks since the beginning of the season, knowing that they had a chance at picking up the league win.

After Jacobs and Salam won one of the doubles matches it came down to Nick Denefrio '05 and Gerald DiChiara '05 to win the point overall. It came down to a tiebreaker point before Denefrio and DiChiara lost 9-8, giving Lehigh a 1-0 lead in the overall match.

The Bison split the match in singles play, winning three of six, but this was not good enough and Lehigh took the win 4-3.

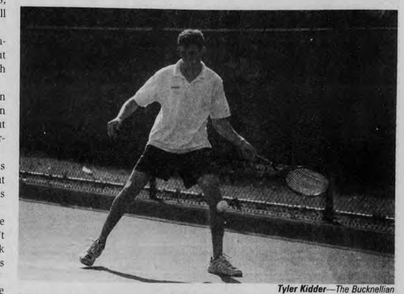
"I thought we were going to win and we very much should've taken some of those points," Helt said. "But we let down when we had our opportunities."

Despite the Bison's record this season, the team is optimistic about its future and what this season has done for its players.

"I've gotten a lot of experience playing at this level, which I wasn't used to before," Salam said. "I think it's going to help me a lot later this season and going into the next one."

Helt is also pleased with how the men's team is progressing, believing that her team's effort has been incredible despite being overmatched in almost every contest.

"For most teams and most coaches this would be a very disappointing season, but for us we're getting so many positive things out of it," Helt said. "Our losses have not been because of a lack of effort, we've really been battling and they've been fantastic."



Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian

Nick Denefrio '05 eyes the ball during a match on Tuesday at home. The Bison dropped the match to Bloomsberg for their fourth straight loss.

Three and one weekend places team in 5th

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the Wildcats by narrow margins in their two games against Villanova during the regular season, so they knew it would be a difficult task.

The Herd came out strong early, getting on the board first when Blitzer took a pass from Keffer and put one in just 29 seconds into the contest. Keffer set up Bardoe 2:31 later to give the Bison a 2-0 advantage, but the Wildcats came back and scored just 40 seconds into the second quarter to get their first lead of the contest.

The Bison took control again when they scored three unanswered goals including a desperation shot by Larissa Brown '05 that sailed over the goalie's head just before the halftime buzzer, making the score 6-4.

After a defensive battle in the third quarter during which neither team scored, Stahler backhanded one in to give the Bison a seemingly safe three goal cushion. But the Wildcats once again came back and tied the score at 7 during a lapse of the Bison defense.

"The main problem was that we played to maintain our lead rather than stretch it, so we should have actually won by more," Keffer said. "Despite that we still came through in the end."

It took an overtime period for the Bison to take the lead for good and OK win the game. Stahler scored just 23 seconds into the overtime frame and Keffer took a pass from Bardoe to give the Bison a two-goal cushion. The Wildcats came back for a third time, scoring one more goal, but this time it was too late as the Bison took the game and fifth place finish with the 9-8 win.

"Villanova never stopped fighting, but we never stopped working and we were able to get it done," Zeigler said. "Villanova played an excellent game."

The Bison will open up Eastern's against Iona, a team that beat the Herd 5-4 the game right before Southern Championships.

"It will be a critical game for us," Zeigler said. "The nice thing is that we'll be able to avenge that earlier loss to them."

The Orange and Blue will be a 10th seed at Eastern's and while they hope they can win the whole tournament, which would give them a bid to the NCAA Tournament, the team will see it as a major accomplishment to finish somewhere in the top 7 of the field.

"We're looking to win the first game against Iona and let the momentum carry us," Bardoe said.

The Bison women's water polo team struggled this past weekend at ECACs held at Princeton University, dropping all three of their games. Harvard got the best of the Bison, 8-5, on Saturday, followed by a loss to 16th-ranked Hartwick 11-3. The following day, the Bison battled to the end with Iona but were unable to close it out, dropping 5-4.

"Fundamentally we had a very good game and we had very strong defense," Stahler said. "Offensively we had a lot of opportunities, but unfortunately we couldn't get it done."

The next game against 16th-ranked Hartwick was simply a case of the Bison being overmatched. Stahler was the Bison's only bright spot, scoring two of the Bison's three goals, while registering five steals and drawing three ejections.

"Their defense really made us struggle," Zeigler said. "They were dropping people back and making us shoot from outside, and we didn't shoot with confidence."

In a defensive battle that saw little scoring, the Bison were edged out by Iona 5-4 the next and final day of the tournament. Iona came out to an early 3-1 lead after the first quarter and the Bison came back to trail by just one, 4-3 going into the half.

The Bison defense shut out Iona in the final quarter of play but could only muster one goal, resulting in the loss. Goalie Lindsey Chesterfield '03 anchored the defense for the Bison, saving 10 shots and grabbing two steals.

"We played a really good game, but they forced us to take a lot of shots that we didn't want to take," Zeigler said.

The Bison open up the tournament at 6:15 p.m. tonight in Kinney Natatorium.

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Daniela Faas '04 swims toward the ball at Kinney Natatorium during the Southern Championships. The Bison finished fifth in the tournament.

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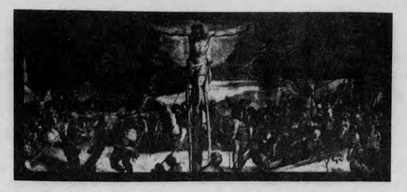

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FEATURES

Hair to help kids

Joy Dickson '03 donates her mane to Locks of Love for the fourth time

Campus Community Service

By Ashley Maliken
Staff Writer

It is certain that there are many women out there, and possibly even a few men, who have decided the time has come to do away with the excess inches of hair that adorn their heads in favor a shorter, hipper style. For those of you who find a grain of truth in this statement, perhaps you should consider following the example of a fellow University student and donating those extra inches to Locks of Love. Locks of Love's Web site describes the group as a "nonprofit organization that provides hairpieces to financially disadvantaged children across the United States under age 18 suffering from long-term medical hair loss." Why throw away all those lovely inches you spent so much time tending to when the very hair you're finished with could represent a new, brighter beginning to an unfortunate child?

Courtesy of Joy Dickson

Joy Dickson '03, a business management major, has lovingly donated her locks four times to this organization, most recently shortly after spring break. Her normally long, thick hair is now bobbed just above her shoulders and what was cut off is now a wig for a young girl. Seeing a story on Locks of Love sparked Dickson's interest in the organization, and she thought it would be a wonderful activity. Most donations go to young girls, as society is much more accepting of hairless men. Dickson saw this as an easy way to help people, so she started down a path that she continues to travel.

"I've always had long hair. I have pictures of me in kindergarten with hair down to my waist. But it is only hair. It will grow back," Dickson said.

Since her first donation, she's convinced family members and friends to donate to Locks of Love. Her mother and sister have both joined in her philanthropic endeavors. Her sister actually removed Dickson's ponytail for the last donation. Dickson has also convinced members of her service fraternity, Alpha Phi Omega, to donate as well.

"I brought my ponytail in a bag to convince the other girls. I believe two went and got their hair cut," Dickson said.

When asked about Dickson, her closest friends said that donating to Locks for Love was only a small part of the generosity for which she is known.

"I am not surprised that Joy donates her hair to Locks of Love," close friend Emily Monahan '03 said. "This contribution was just one particular example of her selfless giving. It is in her sweet and generous nature to help others in any way she can."

"Joy is a very cheerful person and enjoys life," Leilani Shughart '06, a close friend, said. "I think she has been so generous with her hair because she knows that someone will be happier because of the wig created. For Joy, the sacrifice of her hair is well worth someone else's happiness."

For anyone with an interest in Locks of Love, the organization has a Web site with all the frequently asked questions as well as details about donation. At www.locksoflove.org you can download the form for donation that can be taken to most salons, and can also find out donation qualifications. Though Dickson usually does her donating closer to home outside of Philadelphia, most establishments are familiar with the organization and have accepted similar donations before.

If you encounter a group that has never donated before, the form makes it very easy. Although it takes at least 10 inches of hair to make a wig, less hair is often accepted and sold to doll makers, generating profits that help the organization. If you're not sure if your mane qualifies, know that curly, permed, colored, layered and even gray hair is accepted.

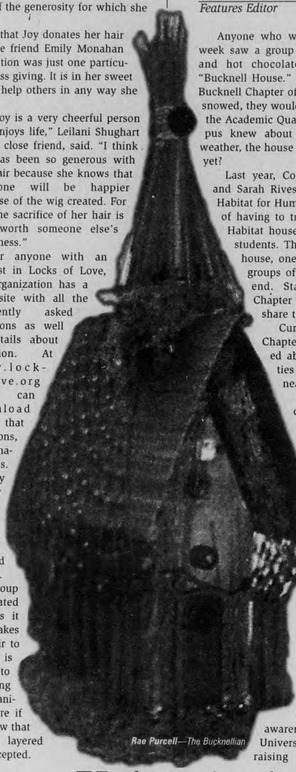
Habifest informs the University

Members of the Bucknell Chapter of Habitat continue to raise awareness and money for "Bucknell House"

By Meghan Ball
Features Editor

Anyone who walked into Bertrand Library last week saw a group of students selling baked goods and hot chocolate and talking excitedly about "Bucknell House." They were representatives of the Bucknell Chapter of Habitat for Humanity. Had it not snowed, they would have built a cardboard house on the Academic Quad to make sure everyone on campus knew about "Bucknell House." Due to the weather, the house was placed in the library. Curious yet?

Last year, Co-Presidents Brian Standinski '02 and Sarah Rives '02 of the Bucknell Chapter of Habitat for Humanity decided that they were sick of having to travel on Saturdays to work on a Habitat house with a maximum of five to six students. Their idea was to build a Bucknell house, one to which they could send large groups of University students every weekend. Starting this fall, the Bucknell Chapter and Union Snyder Affiliate will share that house.



Rae Purcell—*The Bucknellian*

Current President of the Bucknell Chapter Michelle Gezo '04 is very excited about having increased opportunities for students within Habitat at a nearby location.

"Habitat allows students to come together and really make a difference in the world through either building or raising money for those less fortunate," Gezo said.

Habitat members are raising $20,000 as a donation toward the house. Last year the group raised about $11,000. They raised money through the selling Popsiclesticks to build a "house," bake sales, holiday card sales, grants and donations. Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity's Luiji Fiji and Management 101 group Earl's EZ Tees donated their profits toward the goal.

Sudents participated in Habifest, a nationwide celebration of Habitat for Humanity. The national goal was to raise awareness about poverty issues. At the University, students placed emphasis on raising awareness about "Bucknell House." Over 10,000 students at 150 schools held activities on April 9 to drum up support for Habifest. Kim Drozynski '04 saw the event as a wonderful opportunity.

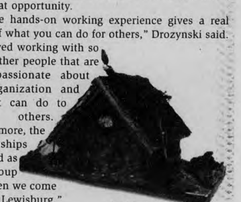
"College campuses are an excellent source of volunteers," Drozynski said. "This is a chance to make people aware of the need and recruit help."

At the University, Habifest included a showing of "With Honors," a bake sale to raise money for the "Bucknell House" and flyers, posters and e-mails filled with facts on both Habitat for Humanity and poverty.

In addition to raising money, the group is also trying to raise awareness. The house will be in Mifflinburg, 15 minutes away from the University. The plan is to send a group to the site every weekend. Because they will be able to accommodate groups of all sizes, the hope is that student organizations, fraternities and sororities will spend Saturday working on the house.

Drozynski, who has been on Habitat trips, said it is a great opportunity.

"The hands-on working experience gives a real sense of what you can do for others," Drozynski said. "I enjoyed working with so many other people that are truly passionate about the organization and what it can do to help others. Furthermore, the relationships we build as a group last when we come back to Lewisburg."



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Habitat For Humanity has since built over 125,000 homes for more than 625,000 people in 83 different countries since its founding in 1976. The homes are built by both volunteers and the new homeowners.

Homes are sold with no interest and for no profit. The homeowner must make a down payment, complete monthly payments and commit hundreds of hours to building other homes. Homes in developing nations cost as little as $8,000, but in the United States the average cost is around $46,000.

Homeowners are selected by the affiliates Family Selection Board. For "Bucknell House," Gezo helped to choose the family that will receive the house.

Droyznski said students should participate to help a good cause.

"Decent, affordable housing is the foundation for a solid life for a family. Everyone deserves a roof over their head, running water and heat. The families we help are not 'bad,' they are just in an unfortunate situation," Drozynski said.

United Way Day of Caring—University loving the community back

By Elisabeth Hulette
Staff Writer

Two weeks ago, Erin Whyte '04 and MaryAnn Beranek '04 proved that the Bucknell "bubble" doesn't have to exist.

They proved what wonderful things can be accomplished when students break out of the "bubble" and venture into the wide world of the surrounding community. Dual-handedly, Whyte and Beranek were responsible for organizing the Union County's United Way Day of Caring, a service event that pulled hands and help from both the University and various community service agencies in Lewisburg and beyond.

Courtesy of Erin Whyte

Their story begins back at the start of the semester, with Whyte's application for a political science course designed to incorporate six hours of fieldwork into each week's study time. Whyte was assigned to work with Union County's United Way, one branch of the national umbrella organization that raises money to fund local nonprofit agencies. The task they selected for her internship's focus was the Day of Caring.

The premise behind the Day of Caring is a unique one—to do service for organizations that serve the community. By organizing community members to do spring cleaning, window washing, painting and yardwork at these service agencies, the United Way prevents the agencies from having to take time and money away from their own projects for such necessary grunt work. The day also provides an opportunity for members of the community who have benefited from these organizations to give something back.

United Way chapters across the country hold Days of Caring annually, but, until this year, one had never been organized for Union County. This meant Whyte had to begin the entire process from scratch. Wisely, the first thing she did was ask for help.

Her professor found her a partner in Beranek, who joined Whyte as a second intern at the United Way, earning academic credit for her service by listing her internship as a nontraditional study program.

And so the two began to plan their day. Square one involved raising the money it would take to buy cleaning, painting and outdoor work supplies, and doing that required a letter-writing campaign. Requests for donations were sent to all sorts of local businesses and organizations.

"We did every little thing ourselves," Beranek said. "We sent letters, raised money, publicized the event, got volunteers and made buttons."

All of this work took a lot of time.

"Total, we did about 200 hours of work between us," said Whyte, who even did a guest spot on the radio station WKOK to advertise the event to the community. "We're both the kind of people who wouldn't do anything that wasn't to the best of our ability."

As the event drew near, the girls turned to the University for support, and found their best response in the Greeks. Chi Omega, Delta Delta Delta (Tri-Delta), Phi Beta Phi and Delta Gamma sororities volunteered their sisters to serve at the event. Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity brothers helped out as well. Community volunteers from Sun Bank, PA House, Mifflinburg Bank and other local groups also signed up for the event, bringing the community's total to 40 volunteers, alongside 60 University students.

"It was great to see the Greek community coming together to do service," Whyte said.

When the Day of Caring finally arrived on April 5, all 100 volunteers arrived early in the morning to be greeted with a breakfast donated by the Country Cupboard Inn. The groups then split off to their assigned agencies—Sigma Phi Epsilon painted the gym at the Community Center, Tri-Delta reorganized the storage facility at the Red Cross, Chi Omega landscaped and cleaned the YMCA and Delta Gamma and Pi Beta Phi cleaned the basement of Susquehanna Valley Women in Transition.

"It was amazing, all the work that was accomplished that day," Beranek said.

Courtesy of Erin Whyte

Courtesy of Erin Whyte

Beranek said the most rewarding part of the day was seeing the Sigma Phi Epsilon brothers interacting with a group of children who also came to paint.

"A bunch of kids were there trying to meet a community service challenge, and the boys just embraced them, even played with them. It was nice seeing the two groups come together, and it was a good example of what the day was all about," Beranek said.

At the end of the day, two of the volunteer groups, Phi Beta Phi and Tri-Delta, offered to go back to their respective sites to finish some outdoor painting at a later date. The rest of the volunteers packed up their brooms and brushes, Windex and sponges, and Whyte and Beranek sat down to write a very tall stack of thank-you notes.

"I think the community members were pleased to see Bucknell students in a positive light," Whyte said.

Whyte and Beranek valued the experience of organizing the event.

"It was an invaluable learning opportunity. It was really worth it," Whyte said.

Photos clockwise from top left:

Joy Dickson '05 before donating her hair to Locks of Love for the fourth time.

Bird houses from the Magpie, a part of the Bucknell Chapter of Habitat for Humanity's Habifest.

Several Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity brothers get to know a younger member of the community as they shovel mulch downtown.

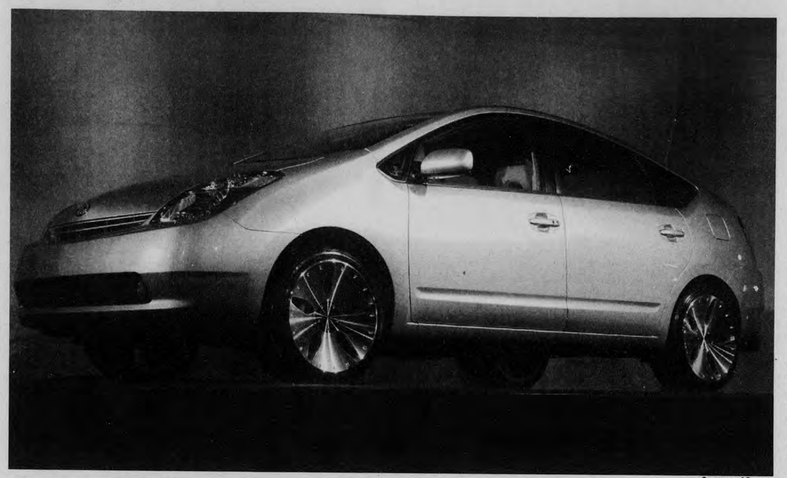
Other Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity brothers work on a much -needed paint job.

The sisters of Delta Delta Delta Sorority show their strength helping out in the community cleanup.

FEATURES

Science & Technology

Hydrogen fuel: environmental friend or folly?



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The Toyota Prius is a "full hybrid system" car that can operate in either gas or electric modes. Although hybrid cars are more efficient than pure gasoline cars, those powered by hydrogen, which has been touted as "the fuel of the future," would be even more efficient and environmentally friendly.

By Kyle Lange
Staff Writer

Who would have ever thought that a Republican president from Texas would pledge more than $1 billion to help develop hydrogen-powered automobiles? U.S. President George W. Bush could hardly be labeled as environmentally friendly, but he seems to have come to the realization that the world's oil supply is finite. The United States is now one of many nations funding research on what has been touted as "the fuel of the future" for the past 80 years.

Energy is critically important to the United States. Every day, products, people and services are shipped, driven and flown all over the world by vehicles using some source of energy. Heat and electricity are provided by energy. Clearly, without access to a cheap source of energy, the United States will not be able to function as it has been.

If the world's oil supply is diminishing, why is hydrogen the fuel of choice? What makes it a better candidate than coal or nuclear power? In short, hydrogen is the environmentalist's dream fuel. Hydrogen mixed with oxygen yields energy and water vapor. The process does not emit pollutants or carbon dioxide, and because chemical energy is directly converted into electrical power, hydrogen fuel cells can be twice as efficient as gasoline engines. Furthermore, hydrogen is the most abundant element in the universe.

The main problem is that hydrogen cannot be mined from the ground like oil, coal or natural gas. Pure hydrogen evaporates quickly from the earth's atmosphere, and the only way to obtain hydrogen in its pure form is to break down a compound that contains it, such as oil, natural gas or water. In an ideal world, people would use hydrogen for energy, but something must provide the energy to create the hydrogen in the first place.

The environmentalist's solution is to use renewable sources of energy to provide electricity to break down water. Solar panels, geothermal springs, hydroelectric dams and windmills would provide electricity to break down water into hydrogen and oxygen. The hydrogen could then be used to power vehicles and heat homes yielding no pollutants or greenhouse gases.

In short, hydrogen is the environmentalist's dream fuel.

There are several problems with this approach. The first problem is that it is currently more expensive to generate electricity using renewable sources of energy than oil or coal. For example, the Saudi Arabian General Investment Authority reported that in Saudi Arabia, it costs only $1.50 to produce a barrel of oil, from which 20 gallons of gasoline can be produced. Until renewable sources of energy become economically viable, this ecotopia cannot be reached.

The second problem lies in what happens when energy is converted from one form to another. Assistant Professor of Physics Jack Gallimore said there is a problem with this solution.

"The problem boils down to the second law of thermodynamics," Gallimore said. "When you use electricity to make hydrogen, and then use hydrogen to make electricity, you generate waste energy with each process. You don't get out all of the energy that you put into it."

The more economical approach would be to break down oil and natural gas in order to produce hydrogen. In breaking down oil and natural gas, carbon dioxide and greenhouse gases are emitted, defeating one of the main purposes of using hydrogen fuel.

One future method of producing hydrogen may be to use a type of green algae that produces hydrogen when photosynthesis is no longer possible. Researchers at UC-Berkeley are currently working on genetically engineering green algae to produce hydrogen regardless of whether or not photosynthesis is an option.

Another problem with using hydrogen fuel is one of transportation and storage. Hydrogen is a gas at room temperature and cannot be easily contained. Since it is a gas, hydrogen takes up much more room in a fuel tank.

Some auto manufacturers have designed vehicles with insulated fuel tanks to keep hydrogen in its liquid form. Liquid hydrogen still evaporates and it takes a lot of energy to cool the hydrogen to that temperature.

Hydrogen gas can be compressed, but that brings up the issue of safety. Hydrogen is extremely flammable when mixed with oxygen, and even more dangerous at high pressures.

Perhaps in the future, hydrogen might be stored in metal hydrides, which have shown the capacity to absorb hydrogen like a sponge. There has also been talk of using carbon nanotubes to store hydrogen, but again, the development of this technology would take several decades.

In spite of the barriers to the production of hydrogen, hydrogen-powered vehicles are being developed. *Automotive News* reported that General Motors is making six hydrogen-powered automobiles to be tested on the streets of Washington D.C., later this year. Shell Hydrogen is cooperating to produce a hydrogen fuel pump for servicing the vehicles. General Motors plans to make the vehicles available for people to test drive, hoping to get feedback from 10,000 drivers over the next two years.

Iceland has unveiled a more ambitious plan to become the world's first hydrogen economy. By using its geothermal resources, Iceland is creating hydrogen to power cars, buses, homes, offices and fishing boats. According to Newsweek, Iceland hopes to become the "Kuwait of the North" by 2020, with hydrogen as its primary export.

In the United States, it is unlikely that hydrogen will become the fuel of choice soon. While it is economically feasible to create the infrastructure for hydrogen fuel in an island nation of 280,000 people, Shell Hydrogen estimated that it would cost the United States $19 billion to do the same.

An MIT study recently concluded that even by 2020, hydrogen fuel cells would not be preferable to diesel-hybrid motors in terms of carbon dioxide and greenhouse-gas emissions. Even with the research that is taking place to improve hydrogen fuel cells, it will be a long time before they become environmentally and economically viable.

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The United States is still reluctant to rely on the Middle East for oil, especially with the current diplomatic relations with Saudi Arabia and Iraq.

Associate Professor of Political Science Tony Massoud said that it is unlikely the United States will stop importing oil from the Middle East.

"On one hand, we don't want to be dependent on a part of the world that is politically unstable," Massoud said. "On the other hand, it is very cheap for companies to extract oil from the Middle East and will probably continue to be much cheaper than the cost of producing hydrogen. Oil-producing states have so far been successful in convincing oil importers of the economic rationale for not lessening their dependence on Middle Eastern oil."

The United States does not seem ready to pay the price to make hydrogen fuel its main source of energy. Yet if the geopolitics work out unfavorably, and the earth's temperature continues to rise, don't be surprised if the United States tries to follow Iceland's lead.

Searching for aliens 101—the SETI Project

By Kyle Lange
Staff Writer

The Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence (SETI), although unsuccessful in its ultimate goal for the past 40 years, continues as scientists propose innovative ways to discover alien communications.

The SETI@home project employs the long-standing approach of looking for extraterrestrial radio signals using the Arecibo radio telescope located in Puerto Rico. While the SETI@home project collects data from the entire sky, it is impossible for all of the data to be analyzed due to the limited computing power of SETI project.

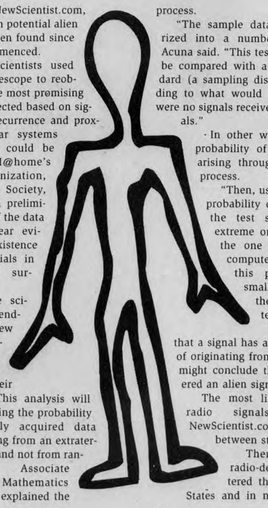
Scientists working on the SETI@home project solved this problem by enlisting the idle time of personal computers around the world. They created a screensaver that would analyze data from the Arecibo telescope whenever a personal computer was inactive.

According to BBC News Online, this screensaver, first made available in 1999, has been downloaded by several million people from over 200 countries. Collectively, over one million years of computing time have been logged by personal computers, making SETI@home the biggest terrestrial computational project ever.

SETI@home looks for signals that appear and increase in amplitude before falling off, all within a 12-second time interval—the time it takes for the Arecibo telescope to cross a point in the sky. According to NewScientist.com, over 350 million potential alien signals have been found since the search commenced.

Recently, scientists used the Arecibo telescope to reobserve 166 of the most promising candidates, selected based on signal strength, recurrence and proximity to stellar systems where planets could be located. SETI@home's funding organization, the Planetary Society, reported that a preliminary analysis of the data showed no clear evidence for the existence of extraterrestrials in the locations surveyed.

SETI@home scientists are spending the next few weeks conducting a more thorough analysis of their observations. This analysis will involve examining the probability that the newly acquired data would be coming from an extraterrestrial source and not from random noise. Associate Professor of Mathematics Carmen Acuna explained the process.



"The sample data would be summarized into a number, a test statistic," Acuna said. "This test statistic would then be compared with a predetermined standard (a sampling distribution) corresponding to what would be expected if there were no signals received from extraterrestrials."

In other words, calculating the probability of the received signal arising through a purely random process.

"Then, using the standard, the probability of finding a value of the test statistic that is as extreme or more extreme than the one observed would be computed," Acuna said. "If this probability is very small it will suggest that they had found extraterrestrials."

If scientists find that a signal has a very low probability of originating from random noise, they might conclude that they had discovered an alien signal.

The most likely sources of the radio signals, according to NewScientist.com, are satellites, dust between stars and interference.

There are many other radio-detection projects scattered throughout the United States and in nations such as Italy and Australia. The most promising radio-detection project for the future is the Allen Telescope Array. Currently under construction, the array is expected to start collecting data by 2005.

The Allen Telescope Array, predominantly funded by donations from Microsoft co-founder Paul Allen, will be the first radio telescope array primarily built for the purpose of searching for extraterrestrial signals. According to the SETI Institute, the most active organization in SETI research, the Allen Telescope Array could expand current search capabilities by a factor of 100.

While surveying the sky for radio signals has been the most common way to look for extraterrestrials, scientists now also look for optical signals. They suggest that an alien civilization may not be sending radio messages to Earth, but rather laser pulses.

NewScientist.com reports that the current laser technology enables scientists to create brief laser pulses up to 5,000 times brighter than the sun.

Since radio messages are susceptible to interference and are dispersed easily throughout the cosmos, some scientists have suggested that intelligent aliens might be trying to contact us using laser pulses.

The main disadvantages of the optical approach are that laser signals cannot travel as far as radio signals through the cosmos and that humans could only detect laser signals if extraterrestrials specifically directed them to the earth.

Nevertheless, optical search for extraterrestrial intelligence (OSETI) projects have sprung up throughout the country at universities such as UC Berkeley, Princeton and Harvard.

Perhaps the most bizarre and cost-effective approach to searching for extraterrestrials comes from Allen Tough, professor emeritus of adult education at the University of Toronto.

In 1996, Tough created a Web site, the Invitation to ETI, that welcomes aliens to Earth and invites them to e-mail him.

Tough hypothesizes that an intelligent alien civilization would monitor human activity on the Internet, which is why e-mail would be a logical forum for communication.

Although the idea is strange, Tough has brought together a team of 80 individuals, many of them professors at other universities, to deal with any cases of alien contact.

All of the communications sent to Tough so far have been hoaxes.

Assistant Professor of Physics Ned Ladd said the research is an investment.

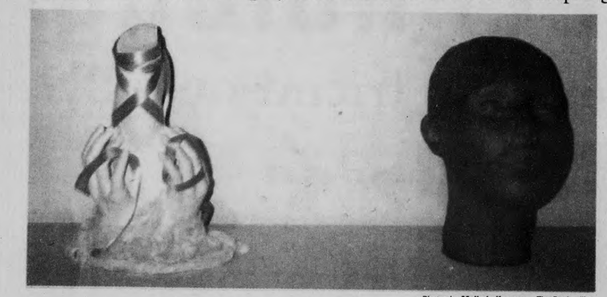
"Most scientists view SETI as the classic longshot bet. The odds of finding anything are incredibly low," Ladd said. "However, the potential payoff for detecting extraterrestrial intelligence is huge, both scientifically and culturally."

The search continues, for radio waves, lasers or even e-mails, with each project hoping to hit the jackpot.

Arts & Entertainment

Samek to showcase year of art

Faculty and students display their works of art in annual spring exhibition



Photos by **Melinda Kummer**—*The Bucknellian*

University artists display creativity and talent in a variety of mediums, from photography, to sculpture, to paintings. The exhibition opens tonight in the Samek Art Gallery and will run until Friday, May 2.

By Beth Kengeter
Staff Writer

The grand opening of the Annual Student and Faculty Art Exhibition will be held at 5 p.m. tonight at the Samek Art Gallery. Once a year the art gallery exhibits a variety of student works from each of the studio courses offered on campus as well the artwork of professors and graduate assistants. This semester, close to 100 pieces will be on display from photography, sculpture, drawing, printmaking and painting classes, to name a few. "It is a really exciting show, even those of us involved in the arts don't always realize what is going on until it is framed, matted and presented," Director of the Samek Gallery, Dan Mills, said. "It is always an exciting act of discovery."

An independent project by Suzanne Mejean '03 involves a series of light boxes, combining photography with a sculptural element. Pete Tulaney '03 will be exhibiting a sculpture formed inside part of the stump of a maple log and lit by a glow stick. Other types of works range from a photo collage of crushed cars to a giant dragonfly to a woodcut of a sugar box.

An installation involving video and photography by Assistant Professor of Art and Art History Tulu Bayar in collaboration with two of her students will be displayed in one of the side rooms.

"It is always interesting to see what your peers are doing," said Kathleen Scott, graduate assistant for the printmaking and drawing classes. "It's art that is relevant to your life and part of your generation."

Mills enjoys seeing growth within the department.

"Every year there are different strengths and you can see a clear progression from the past," Mills said.

Scott agrees and looks forward to the opening of the high-quality student show.

"I think the quality of work is very high this year," Scott said. "The woodcuts especially are on a grander scale and seem more ambitious."

A portion of the gallery will be set aside for the work of graduate assistants in the art department including Vita Litvak, assistant for photography, Dominic Nurre, assistant in sculpture, and Scott.

"The graduate students' exhibit is a nice opportunity to see the work of advanced students who are really developing bodies of work," Mills said. "Students get to see developing young professionals who in some ways almost represent something between the undergraduates and the faculty."

The faculty show will be on display in the project room of the gallery featuring work by all faculty who teach studio courses.

"Faculty shows are a great opportunity for students to curate and to get to see a little bit of the work of people they have studied under or may study under," Mills said.

The opening reception will be held from 5-7 p.m. tonight in the Samek Gallery, where the student and faculty show will remain on display until May 2.

Klauder to sing your stress away

Courtesy of Kim Klauder

Kim Klauder '05 is both the producer of and sole performer in tonight's cabaret. She will sing a variety of songs that address the stresses of life.

By Stephanie Malenich
Staff Writer

Stressed out? Need something to relax you before the long stretch of finals begins? Then be sure to check out the cabaret at 8 p.m. tonight in the Tustin Black box theatre presented by and starring Kim Klauder '05 and you'll be sure to feel of your worries and stresses melt away, at least for an hour.

Those who have noticed a distinct lack of musical theater on campus in the past will be pleased to hear of the third musical performance this academic year. With the start-up musical theater club, a main stage musical and now a showcase cabaret, the theatre department has burst into song on several occasions.

As the star of this one-woman show, Klauder is excited for this chance to bring a little bit of herself to the University stage.

"I get to be me. I get to have fun and sing the things I like, I get to tell silly stories and make music. It's wonderful to bring things like cabaret to Bucknell," Klauder said.

The ambitious Klauder is in fact "bringing" this show to the University, as she will be continuing her history of putting on cabarets that extends to her junior year of high school. This will be her first effort of this type at the University and her fifth overall.

The definition of a cabaret is a themed musical show usually consisting of only one performer with minimal accompaniment. For this performance, Klauder has chosen the theme of "stress" and will be singing a range of theme- appropriate selections from Michelle Branch and Broadway ballads.

Also integral to the idea of the cabaret as a theatrical medium is an intimate rapport between audience and artist. Klauder seems to have this aspect covered in her reasons for organizing this show.

"I've never done a show up here and I wanted to share what I love doing with a community I have learned to really respect. People should come see it because it's fun, silly and lighthearted … hopefully they will walk away feeling good about stress, life and music."

Klauder will perform a selection of 15 songs all relating in some manner to stress. Pianist Colin Aherne '05 and drummer Tom Meskey '05 will accompany her.

"It's nice to have musicians that are so cooperative and excited about fun, free projects. I didn't realize we had such talented musicians who simply just want to play," Klauder said.

She will also be joined by guest artists Tim Wojton '03, Ahi Day '04, Miriam Sincell '06 and Jenevieve DeLoSantos '06 throughout the show.

Klauder has worked hard to bring about this show.

"Kim Klauder is one of our campus's most dedicated musical theater afficionados. I'm sure that Kim will entertain all with both verve and style in her upcoming Cabaret performance," Associate Professor of Theatre Robert Gainer said.

Klauder's genuine enthusiasm about this chance is infectious.

"I am doing this show because I simply love to sing," Klauder said, making it clear that she is attempting to bring a unique experience to the campus.

Williamsport Tea Room to host folk singer and new comer

Rachel Sage forged her own way in an Ani DiFranco world when she released her most recent album, "Illusion's Carnival"

By Rachel Hofford
Writer

❖ Music Preview

Ani DiFranco, Tori Amos and Rachel Sage—certainly you recognize two of the names; soon you may recognize the third. Sage will bring her theatrical, genre-bending music to Williamsport's Coffee and Tea Room tomorrow. An independent artist hailing from New York City, Sage is known for her intelligent, introspective folk tunes, and is frequently compared to Amos and DiFranco. There is no doubt that Sage wishes to forge her own path.

> *"[The album is about] appreciating the moment and kind of heightened sensitivity to the fact that you just … have to follow your instinct."*
> —*Rachel Sage*

"I try to not compare myself to anybody," Sage said.

This individuality is evident in her most recent album, "Illusion's Carnival," which was released on her own MPress label in 2002. Recorded following the tragedy of Sept. 11, Sage said the album was largely inspired by those events and the intense emotions that followed. The lyrical content is very serious and personal, ranging from the lament of "Unbeauty" to the longing of "Linger," a song describing a friend who survived a coma. The album's message is ultimately positive.

"[The album is about] appreciating the moment and kind of heightened sensitivity to the fact that you just … have to follow your instinct," Sage said.

Throughout "Illusion's Carnival" this musical instinct is on display as Sage showcases her piano skills and emotive vocals with seemingly effortless skill. Drums and cello accompany Sage on the album's 15 tracks, providing a rich backdrop for her intimate lyrics and complex, adventurous melodies.

Evoking jazz sentiments at one moment and exuding classical, pop or rock forms at others, it is difficult to place Sage's music in one category.

"You've got all the colors of the rainbow. Why would you choose just yellow?" Sage said in reference to her multifaceted style.

In a world of manufactured pop-music clones, her creativity and resistance to the constraints of the top 40 mold is refreshing. Calling to be interviewed from a rest stop in Wisconsin, she said she owes her success to her supporters and fans. Such an unaffected attitude is surprising coming from someone who has won several prestigious songwriting awards, including the 2001 John Lennon Songwriting Contest Grand Prize in the rock music category.

Sage is also used to large performance venues, having joined Lilith Fair in 1999 and toured with Ani DiFranco, though she said that she also enjoys playing in smaller club settings.

"The small shows are great because they're so intimate, and you really get to reach out to the audience," Sage said.

> *"You've got all the colors of the rainbow. Why would you choose just yellow?"*
> —*Rachel Sage*

Describing her shows as theatrical, spontaneous and sensual, Sage will be performing music from all four of her previously released albums when she comes to Williamsport. She will also include material from the forthcoming "Public Record," which is set for release in August.

Her show will be at 8 p.m. tomorrow at the Coffee and Tea Room. Tickets are $5 in advance.

Courtesy of Rachel Sage

Frequently compared to Ani DiFranco, musical folk artist Rachel Sage will be performing at 8 p.m. tomorrow in Williamsport's Coffee and Tea Room. Sage will perform selections from her latest album, "Illusion's Carnival."

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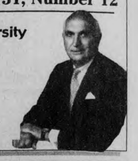

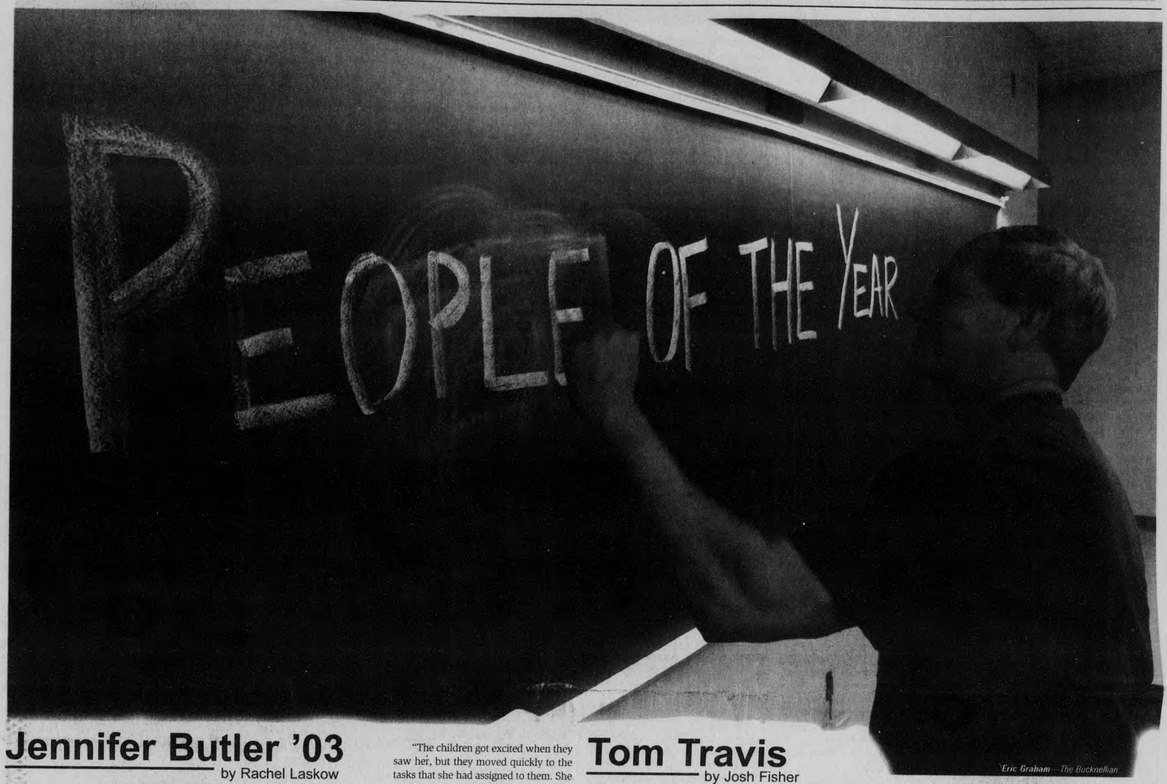

Eric Graham—*The Bucknellian*

Jennifer Butler '03

by Rachel Laskow

One day last semester, Pitch-eyed Pete walked into Wendy Hummel's third-grade classroom in Lewisburg's Kelly Elementary School. Behind the costume was not a mean pirate but instead kind-hearted Jennifer Butler '03. Butler dressed up as the pirate to kick off her social studies unit on map skills.

A student teacher for the class at the time, Butler kept the students' interest throughout the whole unit.

"I've always learned through my education classes here that you need to hook your students' attentions to truly be an effective teacher, especially when we started a whole new unit," Butler said.

Visiting Assistant Professor of Education Patsy Marra, who was also Butler's supervisor for her student teaching, recalls Pitch-eyed Pete as just one of the many ways in which Butler expressed her creativity.

Eric Graham—*The Bucknellian*

"The children got excited when they saw her, but they moved quickly to the tasks that she had assigned to them. She tried to be a swashbuckler, but her kind, considerate, thoughtful and caring personality overtook the advantage of the 'teachable moment' and she soon became the most soft-hearted pirate the world had ever seen," Marra said. "The children loved to get help from a pirate and she relished the opportunity to work with every child in the class during that lesson."

Associate Dean of Students and Director of Campus Activities and Programs Kari Conrad knows Butler through her work with Activities and Campus Events (ACE), but has also seen Butler's enthusiasm for teaching.

"As an education major, she is gifted and talented and I can think of no other individual that I would rather have teaching my children," Conrad said.

According to Hummel, Butler always helps students to the best of her ability.

"She is always looking for methods and techniques to extend and improve what she is teaching. Jen will make a wonderful addition to a teaching staff," Hummel said.

Butler also shares a sense of pride when she makes a difference in a student's life.

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STUDENT 2003 PROFESSOR

Tom Travis

by Josh Fisher

You can hardly take a step in Tom Travis' Lewisburg home without stumbling upon an extravagant artifact or souvenir from one of nearly 100 foreign countries to which the professor of international relations and political science has traveled. A dizzying array of paintings from Japan, statues from India and pottery from Thailand all seem to testify to the depth of Travis' knowledge and experience.

And indeed you can hardly meander down the east wing of Coleman hall without finding a student or faculty member who vividly recalls having been inspired by Travis' provocative teaching style as a professor of political science and international relations.

The seeds of Travis' long and prominent intellectual career were first sewn when he received a Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology from Syracuse University in 1963. Travis later earned his Ph.D. in political science from the Maxwell School at Syracuse in 1969, and he pursued his true calling when he accepted a teaching position at the University in the fall of 1970.

Thirty-six years of teaching and thousands of students later, Travis is set to retire this spring, but his contributions to the University and to his students will certainly echo through lifetimes.

Assistant Dean of the Whitehead School of Diplomacy and International Relations at Seton Hall University Tom McGrath remembers Travis' class vividly.

"I want you to know that I am well aware that my journey into the world of international relations began in your classroom," McGrath told Travis after hearing he was retiring. "Any achievements by your many students are in large part the fruition of the intellectual seeds you planted and nurtured. I have always tried to be the kind of teacher that I admired when I was a student, who is someone like Tom Travis."

In 1973, only a few years after arriving at the University, Travis, along with several other faculty members, created the international relations major.

"At first it was an interdepartmental program with only a few majors, but it steadily and rapidly grew, and by the 1980s it was one of the largest majors at the University," Travis said.

Travis has served for nearly 30 years as the chair of the department of international relations, from its inception and through last year when he relinquished the directorship to Professor of International Relations Steve Stamos. Travis said that the international relations program at the University is one of the best in the country, in terms of its curricular structure and rigor, and he was elated when an outside review team described it as a "program of excellence."

Travis also feels that International Relations majors are probably the most interesting and compelling students at the University, given their interdisciplinary education and foreign language competency.

"Many international relations majors have become our University's true student leaders, from writers in *The Bucknellian* to student activists who have pursued successful careers in the field of international relations," Travis said.

Travis, along with Professor of Political Science Emeritus Gene Chenoweth, co-created the Global Residential College, which is designed for first-year students interested in global issues and problems.

"I have most enjoyed teaching the Global College's innovative and hard-hitting course, hanging out with students and taking them on trips to Quebec City and Washington, D.C.," Travis said. "And I am proud that many of the progressive social change movements at Bucknell have been led by global alumni."

Travis served as the senior fellow for the Global College for many years, and Global College residents have often become international relations majors due to the college's foundation seminar.

"Tom is the type of professor who got inside your head and shook things up.-He challenges and inspires his students," Global College alumna Sarah Bongarten '05 said. "He will certainly be remembered long after he is gone and will be missed by all of those fortunate to work with him."

Global College alumni Chris Purcell '03 said that Travis' style encourages careful thought and analysis.

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SPORTS

Molly Creamer '03

Creamer named Female Athlete of the Year

Molly Creamer is named to the 2003 Associated Press All-American Squad and the WNBA prospects list, and is *The Bucknellian* Female Athlete of the Year.

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Telling it like it is …

Graduating *Bucknellian* Editorial Board members reflect on their time at the University.

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Ashwin Ramakrishna '04 recounts his adventures in London, which included trips to many European cities.

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Best of PUBLIC SAFETY LOG

VANDALISM TO A VEHICLE—Public Safety responded to Harris Parking Lot for the report of a student's vehicle wrapped with orange fencing by unknown person(s). The fence scratched the vehicle. The incident is under investigation.

INFORMATION/MISSING PERSON—Public Safety responded to Harris Hall for the report of a campus visitor who was missing. University officials assisted in locating the male, who was returned to his sponsor's room.

FRATERNITY ALCOHOL VIOLATIONS—Public Safety responded to a fire alarm activation at Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity. Public Safety observed a group of males spraying beer on one another. Fraternity officers stated that no one was consuming the beer. A University official responded. Citations are pending.

UNDERAGE DRINKING—A student reported to Public Safety that there was a male student sleeping on a couch in his boxer shorts inside a lounge at Smith Hall. Upon investigation, it was determined that the male was a student under the age of 21, who admitted to consuming alcohol. Charges were filed.

INFORMATION/DISTURBANCE—Public Safety responded to Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity for the report of a group of students attempting to enter the building without authorization. Lewisburg Police Department and East Buffalo Township Police Department responded and assisted to identify the students as residents of Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity. The 11 males stated that they were searching for a stuffed bird that they believe the Lambda brothers had taken. All parties agreed to resolve the issue by mediation and no charges were filed.

INFORMATION/SMALL FIRE—Public Safety responded to a fire alarm at McDonnell Hall that was caused by a metal cup being heated in a microwave. A student had used a fire extinguisher to extinguish the fire. The damage was confined to the microwave.

THEFT—An employee reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed a wooden sign in front of Sunflower Child Care building and replaced it with a sign taken from the Fence Restaurant on Route 405. East Buffalo Township Police Department and Public Safety were contacted. The Fence sign was returned to the restaurant. The Sunflower sign was later located at the Lewisburg Middle School and returned to its proper place. The incident is under investigation.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF /UNDERAGE DRINKING—While on routine patrol, Public Safety observed a male and a female in the basket of a construction lift parked behind Vedder Hall. Upon further investigation, the officers identified the individuals as students, under the age of 21, who had consumed alcohol. East Buffalo Township Police Department and Lewisburg Police Department were on the scene. The students will be cited for criminal mischief and underage drinking.

INDECENT EXPOSURE—A student reported to Public Safety that a male was sitting on a walk way bench between the Gateways and Loomis Street masturbating. No suspects could be located in a search of the area. Lewisburg Police were contacted. A Public Safety alert was issued. The incident is under investigation.

INDECENT ACTS—Public Safety reported to the corner of Walker and Loomis Streets for the report of a male and female inside a truck engaged in sexual acts. The vehicle left as the student was contacting Public Safety. Lewisburg Police were notified. No suspects were located in a search of the area.

INFORMATION—Public Safety responded to Dana Engineering for the report of a male sleeping in an office. The officer spoke with a student and advised him not to continue this activity. The student was cooperative.

OPEN LEWDNESS—Public Safety and Lewisburg Police Department responded to South 6th Street for the report of a male and female engaged in a sexual act in a truck parked along the street. Upon arrival, officers determined that the male had an inflatable doll inside the vehicle. Lewisburg Police Department cited the male for open lewdness.

INFORMATION—Dunkin Donuts contacted Public Safety and advised that a student placed an order for a large quantity of merchandise but did not pick up the items. Public Safety contacted the student who agreed to speak to the manager of Dunkin Donuts regarding the situation.

INFORMATION/SUSPICIOUS PACKAGE—Public Safety responded to the Langone Center for the report of a student having received a package full of plastic toy army characters in the mail. The student reported that she has had similar packages placed in front of her McDonnell Hall room. An investigation revealed that friends of the student were playing a prank on her.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that a couch and an electric razor were removed from his Roberts Hall room while he was away on Fall Break. The incident is under investigation.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT—Public Safety responded to Chi Phi Fraternity for a complaint of food being propelled by a slingshot at the Fraternity house. A witness directed Public Safety to the McDonnell Hall room from which the food was propelled. An investigation led Public Safety to the person responsible for the incident and a large slingshot was confiscated. Citations for possession and use of a projectile impelling device, disorderly conduct, and unsworn falsification to authorities issued.

INFORMATION/WELFARE CHECK—Public Safety received a call from the parents of a student to check on their son's welfare. Public Safety and University officials attempted to locate the student with negative results. The student later responded to a note placed on his door and reported that he was well.

VANDALISM—A Public Safety dispatcher reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) had struck the Public Safety building with paintballs shot from a paintball gun. The incident is under investigation.

INFORMATION/FIGHT—Public Safety responded to the Upper Stadium parking lot for the report of a fight in progress. Upon investigation, Public Safety determined the altercation involved a group of alumni that threw a can of beer on a visitor's car. All parties involved agreed to leave the area without further incident.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—An employee reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) poured beer and placed toilet paper and beer cans on the floor of a Library restroom. The incident is under investigation.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed the wiper blades and spit on his vehicle while parked at Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity parking lot. East Buffalo Township Police Department was notified. The incident is under investigation.

INFORMATION—Public Safety responded to Edwards House for the report that unauthorized individual(s) entered a locked student's room over Thanksgiving break, left the refrigerator door open and placed food items on the floor outside the refrigerator. There were no visible signs of forced entry.

HARASSMENT/TERRORISTIC THREATS—A student reported to Public Safety that the father of his girlfriend's roommate did not appreciate finding him in the girl's McDonnell Hall room and threatened to throw him out of the room, causing the student to feel intimidated. The incident is under investigation.

TRESPASSING/ILLEGAL DUMPING—An employee reported to Public Safety that she observed several dead Canadian geese in a garbage dumpster at Bucknell West. Upon investigation, Public Safety determined there were 10 geese in the dumpster in plastic bags. The Pennsylvania Game Commission and East Buffalo Township Police Department responded and located a name of a local resident in one of the bags. Investigation continues referencing illegal dumping and trespassing by the resident.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) entered his unlocked Bucknell West residence and removed frozen food items from his freezer. The incident is under investigation.

THEFT—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed her front and back license plates from her vehicle while it was parked in the Gateway Parking lot. Lewisburg Police Department was contacted. The incident is under investigation.

INFORMATION—Public Safety responded to the rear of Smith Hall for the report of male students pouring gasoline on a tree, possibly to ignite it. Public Safety located a gas can buried in the snow. Lewisburg Police Department responded. The gasoline was confiscated and placed in the Hazmat Storage area. Nobody was found at the scene.

THEFT/HARASSMENT BY COMMUNICATION—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) removed all white board markers and wrote obscene messages on the boards on the third floor of Harris Hall. The incident is under investigation.

INFORMATION—Public Safety responded to Vedder Hall for the report of a broken computer that appeared to have been thrown from a window. The computer appeared to be a personal unit with no identification on it.

INFORMATION/POSSIBLE VANDALISM—Public Safety responded to the Biology Building for the report of possible vandalism in the Greenhouse. Two switches to over ride the thermostat were found turned on for unknown reason and plants were destroyed due to the heat.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT—While conducting a fire alarm test at Larison Hall, Public Safety observed a University student with his door propped open aiming what appeared to be a gun at the door entrance. Upon investigation, it was determined to be a fake, black plastic gun. The gun was confiscated and the student was cited for disorderly conduct.

INFORMATION—An employee reported to Public Safety that an unknown person(s) had replaced a sign advertising a film in Vaughan Literature with a sign saying the film had been canceled.

INSTITUTIONAL VANDALISM—An alumnus reported to Public Safety that an unknown person(s) uprooted/dislodged a plastic statue from the yard of Newman House and placed it on the roof of her vehicle. The incident is under investigation.

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT/VANDALISM—Public Safety responded to a fire alarm at Swartz Hall, caused by unknown person(s) discharging fire extinguishers at two locations in the building. A water fountain was also pulled off of the wall. No witnesses or suspects could be located in a search of the building. The incident is under investigation.

FOUND PROPERTY—A student reported to Public Safety that she observed a male place a plastic skeleton in the Trax parking lot. Public Safety responded to Trax lot and confiscated the skeleton, which was returned to Public Safety for storage until the owner can be located.

ALCOHOL POSSESSION—While on routine patrol, Public Safety observed a male carrying a case of beer by Smith Hall. Upon investigation, it was determined that the male was a student under the age of 21. He was cited for possession of alcohol by a minor. The beer was confiscated and destroyed.

INFORMATION—Public Safety responded to Bertrand Library for the report of pornographic pictures in the restroom. The incident is under investigation.

PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS/DISORDERLY CONDUCT—Public Safety responded to Vedder Hall for the report of a male using obscene language toward several students. Public Safety was unable to locate the male but overheard that Lewisburg Police Department was looking for the same person. It was determined that the male, who was identified as a visiting professor, was highly intoxicated. Ward House keys were confiscated and the professor was removed from campus.

INFORMATION—Public Safety responded to Smith Hall for the report that a student could not put her key in her door. A locksmith responded to open the door and Public Safety found a cup of urine sitting inside the room. The student reported that her room was not locked when she left and that her key was misplaced for several days. The incident is under investigation.

Faculty and Staff Retirements

The Bucknellian thanks the following retiring members of the campus community for their years of dedicated service to the University.

John Cooper
Professor of Chemistry

James Pommersheim
Professor of Chemical Engineering

Maxine Gray
Post Office Assistant

Tom Travis
Professor of Political Science and International Relations

Daniel Hoffman
Associate Professor of Biology

Darlene Troxell
Duplicating Services Supervisor

Janet Neidig
Custodial Section Supervisor

Carol Wiles
Library Assistant, Serials

Congratulations to the graduating members of *The Bucknellian* Editorial Board and staff.

Thank you for your countless hours of service, enthusiasm and dedication.

Best of luck in all future endeavors.

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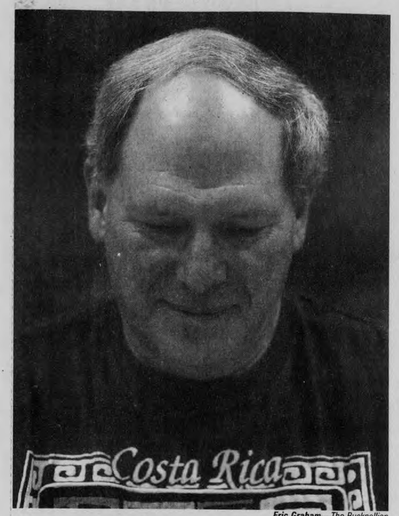
People of the Year

Travis retires after 33 years



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

In his 33 years at the University, Professor of Political Science and International Relations Tom Travis helped found the department of international relations and the Global Residential College. Many of Travis' students will miss his provocative and confrontational teaching style when he retires at the end of this semester.

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"One of his best traits is his inability to let people accept hypocrisy, and his need to share knowledge and an open mind with others," Purcell said. "He's annoying, he's complex and I honestly respect him far more than most people on this campus."

Matthew Guarini '04 said that Travis' style of teaching challenged him to think innovatively, and not just about international relations.

"I feel that Tom is what a teacher should be—a person who makes you think and reconsider your preconceived notions, making someone think and see things from a different perspective is what broadening your horizons is all about," Guarini said.

Travis' academic successes extend beyond the classroom. The University has awarded him many prizes, including the Lindback Award, the Class of '56 Lectureship Award, the Sears Roebuck Award for inspirational teaching and the Burma-Bucknell Award for his contributions to international awareness and understanding.

Despite these awards, the highlight of Travis' career has been the biannual ceremony for the Virginia Travis Lectureship Award, named after his mother and awarded to community members dedicated to social justice. The award has of late become a campus and local community event, filling the Gallery Theatre recently when Operations Manager of the Samek Art Gallery Cindy Peltier delivered an inspiring lecture.

When asked if he had any regrets about his experience at the University, Travis said that he had a few.

"I wish that Bucknell were a more diverse place, more welcoming of ethnicity, lifestyles and ideas. And I wish that more students were politically active and committed to acting on their beliefs," Travis said. "I also regret that in the last few years so many faculty have become alienated from Bucknell and dispirited by conditions here, and, as a result, some senior faculty and retirees have removed or cut back to contributions from their wills to the University. I will wait to see what happens in the next few years before sharing finances with the University."

Travis ultimately hopes to endow partial scholarships to gay and lesbian students in honor of his daughter and to Korean-American students in honor of his son.

He said that in retrospect he has grown tremendously as a teacher, scholar and person during the last 36 years of academia. Some of his growth, he said, occurred during his sabbatical experiences, including two Fulbright Scholarships to India and a third Fulbright Scholarship to Russia.

"I learned great deal about India and Russia during these Fulbrights and enjoyed teaching international relations majors and graduate students in these countries," Travis said.

> *"Tom is the type of professor who got inside your head and shook things up. He challenges and inspires his students."*
> ***—Sarah Bongarten '05***

Travis plans to spend time enjoying his avocational such as tennis, racquetball, hiking, skiing, reading and traveling.

"My wife and I love to travel and explore new cultures and venues, and I have a list of over 20 countries to which I want to travel in the next decade and more," Travis said.

Travis also plans to teach for a few years in the international relations program at an Indian university in Kerala, his favorite state in India, and a locale where he has many friends. He will also volunteer with local and international nongovernmental organizations.

"I will try to make the world a better place for the many rather than the few," Travis said.

Travis said he hopes to remain connected to the University community through the next adventure in his life, but certainly the imprint of his character will shine through the University and in the lives of his students.

> *"I have most enjoyed teaching the Global College's innovative and hard-hitting course, hanging out with students and taking them on trips to Quebec City and Washington, D.C."*
> ***—Tom Travis,*** *professor of political science and international relations*

As Jen Mellon '04 testifies and as so many students agree, "Tom Travis is by far the best professor at Bucknell University. His classes have changed my life forever, and he has contributed so much to my academic, philosophical and personal growth as both a student and a human being. His passion for teaching leaves students thirsting to learn more, and his legacy will live on at Bucknell and in my life for many years to come.

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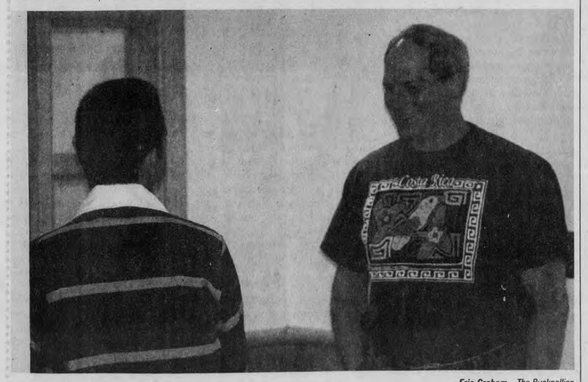

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Professor of Political Science and International Relations Tom Travis (right) converses with former junior fellow of the Global Residential College Paulo Palugod '04 after class. Travis was senior fellow of the Global College for several years.

Butler excels as student leader

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"It's amazing when I see the smiles on their faces when they have learned something, and I know I had a part in it," Butler said.

Butler has also had a large part in many University activities. Although she was not very involved during her first year here, it did not take long for Butler to let her natural leadership capabilities soar.

"It took me a couple of years to become independent and realize the impact I could make on this campus," Butler said.

In fact, Butler saw the need to increase leadership programming on campus and took the opportunity to help Assistant Dean of Students Amy Badal develop Leadership BUCKNELL, which evolved from a Bucknell Student Government-recognized group called LEAD TEAM.

According to Badal, Butler was extremely instrumental in the planning and implementation of the Student Leadership Conference the last two years.

"She is a natural leader whose creativity and energy are contagious. I will miss her playful personality, her incredible dedication to the tasks she takes on and her silly antics," Badal said.

Butler considers her work in forming Leadership BUCKNELL one of her greatest accomplishments here and sees Badal as both a friend and a mentor.

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> ***—Assistant Dean of Students Amy Badal***

"Dean Badal has inspired me. She has such a passion for everything that she does. If I could emulate her enthusiasm and zest for life, that would be fantastic. I'm lucky that I've seen that same energy in a lot of people here," Butler said.

Butler shows that same enthusiasm and energy as a resident assistant (RA). She is currently an RA for McDonnell Hall and was an RA for Roberts, Trax and Kress halls last year.

"Being an RA is an extremely rewarding experience if you let it be, and I believe I have," Butler said.

Butler's boyfriend Neil VanGinhoven '01 believes that being an RA reflects Butler's natural tendency to help others.

"This has been truly exemplified by her involvement with [the Residence Hall Association] and her pride in being an RA, where she has made the students on her hall an integral part of her Bucknell experience. Whether it was going out to bowl or making dinner for everyone on the hall, bringing everyone together has been important to her," VanGinhoven said.

Jennifer Leyton '03, also a member of the McDonnell RA staff, said that Butler has been there for her as both a friend and coworker.

"She is always there to help when someone needs it, and the best thing about Jen is that she is never afraid to say her opinion about something, even if she knows the result will not be favorable. She is opinionated, fair, honest and honestly believes in her views and opinions," Leyton said.

Butler has also contributed to student life at the University through her work with ACE. She joined ACE her junior year and became Traditions chairperson at the end of the fall semester. Butler planned several events, mostly Chrysalis and Siblings Weekend.

"Through her involvement, she has contributed to student life at Bucknell. Not only has she, I believe, really enjoyed her Bucknell experience, but she has worked to make sure that others students also have a great Bucknell experience," ACE Adviser Carolyn Strickland said.

Butler later joined BU After Dark's committee (Late Night Programming Committee). According to Butler, BU After Dark was originally created as a response to the student desire for more activities, occurring later at night.

Courtesy of Jennifer Butler

Butler poses in the Bucky the Bison costume. Wearing the costume was one of her goals while at the University, which she accomplished when she acted as the mascot during BU After Dark, an event she helped plan.

"We listened and modified our ideas by student input and we've created a highly successful, continuing event," Butler said.

Butler has worked very closely with the BU After Dark Committee since the event's inception.

"She has been so committed to its success that she even volunteered to wear the Bison outfit. I think she made a great mascot," Strickland said.

Butler said that overall she enjoyed being Bucky the Bison.

"It sure was hot and sweaty in there, but it was on my 'to-do list' while here, and I did it!" Butler said.

Butler has shown this same dedication and responsibility as a member of the University Concert Chorale.

"As the person in charge of publicity for the Concert Chorale, Jen has been a tremendous help with many of the organizational aspects associated with this group of 60 singers, as well as making arrangements for posters and advertising for our Weis Center concerts," Professor and Director of Choral Studies William Payn said.

Butler admitted that she sometimes feels overwhelmed, but said she only does things she enjoys.

"My biggest challenge has been knowing when to say, 'No.' There are so many things I wish I could have tried. I've learned you have to know your boundaries. It's difficult to choose which activities to pursue and still challenge yourself academically," Butler said.

Butler has not allowed her involvement with extracurricular activities to get in the way of her academics. She is an elementary education major and has fulfilled the requirements for a bachelor of arts in psychology. Butler has also made the Dean's List many times.

In fact, VanGinhoven feels that Butler's involvement has strengthened her academics.

"She has emerged beyond belief, rising in leadership for every activity and organization that caught her slightest attention. However, her extensive involvement in extracurricular activities did not slow her path of academic excellence," VanGinhoven said. "Instead, it strengthened the structure of her schedule and allowed continued success while building her leadership abilities, gaining further trust, respect and loyalty on campus."

Best friend Nicole Chabot '03 echoed VanGinhoven's thoughts.

"Jen is one of the most dedicated people to her academics I have met at Bucknell. She is repeatedly on Dean's List and makes every effort to get as much out of every class possible. She has absolutely made the most out of her academic experience at Bucknell. On top of this, she has found time and energy to immerse herself in student activities and give back to the University," Chabot said.

In any spare time that she has, Butler loves to laugh, watch movies and be with friends.

"She is the most true and honest person I know and impresses me every day with her dedication to people and things she loves. She knows what she wants and likes and what she doesn't and never strays from her determination to live a life true to herself," Chabot said.

Butler is currently interviewing for a teaching position at an elementary school and would eventually like to become a principal.

"I think that Jen is leaving Bucknell fully prepared to enter the work world and that she will be an excellent representation of Bucknell," Strickland said.

Conrad is also confident that Butler will use her qualities to succeed in life.

"She is gifted and talented in so many ways and is able to manage to take on so many things always performing in quality fashion. When Jen walks into a room, it automatically changes, she brightens it up and adds so much to the atmosphere. Jen knows what she wants out of life. She has set goals for herself and will without a doubt succeed in meeting them," Conrad said.

Butler originally came to the University because it was similar to her hometown of Moorestown, N.J., and has found her time here to be everything she hoped for in a college experience.

"I don't think I've had one bad experience. It's been a little piece of heaven and I'll miss it so much," Butler said.

> *"I don't think I've had one bad experience."*
> ***—Jennifer Butler '03***

As a result of her good experiences, Butler has much pride in the University.

"Waking up to Bucknell's magnificent campus every morning for the past four years has been a dream come true. I feel tremendously blessed to be a Bucknell family member for life. I'm proud to be a Bucknellian," Butler said.

Conrad said she believes that pride will remain a part of Butler.

"She is truly a Bucknellian committed to all that Bucknell stands for. I am confident that Jen will be involved in Bucknell's future as she has been such an integral part of the Bucknell present," Conrad said.

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

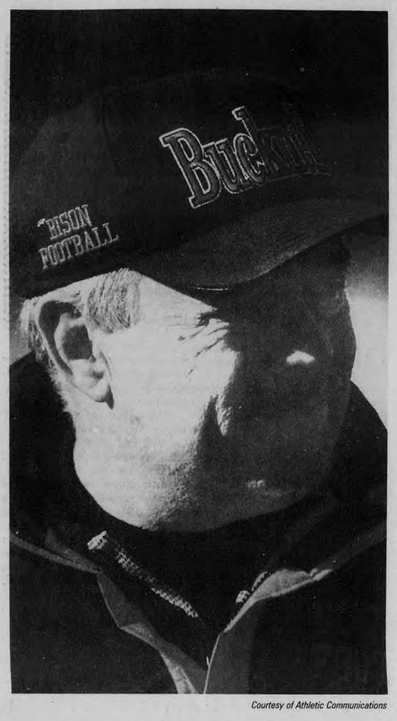
Butler observes a rat, which is part of her psychology experiment. She fulfilled the requirements for a bachelor of arts degree in psychology.

In Memoriam

Tom Gadd

FORMER HEAD FOOTBALL COACH

Over the course of his career with the Bison, the team never had a losing record and strung together seven consecutive winning seasons for the first time in the program's history.



Courtesy of Athletic Communications

BY CECILY CAIRNS
Sports Editor

Former Head Football Coach Tom Gadd passed away in his Lewisburg home on March 1, 2003 after a lengthy battle with brain cancer. Gadd, who was a week away from his 56th birthday, was a beloved member of the University community during his seven years at the helm of the football program.

While his accomplishments on the field were legendary, Gadd will probably be best remembered for his leadership, enthusiasm and energy, as well as for the work ethic and values that he instilled on his players.

Gadd began his career at the University in 1994, taking over as head coach of a football program that had only had one winning season in the previous 14 years. His magic touch was evident immediately, as he led the team to a 7-4 record in his first season and a Patriot League Championship in his second year.

Over the course of his career with the Bison, the team never had a losing record and strung together seven consecutive winning seasons for the first time in the program's history.

In 1997, he guided the squad to the only 10-win season in the University's history, which was good enough to merit a national top-20 ranking. During the same year, Gadd was named Patriot League Coach of the Year, and was also a finalist for the Eddie Robinson Award for Division I-AA Coach of the Year.

During the 2001 season, Gadd joined Bob Curtis in a tie for the most victories under a Bucknell coach with 48 wins. He was also the fastest coach in University history to reach that plateau.

While his accomplishments on the field were legendary, Gadd will probably be best remembered for his leadership, enthusiasm and energy, as well as for the work ethic and values that he instilled on his players. He went out of his way to contact and stay in touch with alumni of the football program, helping previous players stay close to the team.

Gadd graduated from University of California-Riverside in 1970, where he also began his coaching career as a defensive coordinator from 1972-1973. Over the next several years he contributed to programs at Long Beach State, University of Utah, University of South Carolina, where his Gamecocks where ranked as high as second in the nation in 1984, University of Minnesota and San Jose State University.

He then joined the Bucknell's program, immediately finding his niche in the University and Lewisburg communities. Gadd, an enthusiastic supporter of all Bucknell athletics, earned the respect of his players, fellow coaches and everyone else whose lives he touched.

Gadd was initially diagnosed with a brain tumor in January 2001, and although the tumor was successfully removed, it returned in the summer of 2002, rendering him unable to coach the team.

His competitive spirit and fortitude were evident in his hard-fought battle with cancer, just as they were in his storied coaching career.

Danna Frangione

DANCE PROGRAM FOUNDER

"Danna was a poet.
Her language was movement."
—Peggy Thrasher Law

BY MICHELLE DOMBECK
Managing Editor

Associate Professor of Theatre and Dance Danna Frangione, director of the University's dance program for 14 years, passed away on Dec. 5, 2002.

Over 200 people, including relatives, colleagues and students, attended Frangione's memorial service in January, which was entitled, "Remembrance and Celebration." The service focused on remembering the joy Frangione brought into people's lives.

Frangione's husband, Bob Frangione, shared many anecdotes about their life together. Frangione was normally a very shy person, her husband said, but on stage, she was anything but shy. Dance brought out the best in her, and she wanted to bring out the best in dance.

Frangione's colleagues also felt that she had a tremendous impact on them.

"Danna was the most loving and caring person I knew. We worked together, danced together and choreographed together for eight years," Associate Professor of Theatre Er-Dong Hu said. "She was my colleague and my friend. The extent of her impact on my life is immeasurable, and if not for her influence, I would not be who I am today."

In addition to Frangione's wonderful personality, she also was a talented dancer and choreographer. Hired as the University's first director of dance, she shaped the program.

"In her 14 years as director of the dance program, Danna facilitated the renovation of Tustin Gym into a magnificent dance studio ... designed and guided the successful implementation of a dance minor degree—which soundly balances theory and practice—served as the artistic director of 26 Bucknell Dance Company concerts and introduced the studio concert and choreographer's showcase as new dance venues," Associate Professor of Theatre Bob Gainer said.

"She was my colleague and my friend. The extent of her impact on my life is immeasurable, and if not for her influence, I would not be who I am today."
***—Er-Dong Hu,** associate professor of Theatre*

Frangione also added to the University's curriculum with a foundation and capstone seminar.

Prior to joining the University in 1987, Frangione taught at the University of Georgia, the University of Mississippi and South Dakota State University. Several of her colleagues from Georgia attended the memorial service.

"Danna was a poet," Frangione's former University of Georgia student Peggy Thrasher Law said at the service. "Her language was movement."

Lewis Hendricks Jr.

LEWISBURG MAYOR

Hendricks always had Lewisburg as his focus and helped out whenever he could.

Courtesy of the Milton Standard Journal

BY RACHEL LASKOW
Senior Editor

Lewis Hendricks Jr. passed away on Nov. 7, 2002, after serving as mayor of Lewisburg for over 30 years. He was 75.

Hendricks served on the Lewisburg Borough Council from 1970-77, acting as council president from 1972-76. He was mayor of Lewisburg from 1978-1993 and from 1996 until his death. Hendricks was also a council member from 1996-1997.

"... [he was] welcoming, helpful, good-humored and dedicated to the betterment of the borough."
***—Wayne Bromfield,** general council*

Hendricks was a Wal-Mart greeter and worked for Pennsylvania Power and Light (PPL) before retiring in 1990.

Over the past decades, Hendricks devoted substantial time to the development of Lewisburg's police department, encouraging training, updated technology and the overall modernization of the police force.

Police Chief William Neitz Jr. met Hendricks in 1973. Hendricks was on the hiring board when Neitz began working with the police department. According to Neitz, Hendricks helped to improve the technology of the police department.

"He was the biggest advocate of the police department and he was our best friend. He was upbeat on every thing he did," Neitz said.

According to Peter Bergonia, University utilities supervisor and Ward 3 Representative of the Borough Council, Hendricks always had Lewisburg as his focus and helped out whenever he could. Bergonia also believes Hendricks looked to improve the relationship between the University and the town.

"He was looking at communication to be better between the town and students. Students are here and we have to work with them," Bergonia said.

Before last year's election, Hendricks told *The Bucknellian* that he would encourage residents, business, University and borough officials to have quarterly meetings to discuss problems and issues for the benefit of everyone involved.

"Meetings with Bucknell Student Council members, chief of police and mayor would be exceptionally productive for all parties concerned," Hendricks said.

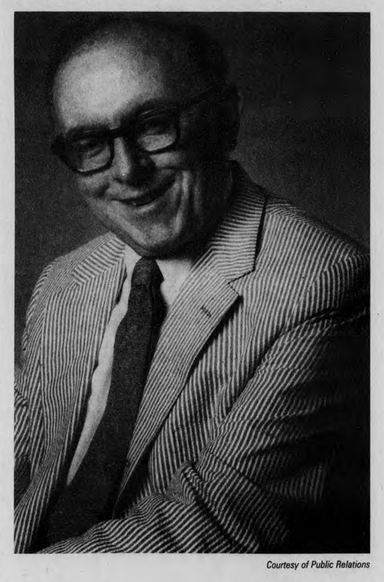
Hendricks, full of energy and dedication, helped orchestrate projects such as the Purple Heart Monument and Sept. 11 remembrances.

As University General Council Wayne Bromfield, who served as judge while Hendricks was mayor and in charge of the Lewisburg Police Department, said, "As a mayor and citizen, he personified his vision of the spirit of Lewisburg—welcoming, helpful, good-humored and dedicated to the betterment of the borough."

Robert E. Streeter '38

TRUSTEE AND FORMER EDITOR-IN-CHIEF OF *THE BUCKNELLIAN*

Streeter was the University's Commencement speaker in 1969 and he returned to teach here in 1988 when he took the position as the Phi Beta Kappa Visiting Scholar.



Courtesy of Public Relations

BY JIM LEAHY
Senior Writer

Robert E. Streeter '38 passed away on June 22, 2002 due to complications following surgery. He was 85.

Streeter was born in Williamsport in 1916 and graduated summa cum laude from the University with an A.B and honors in English. He did his postgraduate work at Northwestern University, receiving masters and doctoral degrees. He also held an honorary doctorate of human letters that the University awarded him in 1960.

During his undergraduate career at the University, Streeter served as the editor in chief of *The Bucknellian* and as the president of the Student-Faculty Congress.

His involvement did not stop following his graduation. Streeter served as president of the Bucknell Alumni Club of Chicago, represented the University at the inauguration of four college presidents, received the Bucknell Association Award for Outstanding Loyalty and Service to Bucknell in 1995, and served on the Board of Trustees from 1966 until his death.

Streeter was the University's Commencement speaker in 1969 and returned to teach here in 1988 when he took the position as the Phi Beta Kappa Visiting Scholar.

In addition, Streeter was the editor of Now and Then: A Sesquicentennial Miscellany, a collection of essays for the sesquicentennial celebration that the University had in 1996.

Streeter's career took him to many places. He served as a member of the editorial staff of the *Williamsport Sun-Gazette* from 1942-47, and was the American adviser to the English department at the Seoul National University in Korea. He was named a visiting professor at the University of Chicago in 1947 and became a full professor in 1958. While at there, Streeter was associate dean of the undergraduate college in 1953 and became dean in 1954. He was also appointed dean of the division of humanities in 1963 and again in 1968.

In article that appeared in the *Chicago Sun-Times* in June, the present dean of the graduate division of humanities at the University of Chicago credits Streeter with taking "the first steps toward what today is described as globalization and diversity." He finished his 39-year career in Illinois as the Edward L. Ryerson Distinguished Service Professor of Literature at Chicago University.

Streeter's career took him to many places. He served as a member of the editorial staff of the Williamsport Sun-Gazette *from 1942-47, and was the American adviser to the English department at the Seoul National University in Korea.*

Peg Emery

CUSTODIAL STAFF MEMBER

... Emery was well-liked among colleagues, employers and even the students living on the halls she cleaned.

BY JASON OSTER
Staff Writer

Margaret Ann "Peg" Emery, a member of the University's custodial staff for approximately two years, passed away on March 23, 2003. She was 59.

Working at private homes and for the University in Smith Hall and Spratt House, Emery was well-liked among colleagues, employers and even the students living on the halls she cleaned.

Custodial Section Supervisor of the Lower Campus Roger Snook was Emery's immediate supervisor at the University. Snook said Emery was not just a good worker but also a good friend.

"She was always concerned about people. She loved to sit and watch people."
***—Roger Snook,** custodial section supervisor*

"A lot of times you get people who are just peers and coworkers but Peg wanted to be a friend as well as a coworker," Snook said. "She was always concerned about people. She loved to sit and watch people."

People who knew Emery agreed that she was an individual.

"She was a very private person. Peg walked her own way and it made her the good person that she was. She never followed any cliques," Snook said.

Nonetheless, Emery was a friendly woman who enjoyed working with students, and one who took pride in what she accomplished.

In Memoriam

Robert E. Smith '39

DONOR AND TRUSTEE

Smith and his wife were great benefactors of the University, donating $8 million in February 2002 to fund the Recreation and Athletic Center.

BY JOLENE HART
Senior Editor

Robert E. Smith '39 died unexpectedly of an aneurysm on May 14, 2002. Born in 1917, Smith graduated from the University with a degree in economics. As a student, he was a member of Kappa Sigma Fraternity and the University's varsity basketball team. Smith married alumna Margaret "Peg" Farrell '41 in 1942.

"Bob was a classic servant-leader. Everywhere he went ... people asked him to lead, and he always obliged. In every case, his goal was institutional improvement rather than personal aggrandizement."
***—Gary Sojka,** professor of biology*

Beginning his career selling Rayon yarn for the American Viscose Corporation, Smith joined Chemstrand Corporation in 1948 and became vice president of national and international marketing. In 1977, Smith took over as president of the Beaunit Corporation, which was instrumental in the development of Acrilan and Astroturf. He taught marketing and established an extension program for North Carolina State University from 1968-70 before retiring in 1985.

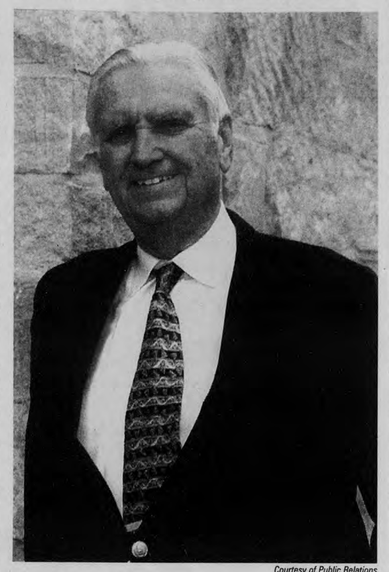
Smith joined the University Board of Trustees in 1982 and was elected chairman emeritus in 1988. He also served on the Bucknell Development Council and the Bison Club. Smith Hall was named in honor of Smith and his wife in 1987.

Smith received the Bucknell Alumni Association Award for Outstanding Loyalty and Service in 1990 and 1997 and the Alumni Achievement Award in 2002, which honors former Bucknell athletes who have gained special distinction in their careers.

Smith and his wife were great benefactors of the University, donating $8 million in February 2002 to fund the Recreation and Athletic Center. The donation is the University's largest single charitable gift to date.

According to Bucknell World, "Smith's donation was fostered by a desire to have a first-class facility for student recreation and athletics, in particular a top-notch basketball arena."

Shortly before his death, Smith said, "I happened to play in the first basketball game ever played in Davis Gym, and I thought at the time it was Utopia, because our previous games had all been played in the old Tustin Gym. Tustin had a running track around it, and you had to round off the corners of the basketball court because of the track. Bucknell rarely lost a home game in those days, because there wasn't another court like it anywhere. It led Bucknell to develop the first three-out, two-back zone defense. Now here we are, 60-some years later, and look where we've come."



Courtesy of Public Relations

The Smiths selected Gary Sojka, former University president and professor of biology, as the namesake for the University's new basketball pavilion.

"Bob was a classic servant-leader. Everywhere he went—at Bucknell, his condo association in Florida, the Burr and Burton Academy in Vermont—people asked him to lead, and he always obliged. In every case, his goal was institutional improvement rather than personal aggrandizement," Sojka said.

Richard Iskandar

UNIVERSITY STUDENT

Iskandar ... was well-respected and held in great affection by people who knew him.

BY JOLENE HART
Senior Editor

Richard George Iskandar, a University junior, passed away on Dec. 20, 2002 at Geisinger Medical Center in Danville, where he had been hospitalized because of serious complications of a long-term medical condition.

Iskandar, a fine student who had been active in many student organizations, was well-respected and held in great affection by people who knew him.

"My hallmates and I soon found about his failing kidneys and the need for dialysis, to which one's supposed reaction should be pity and remorse. But Richie made it difficult for us to feel sorry for him; he had more life in him than any person I know," close friend Rob Schmicker '02 said. "Conversations became livelier when he entered the room and he never had negative things to say about anyone. Whenever we had a problem, we could talk to Richie and somehow he was able to put it in perspective because of his wonderful understanding of life. He was an amazing listener and friend."

Courtesy of Renee Orzechowski

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***—Rob Schmicker** '02*

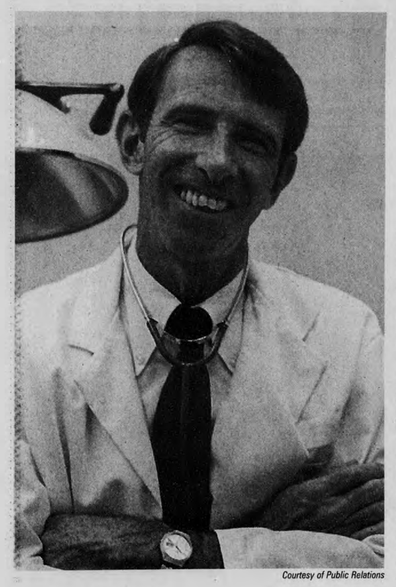
The campus community deeply felt the loss of one of its students.

"Due to the presence of family, visits by many students, faculty and staff from Bucknell, the spiritual ministrations offered to him by several church communities with which he was in fellowship, and the careful attention of Geisinger medical personnel, he made his departure from this world well cared for and supported," Dean of Students Richard Ferraro said in a campuswide e-mail notification of Iskandar's passing.

J. Preston Hoyle

FORMER UNIVERSITY MEDICAL DIRECTOR

Hoyle became a member of the University community as a physician in 1962. In 1981, after nearly 19 years as an associate physician in the Student Medical Service, he became the medical director of the University Student Health Service.



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BY JENNIFER JENCHURA
Senior Writer

Former University medical director J. Preston Hoyle passed away on March 29, 2003 at age 73, after an extended illness.

Hoyle became a member of the University community as a physician in 1962. In 1981, after nearly 19 years as an associate physician in the Student Medical Service, he became the medical director of the University Student Health Service. He was instrumental in initiating several campus medical programs such as the AIDS Task Force.

"As a result of this committee, the Pennsylvania Department of Health comes to campus on a regular basis to administer HIV testing. He was also instrumental in creating the Student Health Service Advisory Committee which prompted changes at the Student Health Service, such as the availability for prescription medication to be purchased at the health center and providing courier service for patients' laboratory specimens to Evangelical Community Hospital for analysis," Health Service Assistant Director Nancy Shuck said.

Developing the University's first alcohol and drug program, Hoyle sought better public health education, including treatment of alcohol and drug addiction.

"He was a kind and compassionate man who cared deeply about his family, colleagues, students, and patients. He had a pleasant personality and a great sense of humor," said Bob Thomas, coordinator of drug and alcohol programs at Bucknell.

Since his arrival in Lewisburg, Hoyle was a leader in the community. He served as medical consultant to the Union County Prison, deputy coroner and school physician for Lewisburg elementary schools.

Throughout his life, Hoyle had a special fondness for the medicine of children and young adults. He volunteered his services as a physician for the county's Well Baby Clinic and Head Start Program. He was also a member of the board of trustees of Evangelical Hospital, a delegate to the Pennsylvania Medical Society, a deacon and trustee to the First Presbyterian Church of Lewisburg and a board member of the Lewisburg Listening Post.

After working for the National Institutes for Health, Hoyle attended the University of Pittsburgh and received his degree as a medical doctor in 1957. After medical school, he served in the U.S. Army as a captain in the medical corps. Hoyle moved his family to Lewisburg in 1962 to begin his private practice of obstetric and pediatric medicine as well as serve the University's student medical service.

Hoyle leaves behind his wife of 51 years, June, and three children including Susan Hoyle-Fournier '88.

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John Wilkins '80

ISR SYSTEMS INTEGRATOR

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BY JENNIFER JENCHURA
Senior Writer

John Wilkins '80, employed at the University for the past eight years as a Systems Integrator for Information Services and Resources (ISR), passed away on Jan. 13, 2003 after a 14-year battle with cancer. During his tenure, Wilkins' talents as a cryptography expert, security professional, programmer and UNIX system administrator were significant assets both to ISR and to his colleagues.

"Wilkins has a long history at Bucknell, both as a student and as a member of the staff. In his work life, John spent a great deal of his time working on large systems that work behind the scenes in ISR. Our use of the dial-in modems, e-mail, listserv lists, Web services and Banner all depended on John's careful attention. He was also one of our primary security experts," Associate Vice President for ISR Gene Spencer said.

Although Wilkins was unable to come to the office during much of his last year, he continued to work from home.

"His unique and exceptional combination of personality, technical skills, creative intellect and interests was something that I'll always remember fondly and most likely will be a standard against which I'll unintentionally compare all other of my close colleagues in the future," ISR Systems Integrator Chris Weber said. "Our brainstorming sessions and technical discussions, non-work-related conversations, projects we shared, the constant bloom of humor in the office, and our easy relationship combined into something that, frankly, was my primary source of job satisfaction during John's term of employment here."

For the nine years prior to returning to the University as an employee, Wilkins was an advisory engineer to IBM's Cryptography Center of Competence in Manassas, Va. While there, he was named as an inventor in 18 patents in the areas of data security, multimedia copy protection and network analysis. Wilkins was also the founder and owner of Petra Security Architects, a consulting firm for computer and network security, and a founder and co-owner of WellChildForms, Inc., an Internet company providing customized well-child forms to pediatricians and family physicians.

"Those who knew John will remember him for his uncommon and quiet courage, great faith, capable intellect and welcome wit."
***—Chris Weber,** ISR Systems Integrator*

An amateur radio operator for over a decade, Wilkins enjoyed running, biking, hiking and cross-country skiing. Wilkins was a member of the Mifflinburg Christian and Missionary Alliance Church.

"John was an active participant in Bucknell's Christian community and he and his family often opened their home to many students from that community. I've heard many stories of groups of students meeting at their house to share a meal, share fellowship and escape the campus for just a little bit," Spencer said.

According to friends, Wilkins was always willing to share his considerable knowledge, ideas and well-considered opinions with anyone who might ask.

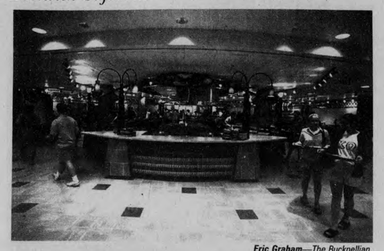
"Those who knew John will remember him for his uncommon and quiet courage, great faith, capable intellect and welcome wit," Weber said.

In the past year, our community has suffered a number of losses, from coaches to custodians. *The Bucknellian* honors their memory.

Articles compiled and edited by Jolene Hart.

Additions and Improvements

Bostwick Cafeteria



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O'Leary Center for Geology and Psychology

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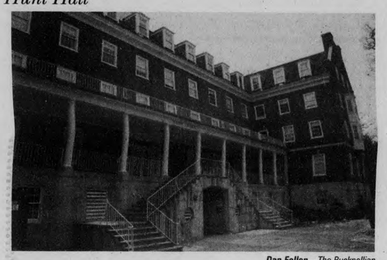
Hunt Hall



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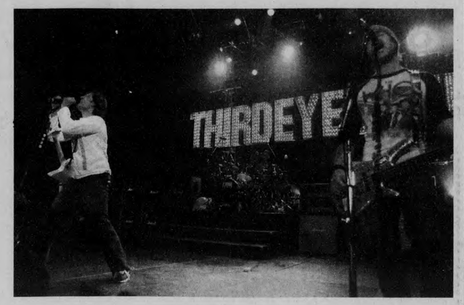

Spring Concert
Third Eye Blind

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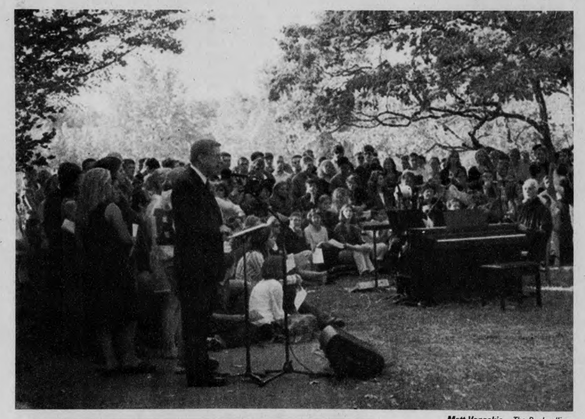
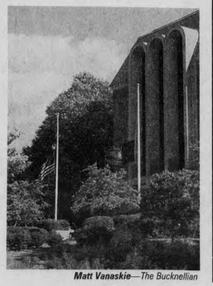


Matt Vanaskie—*The Bucknellian*

Remembrance, Reflection, Renewal: Sept. 11, 2002

"May our actions speak louder than our words and may this coming year be a time when we our both proud of ourselves and proud of our great nation."
—Rabbi ***Serena Fujita***



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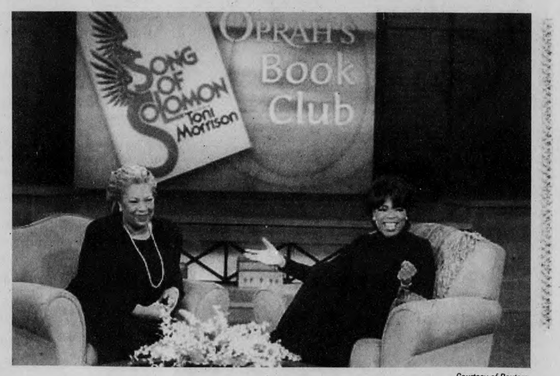

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Famous Faces: Toni Morrison (top) and Deborah Norville (right)

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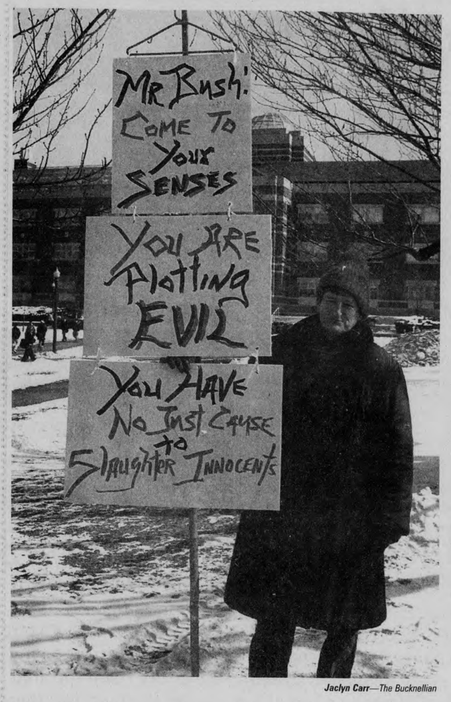


Jaclyn Carr—*The Bucknellian*

Tyler Kidder—*The Bucknellian*

War with Iraq

"I am so impressed with the degree of civility during demonstrations. People are both thoughtful and polite and I see no insensitivity."
—Dean of Students ***Richard Ferraro***

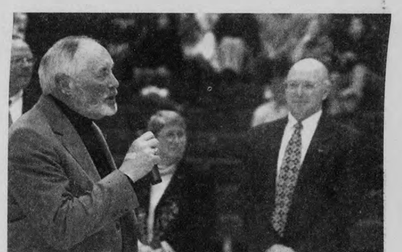
Year in 2002-2003 Review

The New Recreation and Athletic Center

Dan Fellon—*The Bucknellian*

Eric Graham—*The Bucknellian*

"Having been involved with the RAC from the project's initial design stages, it's very exciting and gratifying to see the ideas and concepts for this facility become an active, functioning reality with the opening of the fitness center. The overall quality of the new fitness facility is first rate, and the initial feedback from both the campus and community has been very complimentary."
—Athletic Director ***John Hardt***



Eric Graham—*The Bucknellian*

Sojka Pavilion Dedication

"Davis Gym represents the past—the future will be played out on these boards. Tonight we start to write a new chapter of Bucknell University."
—Professor of Biology ***Gary Sojka****, at the Sojka Pavilian Dedication*

Eric Graham—*The Bucknellian*

Senior Reflections

With four years under our belts, we seniors have experienced a great deal of commotion: political, economic, military and sentimental. From the great flood, where the University gave free housing and meals to flooded residents, to the Iraqi War, where we've held protests and support groups, we have come together as a community despite our differences. This is a timeline of the major campus events the Class of 2003 will hold in its memories.

—*By Aaron DeRosa '03*

Aug. 20, 1999
A host of freshmen, now referred to as "first-year students," moved into their dorms during the first rainfall of the summer, affectionately dubbed the "Drought Busters."

Sept. 7, 1999
Heavy rains cause flooding across Lewisburg—Sixth Street had to be evacuated.

Oct. 11, 1999
World population reaches 6 billion milestone.

April 27, 2000
David Carpenter '00 is named *Bucknellian* "student of the year" while Professor of Mathematics Allen Schweinsberg wins "person of the year."

June 26, 2000
Human genome is deciphered.

Sept. 28, 2000
Serena Fujita named Bucknell's first full-time rabbi.

Sept. 28, 2000
Bucknell's comprehensive fee increases 5.64% to $31,096.

November 2000
Presidential race between George W. Bush and Al Gore causes months of controversy. Gore wins the popular vote, but a Supreme Court ruling holds Bush's electoral victory.

Jan. 20, 2001
The new Seigfried Weis Music Building is dedicated.

April 20, 2001
Men's lacrosse earns its first NCAA tournament bid after securing its first-place finish in the Patriot League.

April 27, 2001
Matt Cole '01 is named *Bucknellian* "student of the year" while VP of Student Affairs Charles Pollock '70 wins "person of the year."

May 2, 2001
In an effort to comply with federal Title IX regulations, Bucknell cuts the wrestling squad and demotes the men's crew team to club varsity.

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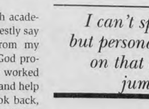
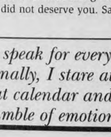
Jan. 22, 2000
Uptown, the nonalcoholic, on-campus club in the basement of Swartz Hall opens. Jimmie's Chicken Shack headlines the grand opening.



March 22, 2000
Provost and VP of Academic Affairs at Clemson University Steffen H. Rogers is selected by the board of trustees to replace William D. "Bro" Adams as University president.

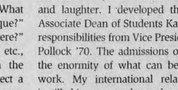


August 2000
The New Residential Hall, located between Swartz Hall and the Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium, opens for the 2000-01 school year.

Nov. 30, 2000
The women's volleyball team wins the Patriot League tournament and advances to the NCAA tournament.

Jan. 26, 2001
Earthquake in India kills thousands.

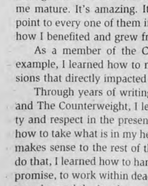
June 2001
Assistant Professor of English Eric Faden purchases the Campus Theatre on Market Street.



June 7, 2001
President Bush signs the country's largest tax cut in 20 years in hopes of resuscitating a failing economy.

Jim Leahy

Former Managing Editor



Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

The end. A finish line I have been dreading since my first month on campus. It seemed so far away in 1999, but something happened along the way. Four years at Bucknell passed in the blink of an eye and, looking back, it has been a roller coaster ride to remember forever.

My first day was a wet one. I remember leaving my home on Long Island on a sunny morning and beginning the first of many trips west on interstate 80 towards Lewisburg. The car was full of my possessions and family and we traveled in relative silence to see where the road would lead us.

As the rains began to fall, a sense of dread and fear crept up on me. I was frightened of the road ahead and the rain was only making things worse. To add insult to injury, as we turned onto Route 45 only a few miles from campus, my bike fell off the car and I had to fix it in the pouring rain.

After moving in, watching my dad retrieve the car from a flood and a long goodbye in the rain next to Taylor Hall, I watched my family drive away and I remember feeling very alone and wet, not from the rain but from tears streaming down my face. What was going to happen? Who would I meet? How would I get through this?

Over time, those fears became useless. My parents did come back (especially once my sister decided to play volleyball here), I found friends in many places and created for myself a life I could not have imagined on that rainy day in 1999.

Four years seems like such a long time when you are sitting in high school or packing for the move to college. Those four years have passed in, pardon the expression, a New York minute. When I was leaving campus after my first semester, I thought about the one down, seven to go thing. Now it is eight down. Amazing.

Four years have held some amazing times. We lived though an amazing flood, the election of 2000 (listening to the chaos through one speaker in *The Bucknellian*'s office, the nightmare of Sept. 11, Operation Iraqi Freedom. We saw Bro Adams move on to Colby College and Stef Rodgers arrive.

Our campus saw an immense amount of construction—O'Leary, McDonnell Hall, the Kenneth Langone Athletic Center, the Weis Music Building, a new cafeteria, Coleman renovations, Hunt renovations, Vedder renovations, etc. Physical Plant (which employs some of the best and most underrated employees at this school) dug countless holes (Is it in the bylaws somewhere that there must always be a big, steaming hole on campus?).

Bucknell will always be special to me—and ultimately my family—in so many ways. I have a sister here who will one day share a special bond with me. I have parents who love Bucknell and all it stands for. I have an aunt and uncle who love this place and will remain even when my sister and I are long gone. Perhaps more than anything else, though, I have a diverse circle of friends that I owe many things to. They taught me how to learn, live, laugh and enjoy life. In reality, they changed me completely and opened my eyes up to a world I was missing. For that, I am forever grateful.

As I walk across the stage on May 18 and move away, I will forever be in awe of this place. I will never forget the sunsets, the cherry trees on the quad or the way campus looks under a fresh coat of snow. The people here will also be a fond memory—professors, staff and good friends are irreplaceable and are what helped to make this experience all it could be.

When I give my tours people ask me all the time, 'What is the best thing about Bucknell?' The real answer came to me the other day at 5:32. The echoes of our alma mater through campus brought it all home. It is the people and the memories they leave, etched in the mind, of the four best years a person could have.

Michael Boland

Former Business & Politics Editor

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Trying to capture four years worth of memories in a 700-word essay is, I imagine, a little like setting out to "clean" the streets of Lewisburg. You know you're going to fail. You can only hope that somebody, somewhere, will appreciate the effort.

So here goes.

I don't mind telling you that I had something of a rough start at Bucknell. I didn't make many friends at first. In fact, I never even had a second conversation with the first person I ever met here—and the kid lived across the hall. I felt alienated from my peers for a thousand different reasons—most of them stupid. I was self-conscious about being a non-athlete on a hall full of varsity athletes. I didn't drink. I didn't care for parties. I read in my spare time. I often went to bed before midnight. I ate a lot of salad.

They thought I was weird, and they were probably right.

Fortunately, over time I settled in. And though academics have always been important to me, I can honestly say that most of my personal growth stemmed from my involvement in activities outside the classroom. God provided a number of unique opportunities, and He worked through each of them to teach me something new and help me mature. It's amazing. It's as though I can look back, point to every one of them in turn, and clearly identify just how I benefited and grew from being involved in each.

As a member of the Community Judicial Board, for example, I learned how to make difficult, unpleasant decisions that directly impacted the lives of others.

Through years of writing opinions for *The Bucknellian* and The Counterweight, I learned the importance of civility and respect in the presentation of your views. I learned how to take what is in my head and express it in a way that makes sense to the rest of the world, and when I failed to do that, I learned how to handle criticism. I learned to compromise, to work within deadlines and, on a few occasions, even learned the joy that comes when a person you respect tells you "job well done."

From my involvement with the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, I learned that leadership is all about sacrifice and service. In the process I had tons of fun, made dozens of friends and learned the importance of patience, compassion and forgiveness in my Christian walk. Plus I discovered four-square. That was pretty huge, too.

Of course, college isn't about the stuff you do—it's about the people you do it with. I've met some truly amazing people these last four years.

To my professors: Thank you for teaching me—not just information, but how to think.

To the rising leadership of the groups and causes I hold dear (and you know who you are): Stay strong. Play fair. Think big. And as Pythagoras once said, "Rest satisfied with doing well, and leave others to talk of you as they please." I know that you'll make Bucknell a better place.

To all the friends I've made along the way: Thanks for the good times. I did not deserve you. Sal, you've been an awesome roommate. Three years out of four without killing each other … that's not bad. Hey, I have an idea. Why don't we get married? We could live together for the rest of our lives.

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I can't speak for every senior, but personally, I stare at May 18 on that calendar and I'm a jumble of emotions. I'm proud and nervous and excited and sad and thrilled and worried and more than a little bit dazed by how quickly it all went.

I know Bucknell isn't perfect. But it was good to me, it was good for me and I'm confident that my experiences here have helped prepared me for a happy, productive future out there in the real world.

The Class of 2003

"My favorite Bucknell memory occurred when we scored with nine seconds left against American in the semi-finals of the Patriot League soccer tournament my junior year. That win put us into the championship game against Navy, and so when my teammate, Emily Keber '03, scored … the entire team sprinted down the field and piled on top of her despite the fact that there was still time on the clock. Then we beat Navy in overtime to become the first Bucknell women's soccer team to ever win a P.L. Championship. It was such a great feeling to win those games for our team and for Bucknell … and it is a memory that I will never ever forget."
Laurie Purse

"The night before classes freshman year, anticipating my four years ahead—hard to believe they are already over!"
Jennifer Hoek

"On those quiet days when no one was around campus, I loved sitting on the 'Sunset Strip' of the quad to watch the sun go down."
Michele Kawood

"… The stupidity of our behavior freshman year: 'room parties,' trying (usually unsuccessfully) to get into parties, becoming instant friends with 20-plus people and the general mayhem."
Brendan Putnam

"Winning the 2001 Patriot League Championship for women's soccer … and playing Penn State in the NCAA Tournament."
Kate Cramer

"Nothing beats the 'freshman flood.' I only regret sleeping through it to hear about the great tidal wave the next morning."
Jennifer Butler

Laura Day

Former Managing Editor

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

In various contexts throughout my four years at Bucknell, I have been asked an array of questions along the same theme: "Why Bucknell?" "What makes this school unique?" "Why did you come here?" "What do you like most?" etc., etc. It seems as though the inquirers unrealistically expect a concise, cut and dry response. But the first thing I learned at Bucknell was that nothing in life is black and white—it isn't even shades of gray.

Instead, I find life to be colorful, vibrant and ever-changing. As such, life poses a kaleidoscope of challenges, triumphs and setbacks for which one can never be fully prepared. Thanks to my experience at the University, as I graduate and enter the next phase of my life, I feel as prepared as possible!

In my four years here, I formed relationships with friends on deeper levels than I thought possible. Members of my sorority and other friends became family to me. Several colleagues, professors and administrators became role models and inspirations.

From the Alpha Chi Omega sisterhood, I learned the importance of unity and service for the greater good. From my closest friends, I discovered the virtues of generosity, patience and laughter. I developed the skills of multitasking from Associate Dean of Students Kari Conrad and the balancing of responsibilities from Vice President for Student Affairs Charles Pollock '70. The admissions office staff demonstrated to me the enormity of what can be accomplished through teamwork. My international relations and French professors instilled in me an enhanced appreciation for multiculturalism, understanding of varying ideologies and promotion of diversity. Professors like William Gruver, Emek Ucarer and Tony Massoud challenged me to higher standards of learning, both independent and collective. My colleagues in the Bucknell Student Government reaffirmed my values of consistent ethics, compromise and tenacity. The list of skills, values and knowledge learned at the University continues endlessly. For, the University, in its entirety, afforded me the opportunities to discover who I truly am. It is at the University, through countless relationships in varying contexts, that I found myself.

For the joy of self-exploration, intellectual pursuits, moral growth and lifelong relationships, I am so proud to be a Bucknellian. Thank you to everyone who contributed to affording me a well-rounded education.

Senior Reflections

Oct. 26, 2001
BSG President Nate Sorber '02 runs for mayor of Lewisburg and BSG Congress member Matthew Kasdan '03 runs for Ward III Borough Council seat.

Dec. 2, 2001
Enron Corp. files for bankruptcy.

Jan. 2, 2002
The Euro currency is introduced into 12 European countries.

Feb. 8, 2002
Bucknell's comprehensive fee increases 8.7% to $33,392.

Feb. 12, 2002
Responding to a Halloween incident where two fraternity brothers painted their faces black and dressed as the tennis sisters, Venus and Serena Williams, a forum is held in pursuit of diversity awareness.

April 26, 2002
Erica Delsandro '02 is named *Bucknellian* "student of the year" while professors Richard Peterec and Doug Candland are awarded "person of the year" honors.

February 2003
President Rogers officially releases Vision 2010, a plan for Bucknell's future.

Nov. 4, 2002
Faculty approves a plan for a living wage and merit aid scholarships.

March 17, 2003
President Bush declares war on Iraq.

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Sept. 11, 2001
Terrorists attack the World Trade Center in New York City and the Pentagon in Washington, D.C., by steering hijacked planes into them.

Nov. 10, 2001
The women's soccer team advances to the NCAA tournament.

November 2001
Kasdan ties Peter Bergonia for Ward III Borough Council Seat, losing when Bergonia's name is selected from a hat, literally.

March 2002
The Bostwick Cafeteria closes for renovations.

March 8, 2002
Behind All-American Molly Creamer '03, the women's basketball team advances to the NCAA tournament.

July 21, 2002
Worldcom files for bankruptcy in the largest claim in U.S. history.

July 22, 2002
The new Bison logo is unveiled.

Jan. 15, 2003
The Sojka Pavilion opens, boasting a new 4,000-seat stadium.

January 2003
After major renovations, Hunt Hall reopens.

Jan. 31, 2003
Bucknell's comprehensive fee increases 5% to $35,262.

Speakers
Oct. 15, 1999—Jane Goodall
April 17, 2000—Danny Glover and Felix Justice
Oct. 25, 2000—Howard Zinn
Feb. 28, 2001—Ralph Nader
Oct. 9, 2001—Janet Reno
Oct. 17, 2002—Toni Morrison

Concerts
Nov. 12, 1999—Counting Crows
April 8, 2000—Indigo Girls
Nov. 11, 2000—Foo Fighters
April 20, 2001—Shaggy
Nov. 3, 2001—Live
April 19, 2002—Busta Rhymes
April 4, 2003—Third Eye Blind

Commencement Speakers
May 21, 2000—Eavan Boland
May 20, 2001—Jeff Greenfield
May 19, 2002—Ken Langone
May 18, 2003—Deborah Norville

Takes a Look Back

"Being able to watch the first basketball game in the brand new Sojka Pavilion and realize how much both Bucknell and I have evolved in the past four years."
Jennifer Jenchura

"Wish I knew … probably the time I did JELL-O wrestling when I was a freshman."
Louis Blau

"When [Associate] Professor [of Physics Jeffrey] Bowen smashed the top of the science table in Olin auditorium into pieces with a sledgehammer while trying to demonstrate the difference between the weak force and strong force in nature! This was during a lecture for a Physics 212 class with about 75 students in it. I guess from now on he'll just use a rubber hammer."
Jessie Yamas

"Students on the quad with a Slip 'N Slide while a tour walked by! Gotta love Spring at BU!"
Allison Hysong

"My Bucknell memories date back to House Party with my parents when I was only a few years old and Homecomings with grandparents, aunts and uncles as well. Because of that, my favorite memories have been comparing my fun times and great experiences here with those of my grandparents well over 50 years ago and realizing how lucky I am to be here."
Allison Lyon

"My favorite memory at Bucknell was winning the Patriot League Swimming and Diving title for the first time in school history, my senior year, in the inaugural year of the new Kinney Natatorium. We had trained for four years to achieve this goal, and to have it happen our final year was the perfect script to our time here at Bucknell."
Stephen Schwanhausser

"One of my favorite memories is a bittersweet one: I remember the community streaming in from all directions to gather at Rooke Chapel after the events of 9/11. The names of those who had perished were read aloud. It was beautiful to see the Bucknell community coming together as they did."
Casey Bitting

"One of my favorite Bucknell memories was singing in my first Candlelighting service with the Chapel Choir. When the entire congregation lit candles and joined us in singing 'Silent Night,' it was amazing!"
Sara Mastrony

"I have many individual memories, but the best memory is knowing I spent the past four years of my life at Bucknell."
Aimee Gallagher

Katie Hays

Former Features Editor

Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian

In theory, I like to think myself a Bucknell curmudgeon—a Bucknellian against Bucknellians, a theoretical misanthrope, a remote senior who will unfeelingly move on.

In practice, I am none of these. And I will not unfeelingly move on. My theories fall: I like my experience of Bucknell.

When I began to edit *The Bucknellian* as a sophomore, Jim Lee, our adviser, met with me each week. There, in addition to exchanging thoughts on the newspaper, we discussed student apathy and arrogance, the prevalence and damaging effects of Greek life, frustration and—yes—opportunity.

As a senior, I can state with confidence bolstered through experience: Bucknell is rife with opportunity.

If I could leave a message based on my experience here, it would be directed to those who feel, as I did at first, that they might not fit the Bucknell ethos. To those who, like me, have felt detached from Bucknell's central social scene, to those who have considered transfer: Bucknell holds abundant opportunities for the "atypical" Bucknellian—whose numbers are steadily increasing.

How can someone feel nurtured and stimulated at Bucknell, both socially and intellectually, without glimpsing the inside of a frat house?

The question has been answered by hundreds of students, in hundreds of ways, over the span of Bucknell's existence.

It was answered, for me, through interning for West Branch, a national literary magazine based at Bucknell. It was answered when—as an idealistic sophomore—I proposed a Bucknell-sponsored undergraduate academic conference to the administration, and the administration listened.

They did not approve, but they listened.

The question was answered as Professor of English Harold Schweizer pretended to play a miniature violin during a party at Professor of English Michael Payne's house. It was answered as Chair of the English Department John Rickard's dog Bruno sang along with "Ave Maria" during a James Joyce seminar held in his family room.

As the Humanities Residential College painted murals, rode buses to New York City and stayed overnight in Washington, D.C., the question was, again, answered.

During concerts by the University's Concert Chorale, during lectures by Jane Goodall, Richard Dawkins and Toni Morrison, the question was answered resoundingly. When Bucknell encouraged my honors thesis, a collection of short fiction, when I read translations with Russian poet Olga Sedakova and worked on a collaborative poem with Stadler Intern Professor Ron Mohring, the question was—over and over—answered.

It was answered day by day, hour by hour, countless times, during my years here. And my experience was no anomaly. I've learned not to be so negative—the face of Bucknell is malleable. It is molded by our desires for it.

In theory, Bucknell and *The Bucknellian* are a moderate-to-conservative institution and an institution-sponsored newspaper: nothing to seek out, appreciate or miss when I have gone.

I repeatedly stumble on that fissure between theory and practice.

In practice, I've learned that Bucknell's social, academic and compositional identity has evolved during my years here. As Bucknell continues to question its approach to Greek life and its dedication to its so-called traditions, its face will inevitably—and, I believe, beneficially—shift.

I could conclude my message, then, by advising students who feel atypical to help further that shift—by remaining at Bucknell.

I could conclude by thanking my professors whose company and teaching is unparalleled, who have become friends, and who feel like family. I could thank those who support the Residential Colleges. I could thank those involved with Bucknell's fine English department.

Or I could thank the passing anonymous Bucknellian who mooned me tonight as I walked to the Langone Center.

I could thank this Bucknellian because, after all, a would-be misanthrope needs practical fodder for her disdain. A would-be misanthrope needs, in practice, a cause to smile. I've seen the backside of Bucknell. I've also seen its face.

I have seen, finally, that Bucknell possesses as many backsides and faces as it does opportunities. It is home to curmudgeons, apathetics and arrogants. It is a shape-shifter. I am glad to have stayed to know its several shapes. I am grateful to have shifted shapes within it.

Kristi Johnston

Former Arts & Entertainment Editor

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

With graduation fast approaching, I think it is only natural to look back and reflect on the last four years of my life at Bucknell. I honestly don't know how much of what I've learned in the classroom will be necessary in the future. I don't know whether or not the Bucknell name is going to help me get ahead in life. But I do know one thing—I know I will take the memories of the amazing experiences I have had here at the University with me wherever I go, for the rest of my life.

Ralph Waldo Emerson once said, "The best effect of fine persons is felt after we have left their presence." As I prepare to leave this place and the many wonderful people I have met here, I am already beginning to feel the mark that each and every one of them has left upon me.

Bucknell has always been a part of my life. My parents went here, my sister goes here and my family lives in Lewisburg. I know I will be coming back. But it will not be the same. Despite the beauty of the campus and the integrity of the University's character, the real Bucknell, for me, lies within the friendships I have made and the lessons I have learned, both inside the classroom and out.

The wonderful group of faculty and staff members with whom I have interacted has made my experience here especially enjoyable. I don't think there are a lot of other universities where you can travel to a professor's house for class, or watch a documentary that a professor has recently made herself or read poetry underneath the cherry tree in the president's backyard.

Another aspect of my college career that has been extremely rewarding is my job in the Personnel Office. The wonderful group of staff members there has given me the confidence and experience to go on to my next job, though I have been a little spoiled—I think I will expect a birthday party and an end-of-the-year luncheon in my future jobs as well.

Bucknell has also provided me with many opportunities to get involved in student activities on campus. I will always be grateful to the people I have met through my involvement with Fire and Ice and the Spirits of Praise choir. And I will especially miss the wonderful times I had working on *The Bucknellian*. I owe a lot to the entire staff, especially Rachel Laskow '03 and Jason Rubinstein '04, for showing me that writing is especially fulfilling when working with creative, fun individuals.

Recently, a friend asked me what my favorite Bucknell memory was. It gave me a great deal of pleasure not to be able to answer her. There are just too many wonderful memories to choose one. From House Parties to football games to Candlelighting, each of these events has contributed to my college experience. I want to thank my friends, especially my roommates, for showing me how wonderful college can be, Kendra for carrying on the family tradition and Melinda Kummer '05 for making Arts & Entertainment the most fun section of the paper (in my humble opinion).

I don't know where I will be in a year, or five years, or 20 years, but I do know that Bucknell, and especially the friends I am privileged to have met here, will remain in my heart forever.

Senior Reflections

Telling it like it is ...

Eric Graham—*The Bucknellian*

Rachel Laskow

Senior Editor

A few weeks ago, I was in Vice President for Student Affairs Charles Pollock's '70 office interviewing him for one last *Bucknellian* article. When the interview was over, he asked me about my future and as I left he told me that one of the hardest parts about being an administrator is forming relationships with students and then having them graduate. I thought about what he said for a few minutes and realized that the hardest part about being a Bucknell student is not the classes I've taken or the endless hours I've spent in *The Bucknellian* office trying to put together a paper. Instead, the hardest part is knowing that those experiences and the people I've met from them will not be a part of my *everyday life forever.*

I do not think that there are too many people at other schools who can say they have been out to lunch with a dean and vice president, have had class at a professor's house, have interviewed the president, have attended a press conference with Janet Reno and have met the chairman of the Board of Trustees. Although most of those opportunities happened because I was editor-in-chief of *The Bucknellian*, they also happened because I was able to make the best out of my Bucknell experience.

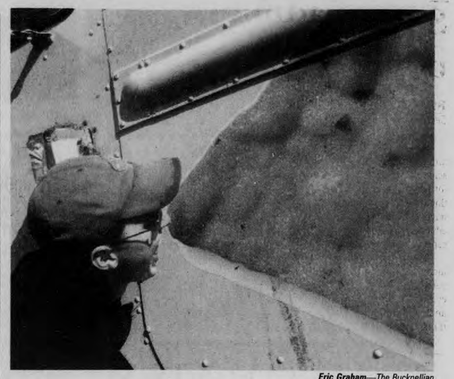
I came to Bucknell a shy freshman, not knowing what I wanted to get out of my four years of college. I started out by writing for the newspaper. By the beginning of my sophomore year I was a layout editor and by the second half of my junior year, I was editor-in-chief. I truly believe that the newspaper allowed me to find my place at Bucknell. Being editor-in-chief taught me more about myself and life than I could have learned in any classroom. Yes, my professors taught me to challenge myself and think critically, but being editor-in-chief prepared me for my future. I learned despite missing articles, staff conflicts and hours of homework, I had to put out a paper and that paper had to be the best I could possibly make it. If I settled for less, not only would I be letting our readers down, but I would be letting myself down.

Another rewarding experience that I've had here is being a teaching assistant (TA) for "baby bio" for four semesters. At our first meeting this semester, all of the TAs went around the room and said their names and majors. When it was my turn and I said that I was an English and Spanish major, everybody stopped and laughed at me. One TA even jokingly told me I was in the wrong place. That's what I love about Bucknell—the fact that I can be an English and Spanish major and still have the opportunity to TA for a biology class is something that I don't think I could have done at many other colleges.

This past week, I TAed for the last time, I went to my last Editorial Board meeting, wrote my last *Bucknellian* article and spent my last Wednesday night in *The Bucknellian* office. Next week I will attend my last class, write my last paper and finish my last homework assignment. These past four years have seen many disappointments, many mistakes, many improvements and many hopes for the future. We lived through the tragedy of Sept. 11, 2001, but were able to remain strong and united as a Bucknell family. We witnessed the blackface incident, but learned from the mistake and in turn have increased diversity awareness on campus. We experienced overcrowding in dorms and a rundown gym, but the problems were solved with a new dorm and new athletic center. As I write this, we see Bucknell continue to move into the future by installing new technology such as wireless Internet.

My friends often laugh at me because when we walk outside, I always run into somebody I know—whether it's a *Bucknellian* staff member, one of my residents from when I was a CHOICE Fellow, a professor or an administrator. It is those people who I will miss seeing every day, even if it was just to say a friendly "hello" or give a quick smile. Those people, along with my friends, have truly made my Bucknell experience wonderful. Also, I would like to thank *The Bucknellian* Adviser Jim Lee for giving me support and ideas throughout my years on the paper. Sandi-Jo Galati '04 has provided me a great friendship and I thank her for her constant dedication to the newspaper. Most importantly, I would like to thank Jason Rubinstein '04 for being a wonderful friend and for forcing me to think outside of the box. Jason challenged me to become a better editor-in-chief, and in turn, I became a better person.

On May 18, 2003, I will experience my last Bucknell event as a student and see all of my friends together for the last time in the place we've called home for the past four years. Although I do not know what my future will bring, I am confident that my Bucknell experience has prepared me to face any challenges I will face.



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Aaron DeRosa

Senior Editor

With a word of caution to those who may dare to read this: This article is sappy, sentimental and talks about my grandmother. It is important to me, of course, but for those who are looking for my own special blend of comedy and intrigue, you won't find it here. Check the sports section. This article is about growth, a bildungsroman du jour of Aaron and the blue hat. So sit back, enjoy the tale and maybe you'll learn something.

P.S. The picture above is me eating the Dorito on the side of the truck. It speaks to the nature of humankind ... know it, love it, live it.

When I started high school my grandmother was sick. She had had a stroke, and then was diagnosed with lung cancer. She was getting chemotherapy and the doctors gave her a few months to live—I told them all she would see me graduate. My brother had left for college the year before and I was just finally getting to enjoy the "last child left" syndrome. I got the front seat in the car, the snacks I wanted from the grocery store, and dinner conversations were either about me or at the very least, it was me asking the questions.

When my grandmother moved in with us, it was hard to adjust. All those privileges seemed to disappear and my family seemed mentally and physically taxed.

Around the same time, I began wearing a hat. I wore it everywhere. In fact, the only place I didn't wear my hat was at meals. My grandmother used to tell me to take my hat off at the dinner table. At the beginning, I couldn't understand what she was trying to say, her stroke had impaired her ability to form clear sentences, and the heavy phlegm getting caught in her throat from years of smoking ... I would just stare at her, head cocked, trying to decipher her gesticulations until she would finally lean over with her thin, smooth fingers and yank my hat off and blurt out, clear as day, "No hats!"

Four years later, when I packed up my car for the trip to Lewisburg, before my parents and I hopped in the car, I took my hat off and gave my grandmother a hug and told her I'd be back in a few months. The doctors had nothing on my grandmother and as I slid back into the car and put my cap back on my head, I told my parents she'd see me graduate again.

Bucknell was something I wasn't really ready for. I hadn't liked the University when I made the visit almost a year and a half earlier and, being accepted off the wait list, I hadn't had time to visit again.

My blue Mets cap stepped out at Swartz Hall under a canopy of rain and I still wasn't ready. I walked in and met my roommate for the first time and I still wasn't ready. I took two semesters of work, trying to find a field I was interested in and I still wasn't ready.

I wasn't ready to be known as the "kid in the blue hat" either, but it became a safety net of sorts. It was like Superman putting his glasses back on and becoming Clark Kent. With my hat on I could do anything, and take my hat off and people wouldn't know who I was. It was easy.

So when a friend on my freshman hall asked me to judge the Mr. Bucknell competition, I couldn't do it without my blue hat. And when I began writing poetry for the first time, I couldn't do it without my blue hat. And when I was first asked to read at a poetry slam, I couldn't do it without my blue hat.

But somewhere over my four years at Bucknell my hat stopped becoming an escape. I stopped taking my hat off when I was embarrassed or when people told me it was "odd" or that I was "f---ing stupid" (like that drunken schmoe at formals who was jealous that he couldn't wear a hat at formals—well, I showed him). I stopped taking my hat off when I started realizing I was worth recognizing, and that realization is something that I owe to Bucknell and to all the people I've met here. My hat is the mark I leave on Bucknell and the mark that Bucknell has left on me.

My grandmother passed away after my freshman year at Bucknell—perhaps my second prediction was a little overzealous. Somewhere in the expansive collection of photographs stored in the DeRosa home, there is a picture of my grandmother wearing the wig she wore to cover her chemo-ridden head, and on top of the wig rests my blue hat. It is a reminder to me that life is merely the downtime between times when you make an ass of yourself, and until you embrace your own weaknesses, you're not going anywhere.

Nowadays, when I eat dinner I think about the surprising jolt of strength from a woman who was stronger than I ever dared guess pulling my hat from off my head as I sat down at the table.

When I walk up to receive my diploma you can bet your sweet bippy my tassel will be hanging from a very faded blue Mets baseball cap. But when I sit down for dinner later that night, you can rest assured my hat will be off, maybe for the last time, in memory of a woman that knew how to live, and who gave me the courage to live it myself. Gram, this one's for you.

Andrea Dill

Chief Copy Editor

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful and committed citizens can change the world....It's the only thing that ever has." ~"The West Wing"

There is a ceiling tile in Smith 2A that doesn't quite match the others. It is a little whiter, a little out of place. On the same hall, there is a crack in the turquoise light cover over the fire extinguisher. Unnoticeable to the average passerby, these irregularities make me smile. Hypothetically, the tile might blend better into the ceiling of 3A, had its 2A predecessor not been the casualty of a rugby ball. Theoretically, the cracked plastic may have been hastily patched with glue and camouflaged with highlighter after coming in contact with a souvenir Yankees bat.

Answering an e-mail about copy editing for the newspaper is one of the best decisions I have ever made. I've never met a more dedicated, well-intentioned and hysterical group of people than my friends on the Editorial Board.

These may have been the stories I brought home with me for winter break my first semester on campus. Everybody asked me if I liked Bucknell, to which I replied that I loved it. Since then, my answer has changed—I love the friends I have made here.

I like to think of myself as an atypical Bucknellian—I don't drink, I own less than five items from J. Crew and I am not a part of Greek life. A friend said that were I ever intoxicated, I'd be walking the halls naked—onlookers are forever thankful for my alcoholic abstinence. People introduce me at parties with first name, "Andrea," and last name, "She Doesn't Drink." I guess that's important information; therefore, I am essentially useless for the likes of pong and Beirut. But that's OK because I'm a little prissy, and the idea of gulping a drink tainted by a Ping-Pong ball that has bounced in beer sludge isn't exactly appetizing.

Instead of going Greek, I found my niche at *The Bucknellian* junior year. Answering an e-mail about copy editing for the newspaper is one of the best decisions I have ever made. I've never met a more dedicated, well-intentioned and hysterical group of people than my friends on the Editorial Board.

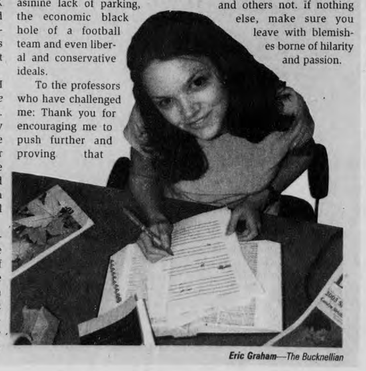
As the walls literally crumble, the staff is often in the decrepit basement office of Roberts Hall until 3 a.m. to make deadlines. On Fridays, when a new edition of *The Bucknellian* is available to the campus community, there is often newspaper carnage around the Bison, which is a sight to see for the bleary-eyed staff. Read *The Bucknellian*. Criticize it. Write a letter to the editor or otherwise contribute. Mine has *The Bucknellian*—whatever yours is, find a passion worth talking about at the University.

There is often the criticism that students are apathetic. Apathy may be true in some cases, like one junior I talked to who said she had no opinion about Iraq and knew nothing about France's involvement. Hopefully, she is a pathetic anomaly. I have met people whose comments are often not only soporific, but questionably human, and others whose sheer brilliance and level of accomplishment inspire me to be a better person.

I have heard debate about everything: the University's resistance to acting on student input, Israel versus Palestine, the asinine lack of parking, the economic black hole of a football team and even liberal and conservative ideals.

To the professors who have challenged me: Thank you for encouraging me to push further and proving that sometimes discourse does extend outside of the classroom, even for 18th or 19th century Romantic literature course. To the friends who have kept me relatively sane: Thank you for making my last four years immeasurably better with your clever wit, intelligence, idiocy, laughter, compassion and encouragement. To my family: Thank you for putting up with me.

My family first moved me in August 20, 1999. They will watch Commencement on May 18 as the newest University alumni blend together in caps and gowns, each having left an indelible mark. The University is truly an amalgamation of the people, all of whom hopefully leave with stories like "Operation Jack-A-Tile" and how their Elmer's glue finally came in handy. Across campus there are slight scars that represent its true character and spirit, some visible and others not. If nothing else, make sure you leave with blemishes borne of hilarity and passion.



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Senior administration under heavy criticism

By Josh Fisher
Section Editor

Several faculty members have ardently criticized the University's senior administration in recent months for lacking leadership abilities, institutional memory and vision. These critics have also expressed fears that higher education has become "commodified," especially at the University.

These faculty claim that in an increasingly competitive industry the persistent calls for operational efficiency, streamlined academic processes and cost reduction measures have transformed the traditional "liberal arts" education into a relic of the past, and that individual career advancement is tending to replace the social, political or moral goals of higher education.

"We are unique and we need to celebrate that fact."

***—Steffen Rogers,** University president*

Other University community members do not share these fears and claim that "marketing" college education is necessary to deal with current institutional realities, need not be detrimental to the educational experience and instead may offer a greater breadth of courses and a more diverse array of educational opportunities.

Most faculty and administration declined to comment on the morale and leadership of the University.

"We are unique and we need to celebrate that fact," University President Steffen Rogers said.

Rogers said that he does not believe that the University is losing its character in the light of increased competition among universities.

Professor of International Relations and Political Science Tom Travis disagreed with this statement.

"Thirty-three years at Bucknell University and I've never seen so many faculty who are so disenchanted, alienated and distressed about the conditions in the University, and this dissent cuts across the divisions of the University and all faculty ranks," Travis said.

Professor of Geography Environmental Studies Ben Marsh also said that he believes the morale of many members of the University community is suffering.

"In my 25 years [at the University], I have never known the faculty and most of the administration and even the paint crew to be so dramatically disaffected," Marsh said.

Professor of Management John Miller said he believes that this morale crisis is the case at the University and among other universities as well.

"Morale is exceptionally low, and it isn't just Bucknell, it is faculty across the country," Miller said.

"I have been brought to a level of total frustration," Professor of International Relations and Political Science Steve Stamos said, pointing to a crisis in leadership at the University as the source of the morale crisis. "The thing is, nobody cares about anything. At the last faculty meeting there were 80 people there—20 administrators and 60 of 290 faculty, all of whom were senior faculty. It was a depressing turnout."

Professor of Management Timothy Sweeney also said that low faculty morale is evident at the University.

"It seems that faculty are less enthusiastic to attend monthly faculty

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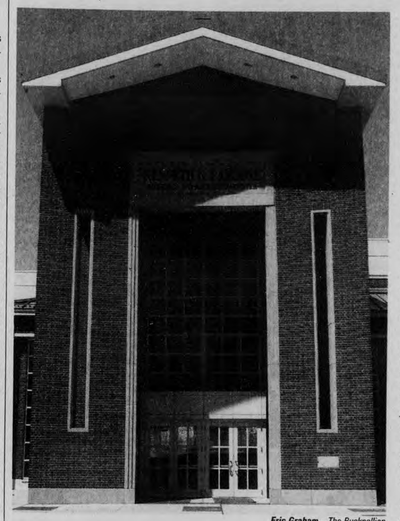
Langone '57 accused of securities fraud



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The recreation and athletic center will be dedicated to Kenneth Langone '57 this weekend. Langone's company Invemed is currently under investigation for allegedly overcharging customers for IPOs.

By Elisabeth Salemme
News Editor

University alumnus Kenneth G. Langone '57, who leads as chairman, chief and executive president of Invemed Associates LLC, a small securities firm on Wall Street, has been charged by securities regulators with improperly sharing customer profits by overcharging customers on initial public offerings (IPOs) during 1999 and 2000, according to *The Wall Street Journal* and *The New York Times*.

The National Association of Securities Dealers (NASD) claims Invemed Associates violated many NASD rules and NASD is seeking a court order that would require Langone's company to surrender any "improper" IPO profits, according to *The Wall Street Journal*. The alleged charges accuse Invemed of charging its clients oversized commissions in exchange for IPOs that were expected to be profitable.

According to *The New York Times*, Invemed inflated the cost of commissions for institutional customers to as high as $8 per share when those customers wanted to quickly sell the IPOs they had purchased. The traditional rate per share is 6 cents, according to *The Wall Street Journal*.

According to *The New York Times*, NASD has brought the lawsuit against Invemed Associates as part of a continuing investigation into how companies like Invemed became so successful in the late 1990s.

The Wall Street Journal reported that Langone, who also serves as director on the New York Stock Exchange board, the General Electric Company board and the Home Depot, Inc. board and corporate governance committee, has taken an strong stance to fight the charges against him. Other firms such as the Credit Suisse First Boston unit of the Credit Suisse Group, who faced similar charges, settled by paying fines. The firm did not admit to or deny the charges.

Due to a hectic schedule, Langone was unavailable to comment for *The Bucknellian*.

"I welcome the fight…If other people want to roll over and admit they did something, if they did something, good for them. We deny any and all wrongdoing. We did not engage in profit sharing or any other conduct in violation of NASD rules. Our practice with our customers was that our customers set commissions unilaterally," Langone said last week to *The Wall Street Journal*.

According to *The New York Times*, Invemed, which was founded in 1974, has had a close relationship with the Credit Suisse Group that dates back to the 1980s. The companies jointly managed an offering of shares for another company Langone helped to fund, according to *The New York Times*. In the arrangement, Invemed would introduce companies that would issue stock to Credit Suisse, and then Credit Suisse would give a percentage of shares in a larger firm the group was managing to Invemed. According to *The New York Times*, in March 2000, Invemed participated in 50 new stock issues, more than 90 percent of which were underwritten by Credit Suisse.

According to *The Wall Street Journal*, NASD alleged that Invemed failed to "observe just and equal principles of trade, failed to close excessive clients commissions and profit-sharing arrangements, failed to keep accurate books and records, failed to supervise employees and failed to keep adequate supervisory procedures."

Forbes Magazine has estimated Langone's wealth at approximately $750 million.

Langone has donated millions of dollars to the University, and both the Student Center and part of the gym have been named in honor of his contributions.

Langone also served as Commencement speaker for the graduating Class of 2002.

"If true, [Langone's] circumstances are unfortunate. I hope that the words he offered at Commencement are those that he not only preached, but by which he lived," Kevin Swenson '93, who attended the Commencement ceremonies last year, said.

In his Commencement address, Langone advised graduates on the principles he has followed since his graduation from the University.

"Since my graduation I've observed two principles that stand above all others: personal values and one's capacity and obligation *to give back to society. I confess* to you that I wish over the years I had always been as sensitive to these issues as I now urge on you," Langone said.

Alumni Association brings new programs to University

By Jen Jenchura
Senior Writer

The University Alumni Association has been involved in a host of activities, including recent programs formed in conjunction with the Career Development Center (CDC), that demonstrate its loyalty to the University.

The Alumni Association has worked to redefine itself and better support programs that benefit students as well as alumni and their families. One of the Association's goals is to pique student interest about the association so that undergraduate students begin to think about how University alumni can benefit them.

"The mission of the Alumni Association is to actively and effectively advocate for alumni in order to promote and enhance Bucknell. We want to cultivate new programs, come up with ideas and, if we can, fund them," Alumni Association President Scott Singer '87 said.

The association recently made several changes. Through the creation of new programs with the CDC—such as the Bucknell Alumni Career Services program, which is available to alumni—the association has taken an active role in securing employment opportunities for Bucknellians. Tying their success with increased funding, the Alumni Association's Finance Committee has developed ways to fund new initiatives with agreements from affinity programs, such as special credit card offers.

"As a result of the monies earned, the board is able to be in the envious position of being responsible for allocation of funds to various University and alumni related projects. The two most important of these are the CDC service for alumni and the Bucknell Public Interest Program offering fellowship internships and job opportunities to students and graduates in not-for-profit agencies," Van Cleave '59 said.

The Alumni Association has funded parts of many programs. In January the Alumni Association Board of Directors officially announced the creation of the Alumni Service Career Program, a career development position that the association is underwriting for the first three years to help it grow. Shannon Bradford, the new program director, hopes to create a career development program for geared towards alumni. Bradford is responsible for this unique program.

"In keeping with the Bucknell philosophy and the CDC mission, the Alumni Career Services Program focuses on helping alumni take a proactive approach to developing their careers," Bradford said. "It is not intended to be a job listing service or to find someone a job, but instead, to assist alumni in learning how to think about career paths, identify immediate and lifelong career goals, evaluate possible careers, make career transitions, develop job search strategies and materials, succeed in the interview process, network effectively and so on."

"Almost one-third of those I have worked with are 2002 alumni who were either not yet employed, lost their jobs or were looking to change jobs."

***—Shannon Bradford,** Alumni Association program director*

Since Bradford's arrival last fall, she has had much response, especially from recent alumni who wish to change career paths.

"I have worked with over 160 alumni, from 2002 back through 1960, primarily via telephone or e-mail, or sometimes in person," Bradford said. "Some of the 160 I have only had one interaction with, but many of them I have conversed with several times. Almost one-third of those I have worked with are 2002 alum-

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Delta Upsilon's annual Demie Play canceled

Courtesy of The Bucknellian Archives

Shown here in 1996, the Demie Play has been a University tradition for 88 years. This will be the first year in the history of the play, formerly a literary play, that it will not be performed.

By Elisabeth Salemme
News Editor

Delta Upsilon (DU) Fraternity announced the cancellation of its 88th annual Demie Play on Wednesday. The play, which was supposed to be performed today and Sunday, is DU's main philanthropy event and was one of the longest standing traditions at the University.

After reviewing the script for the play that was presented to the administration by DU, Assistant Dean of Students and Director of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs Lewis Marrara said the script was too offensive and needed revisions. The brothers of DU met and decided they did not want to revise their script, and it was not in their best interest to perform a play that did not match the revised script they would present to the administration.

"The script we gave to Marrara was definitely PG-rated. I think we were forced into canceling it," DU Community Service Chair Steve Santulli '05 said.

According to Dean of Students Richard Ferraro, Assistant Dean of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs Shuna Irwin and Marrara, the Dean of Students Office and the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs did not mandate that DU cancel its Demie Play. The e-mail they received on Wednesday morning was the first that they had heard of this cancellation.

Businesses and organizations donated money for advertisements in the Demie Play playbill. According to Santulli, Business Manager for DU Scott McElhone '03 has returned all the donations.

All proceeds from the event were supposed to go to the YMCA Sports Youth Program, with which DU has been involved this year. Donations submitted by parents of DU brothers will be given to this program.

"Normally DU donates approximately $1,500-2,500 as a result of our annual Demie Play. As one of the business directors, I had already received $1,500 in donations from parents and local businesses to advertise in the Demie Bill. Essentially that is the play bill. Parents have messages for their children and the brotherhood. Businesses from town like to advertise in it since so many people come to the play and read the bill. Unfortunately, I had to send business donations back to the respective establishments," McElhone said.

According to McElhone, the cancellation of the play resulted in a $750 loss of donations to the charity.

"This was our main philanthropy event, and now we are scrambling to decide what we are going to do as far as how we will accomplish what we have to in terms of community service hours," Santulli said.

McElhone said the entire brotherhood felt forced into canceling the play.

"The main reason students come to see the play is for the hilarious satire that we put on about the campus. The past three years we had tremendous success putting on our own versions of 'Star Wars,' 'Ghostbusters' and 'Goonies,'" McElhone said. "As a brotherhood we felt we could not supply the kind of entertainment that comes with the purchase of a Demie Play ticket because of the extreme censorship required by Dean Marrara on our script."

Those students who purchased a ticket for the play on Monday or Tuesday and would like a refund may write their names and box numbers on the back of their tickets and send them through campus mail to DU, Box C3962.

"This was the 88th Annual Demie Play and thanks to the University administration, we had to end that 88-year tradition. We are tired fighting with the deans. It seems no matter what we do we are persecuted," McElhone said.

According to Marrara, he met with DU students on Wednesday and encouraged them to reschedule the play for the fall.

"The Demie Play has become a big event on campus and it is a shame that it won't happen this year," DU alumni board member Brian Watson '01 said.

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Public Safety Log

Sunday, April 13

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION/PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS—While on routine patrol, Public Safety observed a student attempting to gain access to Vedder Hall. Upon investigation, Public Safety determined that the student was intoxicated and under the age of 21. Citations were issued for underage consumption and public drunkenness.

VANDALISM—A student reported to Public Safety that unknown person(s) broke a window pane on the main exterior door to Roberts Hall. The incident is under investigation.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—While Public Safety and Lewisburg Police Department were on routine patrol at the intersection of S. Sixth and St. George Streets, a vehicle passed at a high rate of speed. Lewisburg Police Department stopped the vehicle on Moore Avenue near Rooke Chapel. Upon investigation, Lewisburg Police Department determined that the driver was an intoxicated student, under the age of 21 years. Citation issued for underage consumption and student was escorted by PSO to her residence.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—A student contacted Public Safety and requested transportation to Evangelical Community Hospital for treatment of flu symptoms. A Student Health Services driver responded and transported the individual who later returned to campus.

Monday, April 14

DISORDERLY CONDUCT—A student reported to Public Safety that a fight had occurred earlier at Smith Hall. Upon arrival, Public Safety investigated and identified four students who had been fighting. Citations were issued to the four for disorderly conduct.

RETAIL THEFT—An employee reported to Public Safety that a student had received processed film and left the store without paying. The incident is under investigation.

Tuesday, April 16

INFORMATION/REQUEST FOR INCREASED SECURITY—An employee contacted Public Safety and requested increased security for the primate center at the Animal Behavior Lab in Bucknell West because this area was discussed in various Internet chat rooms by animal rights activists. Public Safety agreed to increase patrols in that area.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT—Public Safety responded to Davis Gym for the report of a student with a foot injury. A Student Health Services driver responded and transported the individual to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room for treatment. The student later returned to campus.

Wednesday, April 17

VANDALISM—An employee reported to Public Safety that some vehicles had been vandalized in the Seventh Street parking lot. Upon arrival, Public Safety discovered one vehicle without a license plate and two others with bent plates. No witnesses or suspects could be located in a search of the area. The incident is under investigation.

ASSIST POLICE—Pennsylvania State Police requested that Public Safety assist in locating a student who was wanted for questioning in a retail theft incident that occurred off campus. The student was not at her residence and no further action was taken at the time. Pennsylvania State Police eventually made contact with the student.

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION—While conducting a Safe Escort for two students, Public Safety detected the strong odor of alcohol in the vehicle. Upon investigation, both students admitted to consuming alcohol although under the age of 21. Citations issued for underage consumption.

MISSING PROPERTY—A student reported to Public Safety that his wallet was missing. The individual was advised to contact his bank and credit card companies.

Thursday, April 18

UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION/PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS—Public Safety responded to Smith Hall for the report of an unconscious male. Public Safety found a student under the age of 21, passed out. Lewisburg Police Department was notified and the student was transported to Evangelical Community Hospital Emergency Room. Citations were issued for underage consumption, possession of false identification and public drunkenness.

INFORMATION—An employee brought a female student to Public Safety to report an incident of alleged sexual assault that occurred in her room in Swartz Hall. The incident is under investigation.

Editor-in-chief reflects on term

By Jason Rubinstein
Editor-in-Chief

Eric Graham—The Bucknellian

Editor-in-Chief Jason Rubinstein '04 discusses a recent issue of *The Bucknellian* during a weekly Editorial Board meeting. He has worked at *The Bucknellian* since his first semester at the University.

"You're an engineer. You have a job lined up after college. You're not going to be doing anything like this after graduation and you don't need to build up your résumé."

"So why the hell are you the editor of the school newspaper?!?"

No doubt, I have heard those comments time and time again. Yet it didn't seem to matter and I never second-guessed my level of commitment to *The Bucknellian*. I major in mechanical engineering—almost the complete opposite end of the spectrum from journalism; however, I must say that I have learned more during this last semester as editor-in-chief of the paper than I believe I will ever get out of my engineering education. And no, that's not a result of my tendency to skip classes.

Yes, it's true. I would skip classes, sacrifice my social life and academics and go without sleep to do whatever was possible to make the newspaper better. And while there are no regrets, I realize that I must step down as editor-in-chief of *The Bucknellian* and focus on my "real" education and prepare for my job in the Navy.

As I have told the staff several times, I care more about *The Bucknellian* than anything else on this campus—and I will continue to do so. Next semester I look forward to working with those editors who take as much pride in the organization as I do.

This semester has seen a great number of improvements in the paper.

Due to the healthy working relationship that we have with our publisher, *The Daily Item*, and specifically Tim Switzer, we learned how to increase our photo quality to a level that rivals most other college newspapers. Our staff has put out two incredible "special" issues—"Sexual Assault at Bucknell" and "The Great Divide" on the war with Iraq—in addition to this captivating 36-page paper. I am most pleased to say that our readership has grown significantly, both on campus and off.

I have always considered the editor-in-chief position to be more of a "chief executive" rather than an "editor" of the newspaper. In this way I hope to have set a precedent for future editors-in-chief from the business standpoint. I have found that the "business people"—advertising, sales, etc.—have been neglected. I have put a significant amount of time this semester into increasing revenues to a new height (the paper is, for the most part, self-sufficient) and establishing a permanency to the business division to meet the quality and professionalism of the rest of the staff, and will continue to do this next semester.

I would like to thank Sandi-Jo Galati '04, associate editor, Michelle Dombeck '05, managing editor, and James Lee, adviser, for their tremendous support for the past 13 issues. Sandi brought her invaluable experience as news editor and successfully impressed upon the staff some of the most important issues in publishing, all while studying for the MCATs, which she will be taking tomorrow. Michelle's dedication was apparent to everyone on the staff—I swear she never left the office. She did an excellent job in any task she was assigned, no matter how important or tedious. Jim was the source of knowledge and wisdom and he was always available to talk to whenever necessary. I appreciate his openness and tremendous efforts to help improve *The Bucknellian*.

Most importantly I would like to thank Rachel Laskow '03, for without her continuing support, motivation, friendship and encouragement, I would undoubtedly not be writing this today. It was a privilege to be Rachel's associate editor while she was at the helm, and I am honored to have had her as a dedicated senior editor for my term.

From photographer to section editor, associate editor to chief executive, I am proud to have been a part of such an amazing team. And when most students come to campus after graduation and check out their fraternity or visit their professors, I will look forward to coming to this office and remembering how much *The Bucknellian* has meant to me.

I want to wish the best of luck to next year's editors, and to the more than 100 students who work toward putting out this award-winning publication each semester.

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ni who were either not yet employed, lost their jobs or were looking to change jobs."

This structured program has a host of services available for a diversity of alumni, which has only seen the beginning of possibilities.

"Within the program, alumni are grouped according to age, taking into account the different issues affecting each generation of Bucknell graduates. Based upon the information learned from a benchmarking survey and alumni feedback, we are concentrating first on alumni who have graduated in the past five years. The introductory Web site [linked to the CDC site] outlines the program, services available and previews the upcoming services," Bradford said.

Like the roots of the Bucknell Public Interest Program (BPIP), the Alumni Service Career Program taps similar resources. The Alumni Association originally proposed the BPIP to the University and started the pilot program in 2000. The Alumni Association looks to build meaningful programs through its own funding at first, and if they are successful the University can make them permanent fixtures.

"The BPIP was initiated out of the efforts of the Alumni Association. Alumni got support for the program. If we can prove success then the University is inclined to allocate monies toward that program. The BPIP program director's position [held by Kathy Kennedy '01] used to be funded by the Alumni Association, but in July 2003 the University will begin paying for it," Singer said.

Three years later, the program has been successful in providing yearlong fellowships in nonprofit organizations committed to social change.

"Each fellow is matched with an alum who helps them as they transition from Bucknell to their fellowship. This program is great because it allows alums to volunteer their time helping recent graduates and it helps students learn about and work in the nonprofit world," CDC Director Laura Denbow said.

Using alumni to communicate to current students about job opportunities directly benefits alumni as well as the students.

"One of the outcomes of being in the Alumni Association is that not only do I get satisfaction out of Alumni Services that we have established, but it has given me an opportunity to meet current Bucknell students. Because of that, in the last two summers, I have hired three Bucknell students, mostly due to my connection with the Career Development staff," Board Chair of Career Development Kevin Blackwell '85 said. "I never used that facility while a student at Bucknell, because there wasn't the dedication and knowledge of the staff that there is now—students at Bucknell should feel lucky to have them, and I am glad that I am aiding them in my capacity."

The Alumni Association funds its activities through affinity programs with companies that Bucknellians already use. In exchange for royalties send to the association, the companies gain business. The New Bucknell Credit Card Provider Board agreed to contract with MBNA with a guarantee of a $25,000 sign on bonus and a yearly royalty payment of $150,000. The board then allocates this money to projects supporting alumni and the University. Other sources of revenue for the board include a merchandise program, travel program including a partnership with GEICO insurance.

"Alumni who buy insurance from GEICO will get lower rates by mentioning they are with Bucknell. We use these royalties to generate programs that help students," Singer said.

The Alumni Association is also open to partnerships with other organizations.

"We recently worked with the Arts Alumni Association and the Black Alumni Association. The Alumni Association just funded one-third of last weekends' Black Arts Festival. We also help out extensively in admission to target candidates and interview them," Singer said.

The association has been steadily improving on its goals of cultivating new programs for a wide range of Bucknellians.

"Along with Trustees, [members of the Alumni Board] are the most connected Bucknellians who volunteer extensively because we have a great affinity for our school. Current students will become alumni, so that's why we try to help current students, too. We try to have different events for everyone," Singer said.

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News

Several faculty members suffer from morale crisis

Senior administrators claim dedicated commitment to students, faculty and preparing the University for the future

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meetings and less energized to serve on University committees," Sweeney said.

Sweeney said that the low morale is also evidenced in much of the administration.

"Another visible sign of low morale has been and continues to be the turnover in the administration in addition to faculty who either have left Bucknell or are exploring other opportunities," Sweeney said.

According to Sweeney, the senior administration has not given appropriate information about the state of University affairs in the faculty meetings.

"Based upon an earlier faculty meeting, I was under the impression that the results of the administrative 'Climate Survey' conducted last year would be made available to the faculty," Sweeney said. "At a subsequent faculty meeting, however, we were informed that the results of that survey would not be available. This only makes one pause and wonder about things."

Stamos framed the problem as a lack of institutional vision among the senior administration and the lack of articulation of that vision in the Vision 2010 strategic plan.

"The administration has given us platitudes, but the vision is essentially bankrupt. What they've articulated in Vision 2010, for example, has done nothing but reaffirm the obvious. What's visionary about this?" Stamos said. "The administration dresses things up to make it look like something's happening, but in the end it's a charade."

Marsh also said that Vision 2010, the University's strategic plan, lacks foresight.

"The main problem with the Vision 2010 strategic plan is that it isn't strategic and it isn't a plan," Marsh said.

Rogers said he disagrees with these criticisms of Vision 2010.

"Every effort has been made to provide multiple and varied opportunities for everyone to participate in the process of building a shared vision for Bucknell for 2010 and beyond," Rogers said. "There have been numerous forums, a retreat with more than 100 faculty members in attendance, calls for input, drafts made available for critique, criticism and revision and, often, those most vocal complained but did not always participate in a constructive manner. Vision 2010 is now being debated in a highly collegial fashion in formal faculty meetings."

Marsh said he is concerned that the senior administrators do not understand the unique character of "liberal arts" at the University.

"The administration comes in and has a vision from somewhere else, and showing no evidence of having thought well about what 'liberal arts' means," Marsh said. "And one of the things that makes me very sad is that we are a great University and that we don't have an effective spokesman, which is a huge impediment."

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> ***—Steffen Rogers,** University president*

Stamos said he also believes that the senior administration's vision of the University does not represent the values of the majority of the faculty.

"President Rogers, in three years here, has not been able to provide leadership or vision for the University, and without leadership you certainly cannot articulate a vision," Stamos said. "I am unaware of any constituency who would support Stef, or any way he has impressed or won the confidence of any of us."

Miller said he disagreed that the responsibility for the morale crisis falls on the shoulders of the University's senior administration, but he does believe that the promise of leadership remains focused there.

"It is easy to scapegoat people, especially the heads of organizations, but that's much too simple of an explanation—this is a complex organization, and we all jointly bear the responsibility," Miller said.

Rogers, despite the criticisms, said that he is confident about the goals and direction of his presidency at the University.

"It is very easy to attack 'leadership' and 'vision' and very difficult to defend one's position against such attacks because they are so amorphous," Rogers said. "This is a tact taken often when one does not agree with the leadership's position and direction. I set a course in my inaugural address in the fall of 2000 and have not deviated from that course. I came to Bucknell to be a student-oriented president. I continue to take that stance and make no apologies for it."

Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Steven Bowen said that the most outspoken critics of the administration are a small group, and are by no means representative of the majority of the faculty.

"What you don't hear in the current debate are the concerns of the other 250 faculty," Bowen said. They are dedicated to their teaching, their scholarship and their students. We've been focusing on the need to address short-term issues and maintaining stability in a transitional period. This has distracted us from the active articulation and advocation of ideals that I believe we should have given more attention."

Bowen said that dissenting groups often form at any university.

"We delight in having a broad range of views at Bucknell," Bowen said. "The rhetoric of 'crisis' is heard with some frequency, but we are likely to have a crisis only if people take rhetoric out of context and overreact. You don't have to look very far beyond the Bucknell bubble to recognize that we are in an enviable position in higher education today."

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> ***—Ben Marsh,** professor of geography and environmental studies*

Professor of Political Science and Latin American Studies John Peeler said that the senior administrators have not established themselves with the faculty, but it is important to understand the difficulties of the time and to not overreact.

"Stef came to Bucknell at a very difficult time, and has done his level best ... his senior administrative appointments have sometimes been unfortunate," Peeler said. "As a leader he has not established himself with the faculty, but neither has he so far committed errors so egregious as to provoke a rebellion."

Rogers and Bowen indicated that many faculty members and administrators perceive no leadership crisis at the University. The individuals they mentioned declined *The Bucknellian*'s requests for interviews.

Rogers said that the senior administrators' approach to faculty requests has been balanced.

"The faculty members at Bucknell are highly valued by this administration," Rogers said. "Their values are our values and we share them proudly. However, this administration has committed to a number of student-oriented projects where we may not agree.... I feel our approach has been quite balanced."

Stamos also criticized Rogers for appointing Bowen to his position as provost and vice president for academic affairs.

"Bowen, given the nature of his position and the school, is a mismatch for that position, and the faculty have little confidence he can serve in it. Meanwhile, because Stef steadfastly supports him, he is losing credibility," Stamos said, pointing out that Bowen lacks the necessary experience for the position.

Rogers said that the position of the provost is a difficult one and that the criticisms of Bowen are unfounded, considering the situation of the University in recent years.

"The provost at any university is torn in many directions and it is not an easy position to learn," Rogers said. "My experience has been that it takes up to three years for one to grow into the position under normal circumstances, and the situation at Bucknell has been anything but normal. I am one who believes in giving people a chance to succeed. I think Steve Bowen deserves that chance along with all of the other new administrators. I know for a fact that Steve has talked to these faculty members, has heard them and has taken the criticisms very seriously and is making every effort to work through the various issues that have been raised."

Rogers said that the turbulent economic times have disrupted some of the administration's plans since he became president.

"In my inaugural address, I spoke of marketing Bucknell in ways that the University had not been marketed previously. Budget restrictions have prevented taking the aggressive approach I had in mind at that time," Rogers said. "However, we are putting in place steps that should not only regain our previous position, but surpass it."

Rogers also said that his research suggests that the University's status is improving despite its financial woes and other problems.

"In my travels nationally and internationally, every signal is that our reputation is growing both in stature and geographically. Being student-oriented, I use student selectivity as one of my principal barometers," Rogers said. "And, even though we have not marketed Bucknell to prospective students as well as some of our competitors have marketed themselves, and the stock market has had its impact, the past three years have been the most selective in the University's history. I think that is a clear indication of how we are viewed externally."

Several faculty members have still expressed concern that a morale crisis exists at the University, and as the enrollment in the professional fields of study increase, that the University is heading away from the traditional liberal arts college and toward a more corporatist and more professional model of operation.

"As our trustees, disproportionately from the business world, have taken a greater role in managing the day-to-day operations at Bucknell, the business mentality has increasingly supplanted the older concept of higher education as a very different entity," Assistant Professor of Economics Geoffrey Schneider said.

Miller said he also believes that the Trustee leadership bears some responsibility for stimulating productive conversations.

"There are no faculty voices among the trustees who understand leadership in the academic world," Miller said.

Professor of Mathematics Carmen Acuna said that the curriculum of the University and the Common Learning Agenda does not reflect the "commodification" trend.

"The curriculum of the College of Arts and Sciences, which is a carefully worked out faculty initiative that addresses the needs of students, is not a 'commodification' of the curriculum," Acuna said. "The latest review in 2000 concluded that the Common Learning Agenda 'has met to a high degree the aims set for it as adopted by the College faculty.'"

Schneider said that the "liberal arts" curriculum has been displaced as the University's foremost agenda, which instead focuses on an industry- or job-specific method of teaching.

"Students have become 'clients' or 'customers' who need to be catered to and trained for a specific career instead of being prepared as the next generation of citizens and leaders who need to develop their intellect and critical thinking," Schneider said.

Schneider also said he believes that the trustee leadership lacks emphasis on academic issues.

"The hubris of some of our trustees, who seem to assume that success in the business world qualifies them to understand how a university should be run and what should be taught, is one of the major barriers Bucknell faces in its attempt to preserve the liberal arts nature of the education here," Schneider said. Unfortunately, our current administration seems to have accepted this model, given that the initiatives coming from the administration. Vision 2010, merit pay and outcomes assessment, among others, all contain elements of the corporate model and mentality that are not part of Bucknell's history and are in many ways antithetical to a liberal arts education."

Miller said he is concerned by this trend and that he sees the University moving away from its former, energetic character.

"I can not speak for the rest of the faculty, but I am very sad, and the reason is because the people who hired me 25 years ago had an exciting vision and approach to the integration between liberal and professional education, which is what makes Bucknell special," Miller said.

Associate Professor of Classics Janet Jones said that the University leadership should curb this trend before it becomes ingrained in University doctrine.

"This is part of a larger trend and we have to question how we got here," Jones said. "Is there any way to get out of the trajectory that we're in, which is a bland and blind leadership in a very precarious time?"

Despite these contrasting visions of the University and the morale at the University, Rogers and the critics agree that the doors of communication must remain open and that the University community must define and embrace a common vision that is in best interest of the institution.

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> ***—Janet Jones,** associate professor of classics*

"We need to work as a family to address the concerns of all members of the family," Rogers said. "But that can be done only if we all adopt the attitude that we will work together for the best result for Bucknell."

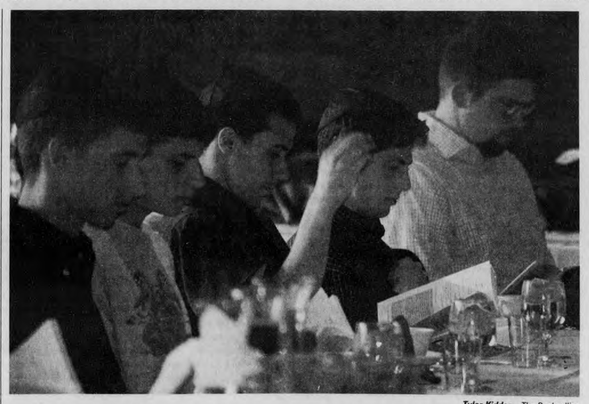
Fire suspends Lewisburg Domino's service

By Meghan Fox
Staff Writer

A fire broke out at Domino's Pizza in Lewisburg around 11:30 a.m. on Saturday morning. The blaze occurred in the main corner of the store, catching fire when a faulty heat-wave bag ignited adjacent bags. The police and fire departments were notified immediately and arrived on the scene. No one was injured, but the shelf holding the bags and the ceiling above it were damaged. Employees were sent home shortly after the incident, and Domino's was shut down.

"We don't know exactly when it will reopen. The cleanup crew is there right now," Assistant Manager Angela Straub said.

Currently, all calls to the Lewisburg branch are being forwarded to the Milton location.



Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian

Students participate in a Passover seder, sponsored by Hillel. The seder consisted of reading from the Haggadah and taking part in other Passover rituals.

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The Bucknellian Editorial

Administration and faculty must work together

Do you remember how a university in the middle of Central Pennsylvania first piqued your interest? The slogan on the pamphlet said "A+B, College=University. The University is the best of both worlds—all the specialization of a University with the breadth of curriculum and personal attention of a small liberal arts school.

These pamphlets did not lie, as so many pamphlets do. One of the greatest strengths of the University is its ability to simultaneously graduate engineers, talented businesspeople, renowned philosophers and best-selling authors. It is comforting to know that corporate executives who graduated from the University have read Homer's "The Iliad" and "The Odyssey." We all know that the University has truly inspired some—our graduates are working for something epic.

So why are some faculty members questioning the current path of the University, claiming that academics are being commodified and the leadership of its senior administrators is lacking?

The educational world is rapidly changing in its focus—the need to "market" education to attract talented and vibrantly diverse students has created a profound pressure that weighs on universities nationwide. It is important for Bucknell to maintain the playing field with our competitive universities, but at the same time maintain its uniqueness.

On the other hand, a constituent of the faculty has publicly expressed its fear that the University is compromising the education of its students in its attempt to "market" itself.

As students, we lack institutional memory. Our knowledge of university life is limited by the few years we have spent here at the University. But, we do know, that without us, there would be no University.

As students we understand the meaning of liberal arts at the University. We understand interdisciplinary study, double majors, ethics and the importance of cultivating well-rounded individuality. Education should not be treated as a commodity for students—it is above and beyond what can and should be "marketed." The very nature of the educational experience is that it gives direction and inspires contemplative thought and reflection among students.

We also understand that we would not be here if no one "sold" the University to us. The quality of student that professors wish to educate would not be attainable if the University failed to market itself.

The administration openly claims that it is student-oriented, while the faculty insists that it is here to educate the student body. Students need an administration that is focused on marketing perspective students, communicating to them what the University has to offer and, most importantly, maintaining this leadership throughout the students' experiences at the University. The moment students attend their first class, it is the responsibility of the faculty to instill the hope, energy and inspiration that was promised.

Clearly there is a morale crisis that needs to be addressed. The opinions of all constituents of the University must be considered and an agreement must be reached to provide students with the education experience they were promised and deserve.

Letters *to the editor*

Faculty's negative, liberal bias

To the Editor:

I recently read the comments, printed in the April 4 edition, from the University community regarding the war in Iraq. I also perused first-year student Tim Hinkle's hilariously off-base opinion piece regarding the same. I found it superficially entertaining yet substantively disturbing that virtually every comment from a member of the University's educational establishment reflected a negative, clearly liberal bias, and the majority of the comments printed from the student population contained a negative tone as well.

I advise friends, colleagues and their offspring away from applying to the University, and I laugh heartily and toss all letters of financial solicitation into the trash can.

This tilt, while surely representative of our "esteemed" professorial staff, represents neither the sentiment of the country as a whole nor the sentiment of 48 percent or more of the University's student population.

Once again I find myself extremely offended at the pontificating and intellectually void rambling of the majority of the "educators" at the University when it comes to all things political.

The result of this extreme bias and lack of representation of opposing viewpoints leads to two specific results: I advise friends, colleagues and their offspring away from applying to the University, and I laugh heartily and toss all letters of financial solicitation into the trash can—a sentiment shared by every University graduate I know who managed to survive the brainwashing attempts and liberal drivel with their capacity for free and independent thought intact.

Sincerely,

Sara (Winter) Riley '89

Our glittering Class of 2003

To the Editor:

Finding students here who study harder than they have to is like panning for gold—some are held up in front of the jealous eyes of others, glittering for all to see. Looking at this river flowing from the Pierian spring, with its fabulous facilities and bubbly babble, it is hard to remember that not all that glitters is gold—especially when one has paid such a price!

But if there is one lesson most have learned at the University, it is that you needn't be genuine. The world of commerce awaits, a world of incredible pleasures to be had by anyone who can fool another into believing that this dazzling thing in your hand is not fool's gold—how else could it glitter so?

To gleam brightly so as to catch the eye of another—that is the lesson of the world of commerce, that is the lesson those in charge of this river actually believe (if they believed in the value of a real education, they would put their money where their mouths are). It is the lesson of the "real world" of business, of the world after your education, wherein you learn how the world really is and what its real values show: that the value of learning has worth only insofar as it teaches you to fool yourself into believing that you are worthless without the company. And the company, this conglomerate of pyrite, this corporation of fool's gold gleams so brightly!

Far brighter than if you were alone—and certainly far brighter than those of genuine gold, those who do not exist to dazzle but hold their inner essence and worth hidden within themselves. After all, there should be no secrets, and nothing should be hidden, everything must be obvious and glitter immediately before the eyes. Those passed-over ones, those others forgotten in the river, they console themselves: "We are passed over but we have a worth in and of ourselves ... for we strive to know and will not consider anything to be knowledge if it is not of a genuine nature—for it is in the genuine and in the truth that you find true value, not only in the nature of other things but also within ourselves...." We know better—we have *learned* better—we glittering ones!

Sincerely,

Joe Trullinger '03

CHOICE housing option abused by upperclassmen

By Michelle Dombeck
Managing Editor

CHOICE (Choosing Healthy Options In Community Environments) housing—we all know, love and respect it, right? Wrong. For first-year students, CHOICE housing is great. For most upperclassmen, it's a joke.

Admittedly, CHOICE housing helps new students to meet others with similar interests and provides them with a place to live that is suited to their lifestyle. Although CHOICE is substance-free housing, we know that it's really advertised as alcohol-free housing. And as a university that was once rated No. 1 in the United States for hard liquor, it would be hard for the University to deny that it does has a strong alcohol scene.

With CHOICE, the University can claim that it provides a way for some students to find their own, alcohol-free paths. These first-year students can go to CHOICE dances, hikes, dinners and various other wonderful substance-free events.

But consider the upperclassmen who sign up for CHOICE. Although some upperclassmen may actually enjoy and appreciate the substance-free housing and activities CHOICE provides, I know that many CHOICE students are not attracted to the program because of its alcohol-free housing. Currently, Kress Hall houses four full floors of upperclassmen who seem to have chosen the alcohol-free lifestyle. Because so many students are clamoring to get into this kind of housing, CHOICE is even overflowing onto a floor of Trax Hall next year. It doesn't take a genius to realize that Kress and Trax are prime dorms. Not only are they in a great location, they have air conditioning and fairly nice-sized rooms.

Why do CHOICE students get such good housing? Is Housing and Residential Life trying to reward these students for signing up for substance-free housing? Or is it trying to entice and attract more students to this special-interest housing with the promise of prime housing?

If students are truly devoted to the CHOICE lifestyle, it shouldn't matter where they live. I'd speculate that if upper-class CHOICE housing were moved to a less attractive location, the number of students who sign up for would fall significantly.

Even besides the advantage of great dorms, CHOICE students are not actually prevented from drinking. Just as long as they don't get caught on their halls with liquor or in an intoxicated state, they're free to slink quietly back into their rooms and sleep off their stupor. The message seems to be "drink and be merry ... just not on the hall."

Hang on a second—back the sounds-too-good-to-be-true train up here. Students get prime housing (which is presumably either a reward or enticement) and can still drink? Technically, underage students aren't supposed to drink anywhere, which makes CHOICE housing essentially the same as regular housing for most students.

Perhaps CHOICE housing is just a great public relations scheme for the University. Admissions can tell prospective students (and their parents) about all of the other students who utilize this valuable resource and choose to live in substance-free housing, without alcohol. And in order to keep the number of students who are CHOICE high, Housing continually offers good rooming options and refuses to turn applicants away. Even those who have points are accepted, because people can change, right?

The University and Housing and Residential Life need to reevaluate the choice some students are making. For most, choosing CHOICE isn't a matter of wanting to live without alcohol, but a way to avoid the stress of room selection and make sure they have a good place to life.

Does CHOICE actually stand for students who choose "healthy options"? For me, it's just a SHAM—Student Housing's A Mess.

Could the U.S. also fight terror by ending hunger?

By Meghan Ball
Features Editor

The war is over, we have conquered evil Iraq. Now we are the liberators, standing proud and tall as we begin to force freedom upon the Iraqi people, who of course have no idea what freedom really is. We are here to give it to them, to show them the way as we guide them down the path of capitalism. And yet, we are not safe, terrorism still seems to lurk around us, like a fog waiting to descend upon our nation.

Suddenly Syria is a threat, and we are warning the rest of the Middle East to watch its step. Is this what American liberation is, our version of democracy, our economic system and no other? If we really wanted to give the Iraqi people freedom, we would give them the freedom to reject our systems and culture, instead of opening fire on their protests. But these nations are unstable, they have evil dictators, we must destroy them and then rebuild them in our image or else they will continue to feed the terrorists. Or is it really them at all, who are at the root of the terrorism? Or are Americans to afraid to ask themselves that question?

One-fourth of the world lives on less then $1 a day. The majority of humanity does not wake up and wonder weather or not they filled their Brita, but how they are going to get drinkable water. They do not wrestle with a decision what they feel like eating, but what they possibly can eat. We do not fear the advanced nations, the prosperous nations, it is the countries filled with poor that are the threat. There is clearly a correlation here, and it would take so little for us to make huge changes in these countries.

Imagine how much money you spend each day, just on food and now imagine you had only $1 and right next door is a family with significantly more food then it is capable of eating. For some reason, this family is afraid of you. It has enough bombs and guns to blow up the tiny shack you live in at least 20 times over and yet every time you even go near their house, they buy more guns. Why doesn't the family offer to help build you a well so that you are not staring thirstily at their hoses instead of buying more technology meant to keep you away?

America claims that the nations in the Middle East do not know how to use weapons responsibly, and yet we have dropped bombs on more countries then any other nation since World War II. We have been telling developing countries that we have no money to spend on helping them get potable water to their people, and yet we had $100 billion to spend on a war. During the 1990s America had an unprecedented economic boom, and yet at the same time 40 percent of people living in developing countries were in absolute poverty, the worst it has ever been. We may not all be of the same nationality or race, but we are all of the same species. The money may be concentrated in a few hands, but at the very least we should be able to provide all members of our species with potable water. It seems almost absurd when you think of how there are people who consider themselves lucky to have a well within two hours of their homes.

At first I simply assumed that Americans were too superficial to discover the roots of terrorism. We live in a nation that will pay almost anything for it to look clean and sterile, rather then carry our trash to the next garbage can. Why would we bother trying to find out why these people hate us so much when we could simply destroy them and ignore the bigger problems?

But now I think Americans are afraid to look that deep. To look at the roots of terrorism is to look at the abject poverty, in which the majority of people live. No wonder they all hate us. Americans live in a fantasy where we think we have given so much to the global community, and yet in comparison to the rest of the advanced world our contributions are minimal. The only solution we offer is war, and that is what we spend our money on. Maybe instead of adding to our defense spending we should spend that money on helping some of these nations. America spends more on the military and defense then any other nation in the world, and yet we feel as though we need to spend more. Everyone hates us; they are all out to get us—quick, we need more guns to protect ourselves. For every penny we spend on the War on Terrorism, let's spend the same amount on a War on Poverty, a War on Hunger. Even if we only spent half as much, or one-fourth, the impact we would make would be enormous. Why not go to the root of the problem, and reverse the hatred.

Opinions

Earth Day is no reason to celebrate

By Phil Martoma
Senior Writer

This Earth Day has given me time to reflect on some of the finer points of our country, but I particularly notice my immediate surroundings, here at the University. It was clear to me that our nation might be heading in the wrong direction with regard to the environment after U.S. President George W. Bush rejected the Kyoto Treaty. Much time has passed and now the American people have long since forgotten that issue. In place of any coverage about the status of our environment in the media has been the overwhelming babble about the war in Iraq. This Earth Day also carried with it little of the fanfare about serious environmental issues our society is facing and, especially on the campus, seems to have been met with apathy.

I write this article not to point out one of the variety of environmental issues still plaguing us, but instead to point out why we should still be concerned. In this era where smart bombs can make us feel that war has no costs, and fear that terrorists will inevitably crash our planes into our own cities, we forget that there is an environment to care for. When we all learned the fundamental truth—no matter how free trade can get on the Internet, our stock market will still crash and many people will get left behind—few consider the costs their actions will have on the future of our planet.

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You do occasionally see the few in the library who take those extra steps to the recycling bin just so as to avoid throwing good paper into the trash, but the environment usually brings little to no concern to people these days. Nor does the fact that even that little sentiment of responsibility towards the environment is nullified as the recycling bins are always emptied into the garbage bins rather than being recycled.

This one issue has and probably will for many decades constantly be overlooked by our people until when we turn our heads to look away from our economic recessions and building in flames we will see one more sad sight that is equally detrimental to the economy and a threat to our nation. That sight will be a world where one mistake while drilling from the Alaskan wildlife preserve left an oil spill that would make the Exxon Valdez look like a tiny snafu. That may also be a picture of the Brazilian landscape that is devoid of life and simply not arable.

This does not have to be the case, but there is nothing to suggest that serious environmental policy will come from either Republicans or Democrats. There are a variety of reasons for this, but among them is that the current focus on the power struggle between Democrats and Republicans has left an easily preventable problem unchecked. It seems to me that the only action I can constantly do is to try and help create this change, and that I would encourage in others is to try and motivate others and ourselves with the image of what the world could be like.

Though I consider myself an environmentalist, I do not particularly enjoy recounting all of the awful ways we are destroying countless species as well as sewing the seeds of our own destruction. Instead, I think it wiser to try and point out that if students demanded a better environmental policy from our University, then we just might see a time when our University no longer significantly contributes in avoidable ways to the solid wastes filling our dumps.

We might even go further to try and buy less rather than more, leading simpler lives that don't require the addition of the next best product from a Management 101 Company. It will only heighten our resolve towards the environment to first incorporate environmental principles into our lives, and ask no less from society itself.

Can science prove the existence of God?

By Kyle Lange
Staff Writer

It seems that creation versus evolution debates always end up with the equivalent of two bighorn sheep butting heads. The evolutionists accuse the creationists of being terrible scientists and the creationists accuse the evolutionists of ignoring evidence and trying to disprove God's existence. Each side claims that they have disproved the other side and the debate continues.

As a Christian physics major, I find myself caught in the middle. There is genuine evidence for evolution and the Big Bang, and scientifically speaking, the theories are sound. On the other hand, my own personal experiences lead me to believe in the existence of a God who created me in His image, cares about me and is personally involved in my life. This has led me to ponder the question, "What would it take for science to prove the existence of God?"

In order for something to be proven as a scientific principle, it must hold under rigorous tests in a variety of different circumstances. The principle should be able to predict what will happen in any given situation. For example, Newton's law of gravitation is universally accepted because it has held under a series of tests and is able to explain so many things (why objects fall to the earth, why the earth goes around the sun, why comets travel the way that they do, etc.). The power of Newton's law of gravitation is shown in that it can predict how any object will move in response to the objects around it.

Thus, to experimentally prove or disprove God's existence, a scientist would have to devise tests that would either demonstrate God's existence or absence. In so doing, the scientist would have to predict how God would respond in certain situations. The impossibility of inventing such tests and predictions is clear. Could we as finite mortals ever accurately predict the actions of an omniscient, omnipotent, omnipresent deity?

A quick look at the nature of God as presented in the Bible confirms the folly of this approach. God promises blessing to Abraham's descendants and then proceeds to allow them to be enslaved by the Egyptians for the good part of 400 years. That's not exactly what I would call blessing, even if they did finally make it to the Promised Land.

The Psalms are rife with complaints from David about God being unjust, the wicked prospering, etc. It's not surprising that David felt that way, considering that after being anointed as king of Israel, he spent fifteen years as a fugitive running from the madman who was still on the throne. True, he did eventually become king, but his path to royalty is not one that I would want to take.

Job probably had it the worst. Satan came to God and told Him that the only reason Job trusted God was because Job had the good life. God in turn released Satan to take away all of Job's worldly possessions, kill all of his children, and afflict him with boils. Job questioned God persistently until God showed up and essentially said, "I am God, you are not. How could you ever expect to understand why I do the things that I do?"

In the end, Job's health, family, and possessions are restored, but you are left wondering if all of the suffering was necessary for a man described as "righteous" by God.

And in the New Testament, does Jesus go to great lengths to prove his deity to the world? When the religious leaders asked Him to perform a miracle to prove His deity, He wouldn't do it. Jesus had a perfect opportunity to do this after rising from the dead. He could have just gone out and started teaching in the temple like He had been doing before. Instead, He chose to reveal himself only to a select few before He ascended into heaven.

It seems like the God of the Bible would not hold up under the scrutiny of the scientific method. In terms of human justice and reason, He usually does what doesn't make sense. In short, the scientific method can only prove the existence of a god that acts predictably, which is a contradiction in itself.

Getting back to my original point, the key difference between creationists and scientists is that they assume very different things before they make their arguments. Creationists are open to the idea of an unpredictable god, while scientists assume that truth can only be determined through a series of testable, repeatable and predictable experiments. It's not surprising that they never seem to find common ground.

Mass media destroys human experience

By Tim Hinkle
Staff Writer

I see a trend enveloping our human society, one not easily identifiable. No, it's not that J.Crew released its fall catalog early, but something much more insidious. This trend isn't even that of international terrorism. Instead, we are forgetting what it means to simply be human beings. Forces external and internal are forcing an evolution of our minds and bodies of which most of us do not understand the short- and long-term consequences. My advice is to listen to musical magician Keller Williams and simply "stay human."

We are forgetting what it means to be truly human. To have a connection to the earth and to each other. Our lives are becoming increasingly virtual, which makes it easier and easier for forces in the media and government to insidiously manipulate our opinions and motivations. Think about it: How much time do you spend at the computer or television versus outside? With the separation of most people from their sources of food and other consumables, we have lost any sense of the environmental implications of our excessive lifestyles. The world population is growing at an amazing rate and is expected to reach 9 billion by 2050. If we think we can continue our current course of reckless consumption, we are flat out wrong. Earth, our only home, is in danger, and we may be one of the last generations able to save it from ourselves. We need to recognize the interconnectedness of all life—that the earth is a closed system whose resources will not last forever. The solution to this is to reclaim our sense of nature, of wildness. We need to learn to live with, and not against, the land.

The media, which in a democratic society, usually acts as a watch guard for an excessive government, has become increasingly "embedded" and indistinguishable. Wouldn't it be awful to live in a country where entire television channels are devoted to government propaganda and misinformation, like Iraq suffered under its president, Saddam Hussein? It would, which is why it surprises me that Fox News is the most popular cable news station in America right now. Trends like this lead to widely-held yet false viewpoints, for instance how over half of Americans think that Hussein was somehow behind 9/11, which is simply untrue. Their confidence in our entrancement with the media spectacle is so complete that a recent commercial for Fox's new reality television show, "Mr. Personality," contained the words, "Don't ask. Just watch." If you're not appalled, then you aren't paying attention.

We are being programmed by the Bush administration and news stations like CNN and Fox News to be afraid. Notice the constant shifting between yellow and orange terrorism alert levels? The government keeps assuring us that terrorists are ready to strike at any moment. Not only that, but Iraqis want to kill us too! Now that no weapons at all have been found, nothing hinting at the vast weapons program which would soon be turned on the international community (that means YOU!), it would seem clear that it's all about keeping us afraid. So why have we been so safe from these cowardly terrorist attacks? If the Bush administration has actually been able to head off all these attacks, then it speaks highly of its effectiveness in doing so. But, at least to those of us who are paying attention and asking questions, it is becoming increasingly clear that these threats of attack are nothing more than a well-organized plan to keep us afraid.

If we are afraid, we won't question how invading a country that has nothing to do with our current problems with terrorism will make us safer. If we are afraid, we won't question our overconsumption and think about the long-term sustainability of the planet, or our role in its destruction. If we are afraid, we won't question our Congress relinquishing its democratic rights to keep the president in check. In short, if we are afraid, we won't question anything, and if we know anything about the Bush administration, it is that it hates answering questions. So I say, start questioning the authorities, and stop being afraid! Reclaim your real life, turn off your television! Most of all: Stay human.

Lessons learned in my four years

By Tom Elliott
Senior Writer

I've undoubtedly accumulated a fair amount of knowledge since I've been enrolled as an undergrad here, so it seemed appropriate to share the most interesting and important tidbits for my final *Bucknellian* column. Without further ado, I present the things I have learned:

- Safe Rides is not a non-gender discriminating service.
- With the dawn of each new fall semester comes at least three new rules and regulations as well as the hiring of one new dean.
- The Concert Committee is actually a club for people to meet and hang out who all possess a similar bond: a terrible taste in music.
- Four successful Stop the Hate rallies have ironically failed to stop the hate.
- Dean of Students Richard Ferraro's exceptional understanding of alcohol and its related issues has enabled him to understand that underage drinking and driving is equally heinous a crime as of-age beer pong.
- It is not a contradiction of terms to consider a person's commitment to free speech as "unswerving" while simultaneously maintaining that any language that's considered "insensitive" to minorities is prohibited.
- This semester, whenever I miss a class for a "personal reason," I feel the need to apologize to my father for the $420 or so I just wasted. Sorry, Dad.
- It is far easier to have your application accepted for enrollment as an undergrad than it is for any number of campus employers to accept your application for employment.
- The mandated 30 hours of "community service" I have to perform at the end of the semester (which subsequently means missing most of Senior Week) is, from all experiences heard, far more aptly defined under the University's hazing policy than the drinking events that got me the punishment. Also, I will be charged $600 if I show up to these three days of manual labor in shorts—only $300 if I don't go at all. (There was no mention of whether or not I would receive a $900 fine if I both stayed at home and wore shorts those days.)
- The faculty's interests seem to consistently clash with not only the students, but also the administration and the Board of Trustees.
- Perhaps the most renowned degree outside of our engineering department, business management, has been "capped" because it is too popular.
- The Temperance House makes the best bang-for-your-buck Long Island Ice Teas around. The Highlands Pub has the best beer selection. And you have to pay to listen to music at "the bar."
- In the realm of our University, 500 of our female students (about one-eighth of our student body) have or will be raped.
- Seventy-four percent of the graduating class will leave campus with a sexually transmitted disease (seriously, they announce this during Orientation).
- If you are turning 18 and thinking about breaking the law by not registering for Selective Services, Professor of Geography Ben Wisner has materials outside his office that will assist you. Also, he has interesting figures on his door about the hundreds of thousands of innocent Iraqis that are going to die in the current war in Iraq.
- The total thus far of letters to the editor writing in favor of articles I've written: .5. The number of letters stating positions against something I've written: 18. Also, the person who was kind enough to put the flyer on my door notifying me that it was "Tom Elliott Appreciation Day" was not being truthful.
- A small area of grass was recently discovered between Phi Psi and Lamda Chi Alpha fraternities. The Building Commission was immediately notified and, in the near future, will be replacing the grass with a building.

While this list may seem to be fairly negative, it does not accurately reflect the time I've had here. While unending stupidity will always emanate from the administration, the student body seems willing and able to keep their heads straight, stay focused and, above all else, have fun.

For those graduating this May as well as the ones returning in the fall, I wish you all equally good luck and an interesting future.

The other side of our foreign policy

Some underreported facts seem contradictory to rhetoric

By Suzanne Van Hulle
Writer

Over the past month, I have been deceived in many ways by the U.S. government. I would like to emphasize that this article is in relation to the U.S. government and not to the U.S. "people" per se. I would also like to express that the reason for writing this article is so that we can all be aware of certain facts and actions that are not usually discussed.

I believe that something had to be done with the situation in Iraq, but I disagree with the actions that have been taken. In my opinion, the U.S. government has been hypocritical in several ways:

1. On the first day the bombings began, U.S. President George W. Bush declared that there was a direct relationship between the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon and Iraq. Linking Iraq with terrorism makes many U.S. citizens feel better about the validity of going to war with Iraq. This is a false statement, which I find unacceptable for the U.S. president, or any other president for that matter. It has not been proven that there has been any link between Iraq and terrorism. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein hardly trusts his people, so it is highly unlikely that he would trust terrorist groups with his weapons of mass destruction (WMD). Even though is it possible that such weapons exist in Iraq, without proof Bush should not have made such a statement.

2. Operation Iraqi Freedom ... freedom? Internationally, those states opposing the war on Iraq have envisioned the U.S.- and Great Britain-led attack on Iraq as an invasion. Is chaos a sign of liberation? Will Iraqis respect the new government set in place by the U.S. government? Will the United Nations help out with the reconstruction? If the United States does not receive international help, the situation might even be worse than what it was under Hussein. Hopefully, the U.S. government will not abandon the Iraqis as soon as interests fade, as it did in Afghanistan. Many Iraqis are happy to see Hussein's regime take an end, but does that really mean that they are happy to have U.S. troops taking over their territory?

3. Bush claims that one of the reasons the U.S. government needed to attack Iraq was that Hussein has violated at least 17 U.N. resolutions. Does the U.S. government really respect the United Nations and abide by its laws? It is true that the United States is one of the most powerful forces within the United Nations, and has contributed enormously to its cause. But at the beginning of the war, the U.S. government disregarded the job of U.N. inspectors by invading Iraq without awaiting the completion of their job. In my opinion, not only is this disrespectful, but also hypocritical. If the U.S. government does not respect the United Nations, then it should not accuse Iraq of not abiding by U.N. resolutions.

4. Respect for sovereignty has always been one of the primary goals for the U.S. government. There is no doubt that Hussein is a brutal man, but isn't he the leader of a sovereign state? By invading Iraq or, as others might see it, by waging war on Iraq, the U.S. government is violating one of its most important values. By the same token, the U.S. government is also seen by many as an invader and an imperialist state. What if another leader decided to overthrow Bush?

5. I sometimes wonder if all those people who are for the war realize what is really at stake, especially in a country whose WMD capabilities are unknown. Many of those U.S. soldiers who fought in the first Gulf War are still suffering from diseases created by disarming Iraq 12 years ago.

I also feel that the humanitarian aspect of the war is overlooked. Even though Bush has been careful to emphasize the importance of humanitarian aid, this aspect has been ignored by the mainstream U.S. media, particularly during the major bombings, as very few pictures of Iraqi civilians have been shown. If the U.S. media describes the Iraqi military as villains, then they should also show the other side of the fighting and the damages the U.S. military has caused to civilians, not only to the Iraqi army.

Isn't it ironic that the U.S. government wants to give Iraqis aid when sanctions have been depriving them for over a decade?

In conclusion, I want to stress that this article is designed to express a counterpoint. I feel that the general public should pay more attention to facts that are not normally mentioned, whether they are reported by the U.S. government or by various media sources. Hopefully, this article will not misinterpreted, but will show that there are always two sides to a story and this is also true with states' foreign policies.

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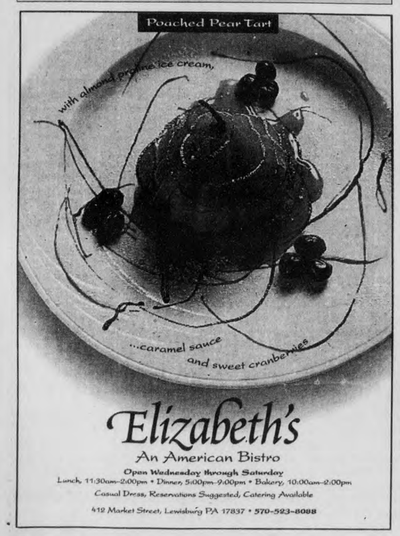
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Floor traders of the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) are responsible daily for billions of dollars. The NYSE announced it's beginning an investigation to examine the role of specialists in the trading process and ensure that specialists were putting customer interests first and not working for personal gain.

Stock exchange looking inward

NYSE launches investigation to examine improprieties within trading system

By Jim Leahy
Senior Writer

The New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) is one of the most closely watched stock exchanges in the world, with billions of dollars changing hands each day on the Wall Street trading floor. The fairness of the NYSE's trading system came into question late last week when the NYSE announced that its own regulators were looking into improprieties at some of the firms that provide specialists to the exchange.

The hallmark of the NYSE's system is the specialist, whose job it is to match buyers and sellers in a trade. Although many say a computer could do a better job at matching the two, the NYSE disagrees.

According to *The Wall Street Journal*, "Backers of the specialist system say specialists can do what a computer can't—establish a price (sometimes by using their own capital to buy or sell shares) that ensures as many buyers and sellers are satisfied as possible."

A major problem with the system is the reason for the investigation—a practice called "front-running." *The Wall Street Journal* described this practice as giving certain customers inferior stock trade execution, forcing customers to lose a little money for the specialist's gains.

In *The New York Times*, NYSE chairman Dick Grasso said the exchange was looking into "trading patterns," but declined to say whether any specialists were suspected of front-running customer orders.

"Anyone who approaches putting the customer second is going to be off this floor and out of this industry," Grasso said on CNBC.

According to *The Wall Street Journal*, specialist firms included in the inquiry are Fleet Specialist; LaBranche and Company; Spear, Leads and Kellogg; Bear Wagner Specialists and Van Der Moolen Specialists.

"Earlier last week, FleetBoston Financial Corp.'s Fleet Specialist unit suspended its trader who oversees the buying and selling of General Electric shares," *The Wall Street Journal* reported. "The suspension stemmed from an internal inquiry prompted by the NYSE's broader investigation. A Fleet spokesman said the suspension, which occurred Monday, was 'an internal matter.'"

This latest problem further exposes the NYSE and calls into question its desires. It also highlights the problems the NYSE is having with its directors.

Announcing the presence of an investigation, the NYSE said, "Protecting investors is of paramount importance to the New York Stock Exchange. Throughout our history, the NYSE has watched the marketplace and monitored its member firms and individuals to ensure that all investors, small and large, can be assured a fair and level playing field."

The stock market is supposed to be impartial and actions like those alleged take away from the fairness of the market.

There has been much talk about changes that need to be made by the NYSE. Its practices and directors, generally heads of firms whose stocks the NYSE lists or who do business with it, are coming under fire.

The New York Times reported that Sanford Weill, chairman and CEO of Citigroup, withdrew his name last month from consideration to be a director after New York Attorney General Eliot Spitzer objected. Todd Christie, the former CEO of Goldman Sachs' specialist group, also removed his nomination after resigning.

Invemed Associates, a New York investment banking firm, was accused by the National Association of Securities Dealers (NASD) of "illegally sharing profits gained from newly issued securities with customers," according to *The New York Times*. According to the NASD, the firm did this by inflating trading commissions. The company has announced that it will fight the charges.

All of this comes on the tail end of a scandalous few years on Wall Street, with many companies listed by the NYSE going bankrupt or seeing key people arrested in fraud cases. The NYSE will be forced to change its practices and the NASD will only become more aggressive in pursuing its own goals of protecting investors' money. Front-running will be investigated and companies will have to change the way their specialists are watched during the trading day.

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Front and center: politics in review

By Jim Leahy
Senior Writer

❖ Commentary

Politics may seem these days like a ubiquitous subject, injecting itself into every crevice of daily awareness thanks to round-the-clock coverage on the Internet and on CNN, MSNBC and Fox News Channel—especially when the news out of Iraq is not compelling or when the war ends too soon to make for any real good storylines. We see politics in the statements and actions of athletes and entertainers, we see it in the statements of our elected officials and we see it in campaigns.

The Patriot League is not known for sending athletes on to compete at higher levels of their sport. Most do not take the path Adonal Foyle took to the NBA. As the only Patriot League player to move to the NBA, Foyle has a unique perspective on the world.

Foyle, a graduate of Colgate University, was interviewed by ESPN recently. The reporter said of him, "His game may not be all-NBA material, but in other ways Adonal Foyle is the best in the league. Folks don't notice him; they don't ever think about him. But they should. Wanna know why? Because he's one of the most outspoken, intelligent and interesting athletes in the game. In any game."

Why am I talking about Foyle? In this time of war where we have athletes and celebrities criticizing Washington, Foyle is a breath of fresh air. He may not support the war 100 percent, but he has a reasoned point. And Iraq isn't even his real focus of attention. Instead, Democracy Matters is his passion. Foyle founded the group in 2001 to work on college campuses to push for campaign finance reform and other social reforms.

Athletes like Foyle should use their publicity and status as role models to further a cause that is close to their hearts. Like Foyle, they should use a passionate belief about an issue to raise awareness. He believes passionately about campaign finance reform and is working to advocate this cause at the grassroots level.

Since we are talking about sports, I think I should mention Pat Tillman. The former Arizona Cardinals strong safety left his contract to join the Army Rangers and is now in Iraq serving his nation.

> *Primary days become circuses and elections like the one in 2000 make people wonder why we do politics the way we do.*

With soldiers like Tillman still in Iraq, U.S. President George W. Bush is moving much of his public focus away from the conflict. The war is largely over and it is now time to focus on a huge domestic issue that is extremely important to Bush, the economy. Some worry that he is heading down the same path his father used after the Persian Gulf War. Former U.S. President Bill Clinton defeated former President George Bush largely because of economic concerns.

Early this week, President Bush announced that he would back Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan for another term at the helm of the nation's financial system. Greenspan has served in this capacity for 16 years and many feel that Bush's announcement may be a smart move. *The Wall Street Journal* reported that the move was a "a shrewd political move that could help quiet complaints about the White House's handling of the economy."

Greenspan has not been completely kind to the Bush administration and some of his criticisms have been on the money. He has repeatedly downplayed the role a large tax cut would have on resurrecting the faltering economy.

Politics is hitting close to home this week with Sen. Rick Santorum, R-Pa., coming out and criticizing the possible outcomes of an upcoming ruling by the Supreme Court. In an interview with the Associated Press, Santorum said, "If the Supreme Court says that you have the right to consensual (gay) sex within your home, then you have the right to bigamy, you have the right to polygamy, you have the right to incest, you have the right to adultery. You have the right to anything."

Whatever your stance on this issue, you have to hold Santorum accountable for his words. Although he denies he had any malicious intent in his words and maintains the AP misrepresented his comments, Santorum is now ripe for shots from the Democrats. They will most likely show Santorum the same type of love they showed former Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, who made comments about segregation at Strom Thurmond's birthday party. What happens to Santorum is likely to affect his further political desires.

Finally, we have the issues surrounding campaign politics. The posturing begins too early and the public is inundated by mixed messages and ambiguous negative advertising that misses the real message. Primary days become circuses and elections like the one in 2000 make people wonder why we do politics the way we do.

There are several things going on right now in political circles that deserve commentary, not the least of which is the announcement on the front page of *The New York Times*.

Bush is planning to start his re-election campaign this year, on Sept. 2, at the Republican National Convention. The convention, scheduled to take place at Madison Square Garden in New York City, will be the latest date for the party's convention.

According to *The New York Times*, the date was chosen "so the event would flow into the commemorations of the third anniversary of the World Trade Center and Pentagon attacks. The back-to-back events would complete the framework for a general election campaign that is being built around national security and Mr. Bush's role in combating terrorism."

I think the president may be taking a very big risk in tying his re-election to Sept. 11. The event, which so horrified the nation, did serve to unite the public behind Bush. A national tragedy may not be the best event to play against when launching a political campaign. Nobody doubts Bush's leadership following the event and this theme may help him in his bid for a second term in office, but the American public may see this as a dirty political move and may react negatively to Bush.

Politics is front and center in today's 24-hour news environment, primarily because it deeply affects everything we do. The American public owes itself some level of awareness that can bring a more reasoned approach to the democracy we have. The stories and political maneuvering we see are distilled by the media and it is our job to make sense of it all.

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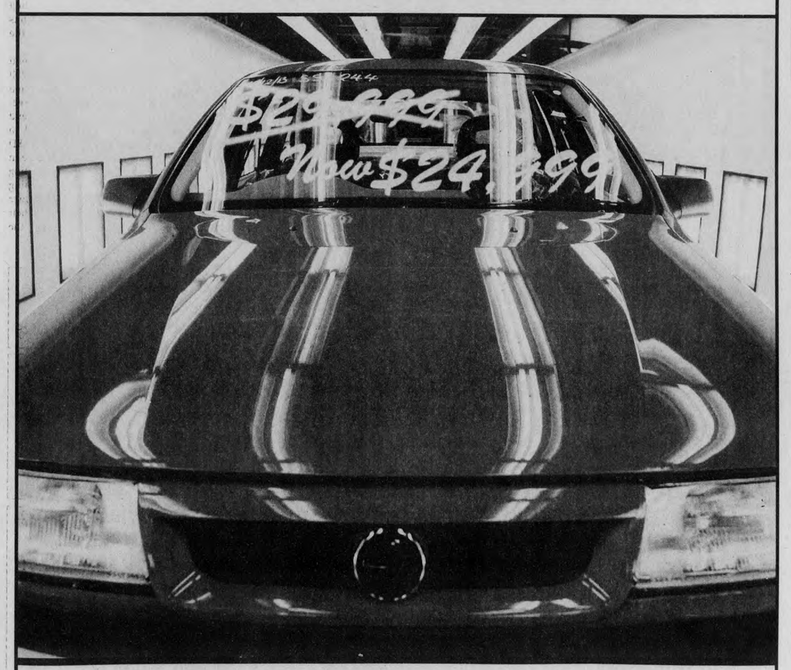

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Protesters in South Korea burn a North Korean flag and a mock nuclear weapon. Multilateral talks conducted in Beijing, China, will be aimed at alleviating tensions that have been mounting along Asia's Pacific Coast since last October when North Korea took steps to reactivate its nuclear program.

Fighting fires in the Pacific

By Devin Gangi
Writer

In a crisis that has run concurrent to the war in Iraq, the United States, North Korea and China held three days of talks starting April 23 in Beijing concerning North Korea's nuclear weapons program. Since the reactivation of its nuclear program several months ago, North Korea has caused tension throughout the international community.

These were the first talks scheduled between the United States and North Korea since last October, when the United States accused North Korea of restarting its nuclear weapons program, which it agreed to scrap in 1994. The United States already believes that North Korea possesses one or two nuclear bombs, in addition to its aspirations for more. North Korea countered that the United States was planning to invade under the same grounds it used for Iraq.

The American accusation was not without merit. North Korea initially claimed that it needed to reactivate the plant to help alleviate demand for energy in the economically struggling state. North Korea has since removed U.N. monitoring equipment from its old nuclear plant in Pyongyang, the country's capital. North Korea also expelled U.N. weapon inspectors, restarted several other facilities and threatened war unless the United States held one-on-one talks.

According to *The Financial Times*, North Korea admitted to reprocessing nearly 8,000 spent nuclear fuel rods, a procedure that would allow the country to produce enough plutonium for about six nuclear bombs within months. Pyongyang also withdrew from the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty, which discourages the spread and creation of nuclear weapons.

The North Korean government released a further statement, which said that the U.S.-led war with Iraq had proved that "in order to prevent a war and defend the security of a country and the sovereignty of a nation it is necessary to have a powerful physical deterrent force."

Washington loathes seeing the communist countries gain such weapons, as does South Korea and much of the Asian peninsula.

According to CBS News, U.S. State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said that Pyongyang's weapons programs "are a matter of concern to the entire international community." He also said that the eventual inclusion of Japan and South Korea in the talks would be essential, given their proximity to North Korea. The multilateral approach that the United States is determined to take regarding this issue contrasts with how it handled the Iraq crisis.

There have been rumors circulating that the United States may attempt military action in North Korea after war in Iraq or use other means to deter North Korea from its nuclear ambitions. According to CBS News, U.S. Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld released a document proposing that the United States team with China to depose the communist leader of North Korea, Kim Jong Il. Rumsfeld has also made several suggestive remarks at news conferences that military action should be taken against North Korea.

U.S. President George W. Bush remains hopeful that a diplomatic solution can be reached. According to CNN, Bush said, "There is a good chance" that diplomatic methods will succeed in solving the crisis.

"China's policy is for a nuclear-weapons-free peninsula, and now that they are engaged in the process, it makes it more likely it's going to occur," Bush said. "Japan strongly believes that. And I believe that all four of us working together have a good chance of convincing North Korea to abandon her ambitions to develop nuclear arsenals."

Bush said that North Korea is already wilting under American and international pressure, considering that it has accepted multilateral talks as a concession on their part, given their previous demands for talks only with the United States.

The United States must solve this issue quickly and diplomatically so that it can show the world it is able to cooperate with other countries, given the international concern raised by the handling of the Iraq situation.

Bush seeks global cooperation to reconstruct Iraq

By Michael Dudzinski
Staff Writer

With the war in Iraq at a relative end and the regime of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein a memory, U.S. President George W. Bush called upon the United Nations to lift sanctions on Iraq. Since the Persian Gulf War, the U.N. Security Council repeatedly imposed economic sanctions that inadvertently targeted the Iraqi people.

> *"The Iraqi people are reclaiming their own streets, their own country and their own future."*
> ***—George W. Bush,** president of the United States*

According to CNN, Hussein actually reaped profits from oil-for-food contracts and other U.N. resolutions, which sought to undermine the Iraqi leadership in the past decade.

Deputy White House Press Secretary Scott McClellan signaled that the Bush administration would soon seek a resolution allowing Iraq to "restore a normal trading relationship with the global economy."

Despite all this optimism, *The New York Times* reported that consent from all member states within the U.N. Security Council is necessary for a new resolution. Already proving problematic is Russia's indication that it would oppose any measure to lift sanctions from Iraq.

Before leaving for Texas to meet with returned POWs during the Easter holiday, Bush signed a $79 billion spending bill for reconstruction purposes in Iraq. According to *The New York Times*, approximately $20 billion of the new bill has been set aside to pay for war costs.

With victory at hand, many have questioned the whereabouts of Iraqi weapons of mass destruction, which were an integral justification for the United States waging war. MSNBC reported that the only evidence of such artillery was the discovery of empty containers made in Great Britain. Members of the U.N. Security Council have expressed second thoughts about recognizing a U.S.-led victory in Iraq until the affirmed weapons of mass destruction have been located.

The feud over the whereabouts of Iraqi weapons is expected to fluster opposition to the lifting of U.N. sanctions on Iraq. The reason is simple, *The New York Times* reported. Lifting the sanctions would indicate that Iraq does not possess any weapons of mass destruction. Until those weapons are found and destroyed, a new resolution ending sanctions may encounter some resistance within the U.N. Security Council.

Bush assured an audience last week that "the Iraqi people are reclaiming their own streets, their own country, and their own future." CNN highlighted comments made by the president that suggested Iraqi reconstruction would not undertaken without difficulty.

"With all the hardships of this transition, the lives of the Iraqi people will be better than anything they have known for generations," Bush said to CNN.

Questioning its immediacy, BBC News revealed that the lifting of U.N. sanctions would allow Iraq to sell oil to facilitate post-war reconstruction. Many warned that such a proposal would only serve to spark another thorough round of negotiations within the U.N. Security Council. U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan said that the lifting of Iraqi sanctions would depend heavily upon the discovery of its weapons of their mass destruction program.

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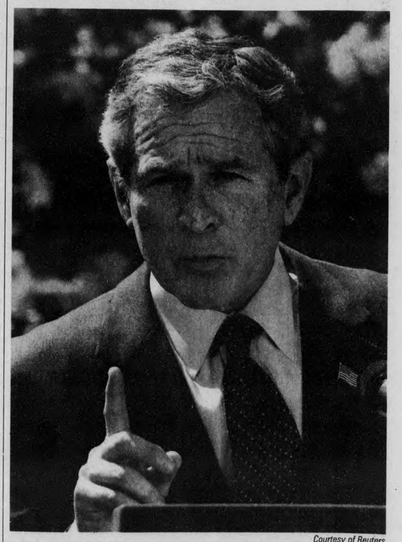
A policy of containment towards Iraq was legitimized through various U.N. resolutions since the end of the Persian Gulf War in 1991. Ending the sanctions without any evidence of banned weapons in Iraq would severely undermine the legitimacy of the United Nations, as well as the war itself.



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U.S. President George W. Bush voices his vision for Iraq's future. As Iraqi rebuilding begins, the Bush administration called for lifting sanctions against Iraq in order to promote regular trading in the global market.

Tax cut dispute is a "bad precedent"

By David LaRoss
Staff Writer

The past weeks have seen a surprising reversal for U.S. President George W. Bush. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has been officially deposed as ruler of Iraq—a culmination of an initiative that Bush began in the summer of 2002 and a major political victory. At the same time, two Senate Republicans have taken up arms against him, voting with the Democratic minority to trim his proposed tax cut by more than half.

> *"That House and Senate GOP leaders would write two tax reconciliation numbers in the budget—$550 billion for the House and $350 billion for the Senate—is not only a cry of desperation by our Republican friends, but also an outrage and a farce!"*
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According to *The New York Times*, their House counterparts, and the president, have expressed anger not only at Republican moderates, but also at the Senate leaders who failed to bring them into line.

"When the president, the vice president, the leader of the Senate, 46 of your colleagues say, 'Let's go forward and give this a try,' I think it is pretty amazing that one or two people would decide that they know exactly the right number, and it's the very lowest possible number that anybody is willing to talk about," House Majority Whip Roy Blunt, R-Mo., said to MSNBC.

Tax cuts have been a key part of Bush's economic plans since he took office, and the $726 billion bill that came before Congress this month was merely the latest in a series of attempts to jumpstart the American economy. A House compromise cut the amount to $550 billion, and all indications were that, that version of the bill would go to the president's desk. According to the Associate Press, moderate Republicans in the Senate, claiming that even the reduced amount was too much and too soon, refused to vote for any cut totaling above $350 billion over 10 years. House Republicans had no warning of the result of the vote, which caused many to blame Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn.

"The House, and the White House were completely blindsided," an anonymous "top" administration official said to MSNBC. "To say that everyone was angry is an understatement."

A meeting between House and Senate Republicans failed to produce any agreement on the subject, forcing both sides to drop the tax cut from the bill entirely and pass only a budget resolution. The resolution is a broad blueprint for the coming year's budget that defines only upper limits for the budget's spending totals. It does not end the conflict, but merely postpones it until one legislative house brings it to a vote again.

"Clearly the understanding is explicit that the package remains at 350 [billion dollars]. Our voices have clearly been heard at every level," said Sen. Olympia Snowe, R-Maine, according to CNN. Snowe is one of the two Senate Republicans opposing the House's cut, along with Sen. George Voinovich of Ohio.

This is the first time that a budget has been passed with different numbers for the House and Senate, and Democrats call it a "bad precedent," according to *The New York Times*.

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The budget plan does alter the terms of the dispute in one important respect. Any further debate on the size of this tax cut is exempt from any procedural rules on filibuster, a process under which any group can prolong debate indefinitely unless 60 Senators vote to end it. This means that, under no circumstances, will it take more than 50 votes to pass one version of the cut.

For his part, Bush has given up calling for the $726 billion cut, instead backing the House's version.

"We need tax relief totaling at least $550 billion to make sure our economy grows," Bush said to CNN. "The proposals I announced three months ago were designed to address specific weaknesses slowing down our economy and kept companies from hiring new workers. Those weaknesses remain today."

Since the budget resolution was produced on April 9, the only action that has been taken on the subject came in the form of a series of television advertisements financed by a private conservative group called the Club for Growth. The advertisements, which began running on April 19 in Snowe and Voinovich's home states, attack them as opposing economic growth, according to the Associated Press.

"Not only is this a defeat for the president, it is a defeat for the Republican Party," President of the Club for Growth Stephen Moore said.

No matter what happens within the GOP, the tax issue, along with all other business, will remain dormant until Congress returns from a two-week recess on April 28. It remains a high priority for the Republican Party as a whole and especially for Bush, who has already had to deal with one prolonged budget conflict in his term.

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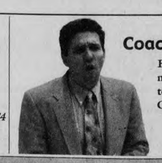

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The heart of a champion

The Bucknellian names All-American Molly Creamer as the Female Athlete of the Year

By Joe Schweitzer
Staff Writer

At a cocktail lounge in California, Rocky and Rudy are smiling at Lewisburg, Pa. These two sports icons, who captured the love of moviegoers everywhere by overcoming monumental obstacles with heart and determination, are waiting to make room at their table for Molly Creamer '03. Creamer deserves a chance to rub elbows with the two sports legends after using her own outstanding heart and love of the game to earn spots on the 2003 Associated Press All-American squad and the WNBA draft prospects list.

"She has so much love for this game and it's evident every time she steps on the court," All-American campaign coordinator Kelli Sheesley said. "It made everything I was doing seem worthwhile."

Whether Creamer stays after practice to shoot extra jumpers or she hustles to beat the bells at 10 o'clock mass, passion dictates her lifestyle. This unequaled heart made her cherished by the Bucknell community, and now the nation. In fact, her hard work and passion for the game are the two traits that attracted Bucknell to Creamer.

"Molly has always been a behind the scenes individual wanting to cheer the parade on from the street corner," close friend and University Catholic Chaplain Marty Moran said. "A lot of the 'Bucknell Molly' was in place before she arrived."

These two awards are certainly the most fitting rewards for Creamer because each honor's essence is difficult to put into words. This only seems appropriate for a woman who always preferred actions over words. According to former teammate Lori Houck '99, the media room was a challenging place for the modest Creamer.

> ***One of Creamer's favorite quotes:***
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> ***"The vision of a true champion is somebody who is bent over, drenched in sweat at the point of exhaustion, when nobody else is watching."***
> ***—Mia Hamm***

"My senior year [Creamer's first-year season] we were often pulled together to speak with the paper and radio reporters. Molly always answered every question by crediting someone else on the team," Houck said. "Sometimes, I think she lost track of the question because she was busy crediting all her teammates."

Daily Item writer Tom Housenick discovered that comments about Creamer's passion are usually just deflections from more individual praise when he interviewed her last year after setting the old record for most points in a single game.

"She couldn't put a sentence together about her unbelievable performance, but she was excited about a play or two by her teammates and the meal she was having later that night at Perkins," Housenick said. "She would only talk of her desire to keep playing the sport she so evidently loves."

Creamer netted 2,462 points, more than any other male or female basketball player in Patriot League history, yet one of her brightest moments came in a half

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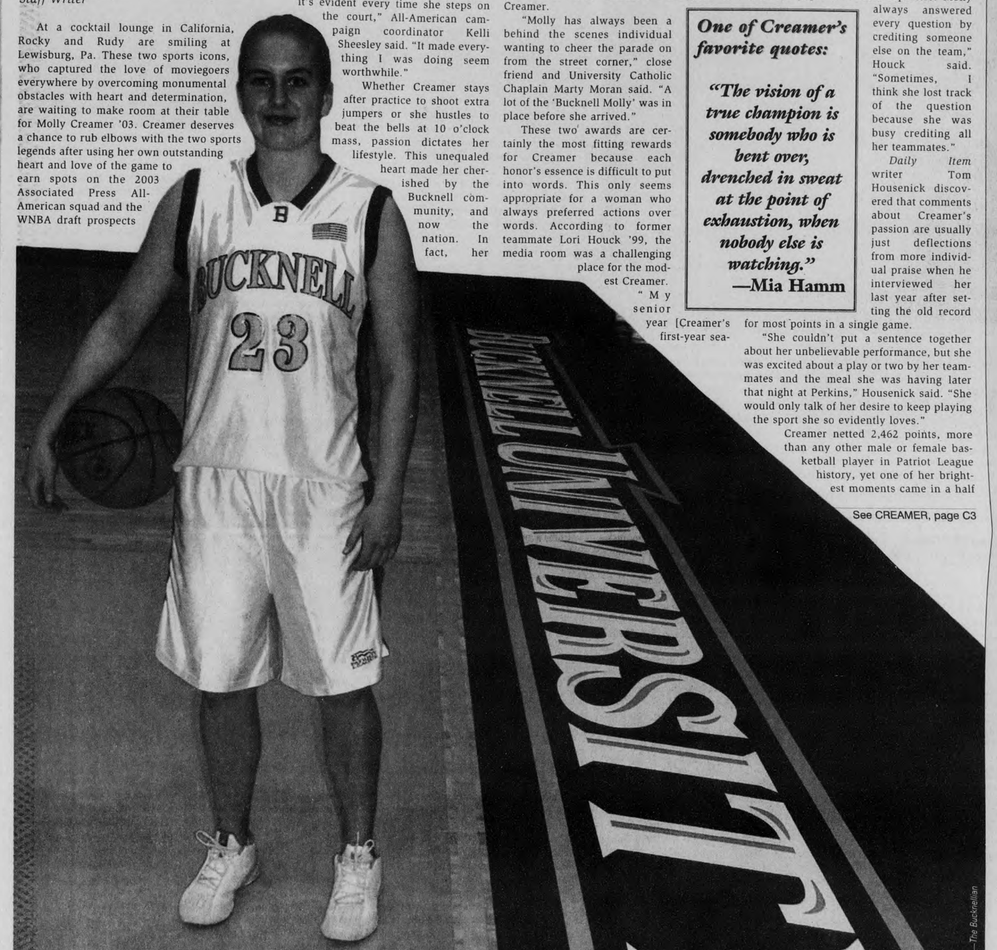

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Molly Creamer

By the Numbers:

2,462 Total points

21 Average points per game

498 Total rebounds

44 Career high points in one game vs. Lafayette

8 Three-point field goals made in one game

18 Free throws made in one game

.436 Overall field goal percentage

.839 Overall free throw percentage

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The best of Me Like Sportz

The man, the myth, the legend ... Aaron DeRosa

Mr. Bucknell himself, Aaron DeRosa '03 makes his last appearance in *The Bucknellian* Sports section.

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PITCHING

Athletes of the Year

Burning up the Strike Zone

With a Patriot League ERA of 3.00, the Bison pitching staff has been destroying its opponents.

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AWARDS

Rookies of the Year

***The Bucknellian* awards Rookie of the Year**

Lectie Altman '06 and Phil Futrick '06 jumpstart their careers at Bucknell with great freshman seasons.

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Sports

Baseball dominates Patriot League

By Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

After a drama-packed home series against Army last weekend, the Bucknell baseball team is bearing down on what looks to be a promising postseason. The Bison split both doubleheaders with the Black Knights, improving their league record to 11-5 and their overall record to 20-11.

According to preseason polls, the Bison should have been wallowing somewhere in the basement of the Patriot League by now. Instead, the team is thriving on top of the league and has secured a playoff spot.

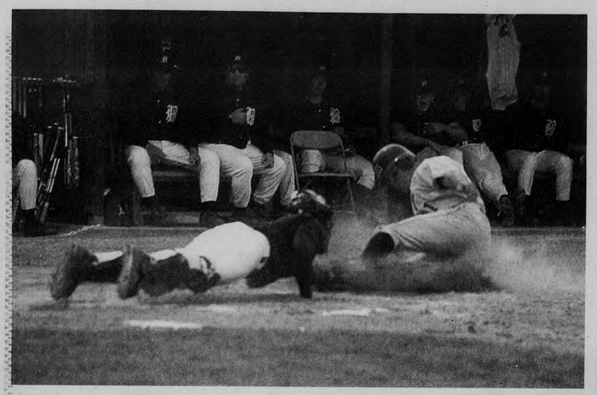
The series against Army was marked by both achievement and frustration for the Bison, as they won the first game of each day in dominating style, 2-1 and 9-0, but were unable to take the second games of each doubleheader, falling 1-5 and 6-7.

Assistant Coach Rick Ciccione said that there are two ways to look at the weekend.

"On the one hand, we should have won three of four games," Ciccione said. "On the other hand, we won two more games against them than we did last year and emerged from the weekend still in first place by a game. The latter is the approach we need to take."

"We control our own destiny and I am confident that we will go out and clinch the home-field advantage for the playoffs this weekend."
—Rick Ciccione, assistant coach

The two victories provided enough highlights to outweigh the disappointments. High-points of the weekend included a stunning one-hit complete game by Zach Allen '03, a stellar weekend for Patriot League Rookie of the Week Kyle Walter '06 and a Patriot League record-tying ninth save for Phil Futrick '06, as well as several other superb efforts from the team.



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Catcher Phil Bunting '05 is airborn as he places the tag on Army's Schuyler Williamson during the second game on Sunday. Williamson was out on the play, ending Army's three-run third inning and preserving the Bison lead.

Kevin Miller '04 started things off for the Bison with an excellent outing in the first game on Saturday. He held the Black Knights to just one run on six hits in 6.2 innings of work and struck out eight batters along the way.

"We've become accustomed to great pitching performances from Kevin Miller," co-captain R.J. Grant '03 said. "He sets the tone every weekend."

Pitching dominated the game from both sides through the first four and a half innings, as neither Bucknell nor Army could plate a run until the fifth inning. The Bison got on the board first when Walter led off the inning with his second home run of the season, a solo shot to left field. The talented rookie went three-for-three in the contest.

The Bison padded their lead with another run in the sixth. Sam Moss '04 singled and then advanced to second on an error before Brian Day '05 moved him to third with a sacrifice ground out. Brian Hirschberg '04 sent home Moss with a sacrifice fly, giving the Bison a 2-0 lead.

Army broke up the shutout in the seventh inning, scoring a run with two outs in the frame, but Futrick came in to strike out the final batter and close out the win for the Bison, contributing to the effective pitching that would carry through the weekend for the Bison.

"The pitching staff once again showed why we are amongst the elite in the league," Kevin Burns '03 said.

In the second game, the Bison struggled to regain the momentum they had in game one, falling 1-5 to the Black Knights.

Army threw two runs on the board in the first and three in the second, jumping to a 5-1 lead. The Bison scored their only run in the first inning when a Hirschberg double scored Ben Stoll '04. Hirschberg accounted for three of the Bison's five hits in the game.

Neither team scored in the final four innings of the game. Matt Daley '04 pitched 4.2 strong innings to hold Army scoreless, striking out three and giving up only two hits.

The first game of the second day provided one of the finest all around performances by the Bison squad so far this season, as the Orange and Blue dismantled Army 9-0.

"Game three was our best game of the year in the Patriot League," Head Coach Gene Depew said. "We got an outstanding pitching performance from Zach Allen for the third week in a row. We played errorless defense and scored nine runs."

Ciccione had similar sentiments about the game.

"That was probably the most complete game we have played all year," Ciccione said.

Allen's performance was among the memorable of the season, as he faced only 23 batters—two more than the minimum—in the complete game shutout victory. He finished the day giving up just two walks and a hit, ending with a no-hitter to his credit. He is only the fourth pitcher in Bucknell history to pitch a one-hitter.

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Bison come together for an inspirational huddle before the seventh inning.

On the other side of the ball, the Bison batters came through with an offensive explosion, troubling the Army pitchers for nine runs on nine hits.

The Bison started off with a bang in the first when Stoll led off with a double. A walk and a steal by Hirschberg put runners on second and third for Ben Krentzman '03, who sent them both home with an RBI single.

They added two more in the third when Moss singled, Day walked and Hirschberg slammed a double to center field to score Moss. Krentzman was hit by a pitch to put runners on the corners for Walter, who hit into a fielder's choice that allowed Day to score and give the Bison a comfortable 4-0 lead.

The lead got even more com-

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Kyle Walter '06 stops at second after hitting a double in a recent game against Army. Walter had two RBIs on the day to help the Bison effort.

Women's lacrosse clinch spot in P.L. playoffs

By Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

The Bucknell women's lacrosse team clinched a spot in the Patriot League Tournament with its 12-8 win over Villanova last Saturday. The Bison are now 7-6 overall and 3-3 in the league, good enough to place them third in the standings and secure a spot in the playoffs.

The scoring was dominated by Suzanne Raffaele '03 and Meredith Wright '04. Raffaele netted four goals in her final home game and Wright added three scores and an assist.

The first half of the contest was mostly give-and-take between the Bison and the Wildcats, although Villanova did manage to string together three goals in a three-minute span of time starting with 21 minutes, 27 seconds left in the half.

Raffaele scored the Bison's first three goals of the game, netting shots at 29:15, 23:25 and 14:05. The Orange and Blue scored four goals in the last 15 minutes of the half, leaving the first frame with a 6-6 tie.

Amy Hasler '04 scored the first goal of the second half for the Bison with 28:32 remaining. Four minutes later, Villanova evened out the score yet again to bring the game to 7-7.

A goal by Victoria Field '06 gave the Bison an 8-7 lead with 18:11 to go. The shot, Field's second goal of the game, kicked off a spree of four unanswered goals for the Bison. Raffaele, Amy Lee '05 and Wright scored at 16:30, 14:34 and 11:09, respectively, to give Bucknell a 11-7 advantage.

Villanova could only manage one more goal on Nichole Kallis '03, who ended the day with 12 saves. Both Kallis and Raffaele had excellent outings in the last home games of their collegiate careers.

The Bison opened the lead back to four when Wright scored a goal with 2:10 remaining in the game, allowing the Bison to cruise home to a 12-8 win and a tournament berth.

The team will square off with Colgate, the league's No. 2 seed, in the first round of the tournament on Saturday in Washington, D.C. They will play one more regular season game before the playoffs begin, traveling to Drexel on Tuesday.

Courtesy of Athletic Communications

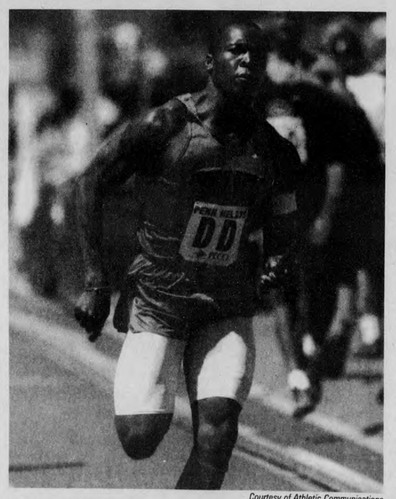
Emily Burman '06 and Maura White '04 scramble for a ball in a recent game.

Track tries to come from behind in five-way

By Evan Honeyfield
Staff Writer

Bucknell men's and women's track and field teams both finished second to Mid-America Conference power Kent State, with the men squeaking out a tie for second with Rhode Island, this past Saturday at Bucknell's five-way meet.

Coming into the last event, the 4x400-meter relay, with Bucknell's men leading Rhode Island by only two points, the Bison had to beat the rams for second overall or finish no worse than one place behind the team in the 4x400 to ensure a tie for second. As the Bison have been hard pressed to find four quality legs in the 4x400 all season, the outlook was grim. With the support of the entire team, Ryan Newberger '05 made believers of many, as he led the team to a second-place finish in the relay, a season's best time, and a tie for second overall.



Courtesy of Athletic Communications

Noel Powell '03, shown here running in the Penn Relays, added the 100-meter and long jump to his list of wins along with his win in the 200.

Earlier, Newberger had stepped up to win the 400-meter (48.66) and place second in the 200-meter (21.57) behind teammate Noel Powell '04.

"It all just kind of came together," Newberger said. "The competition was great and really pushed me along. I knew I had to give it my all if I was going to perform well. This was the first weekend I've actually felt strong in [the 400], especially on the last straightaway."

Powell's reign of fire for the season continued as he added the 100-meter and long jump to his list of wins along with his win in the 200. The men also got wins and seasonal bests from Ryan Delaney '06 in the 3,000k steeplechase and Adam Kaufman '03 in the hammer throw.

Dan Lounsbury '05, Aaron Hanlon '04 and Rich Alexander '03 gave the Bison second-place efforts in the 5,000-meter, 800-meter and 110-meter hurdles, respectively. Lou Palma '03 placed third in a very competitive 1,500-meter, one of only two events of the day that the saw the winner hit the NCAA regional mark.

"I was very happy with the way the team competed," Newberger said. "It's always a little disappointing to come in second, but we were up against some really strong competition."

Newberger said he was most impressed with Dan Franke's first javelin competition.

"Hearing about Frake's last-minute entrance into the javelin was probably the highlight of the meet in my eyes," Newberger said. "He knew we needed points and decided to enter into yet another event to gain us some."

On the women's side, the competition was primarily between Bucknell and Kent State with Robert Morris finishing a distant third. Charity Brady '03 led the team with a 400-meter win, third-place finish in the 200 and was a part of the winning 4x400.

"Kent State has an excellent track program," Brady said. "I think it was good for us to compete against them, because they brought in a lot of strong competition. All in all, I think we held our own against them."

"The women's team looked great this weekend. Everyone got out there and competed, and that's what Coach wants us to do. All of us are right on track for competing at leagues."
—Charity Brady '03

Brady definitely held her own, as in all three events she ran seasonal bests. Even so, Brady was most pleased with the combined efforts of her teammates.

"We qualified for ECACs in the 4x400-meter, so I was very happy with all my teammates," Brady said. "We all ran hard."

Maria Garcia '04 helped the effort by throwing a huge school record to win the hammer (180-11). Garcia, already an NCAA regional qualifier, improved her best by over eight feet.

Theresa Dennis '03 jogged for an easy win in the 5,000-meter, helped

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Sports

Bison try for first-place finish in P.L. for fourth straight year

The graduating seniors have won more games than any class in University history

By Pat Evans
Sports Editor

The Bison men's lacrosse team beat Colgate 10-9 in its second-to-last league contest of the season. With the win the Bison need only one more win this weekend against Lehigh to ensure a share of the Patriot League Championship, which would make it the fourth straight year that they have at least tied for the title. The win also means that this year's senior class is the all-time winningest class in the University's rich lacrosse history.

Unfortunately, the Bison's victory against Colgate is also bittersweet, as they will unlikely make the NCAA Tournament since Army ensured the outright win of the Patriot League with a win over Hobart, which gives them the sole automatic bid. The Bison would lose the head-to-head tiebreaker against Army since they lost to the Black Knights last weekend 10-9.

The Herd jumped out to a commanding lead early against Colgate, taking a 7-2 lead into halftime. Leading 3-2 midway into the second quarter, Kyle Morin '06 and Michael Petrash '05 scored just 17 seconds apart to make the lead 5-2. Patrick Christensen '03 then rattled off two more to make it 7-2 going into the break. Morin finished with two goals in the game, both in the first half.

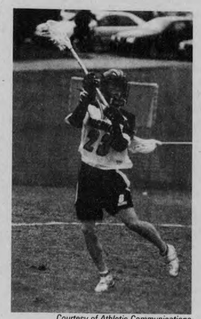
"I was getting some nice looks early in the game," Morin said. "The defense wasn't breaking down that well, and I took advantage of it."

The Bison knew coming into the game that they would need an Army loss in order for their win over Colgate to mean anything. At halftime they saw the scores of the games around the nation and learned that they were unlikely to get that loss. The disappointing news could have been one of the reasons for a sluggish second half.

The Raiders jumped all over the Bison, scoring the next five goals of the game to tie the score at seven.

"Give Colgate some credit—they've definitely improved," Head Coach Sid Jamieson said. "It wasn't so much that we weren't at the top of our game, it was just a function of some of the swings that occur in every game."

Despite the Colgate run, the seniors got their team motivated and focused on winning the game for pride. Goalie Justin Sussman '03 anchored the defense at the end of the game and finished with 13 saves, six of which were critical ones in the fourth quarter. The preseason All-America selection is now third all-time among University goalies in saves.



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Kelly Hogue '03 converted a pass by Andrew Copelan '03 for the go ahead goal against Colgate on Sunday.

"We were able to build up a five-goal lead, but they got back into it because we let down a little bit in the second half," Sussman said. "We still found a way to pull through."

In a span of just 1:33, the Bison tallied three goals to make the score 10-7. Kelly Hogue '03 scored off an Andrew Copelan '03 feed, and then Rob Lane '03 scored two unassisted goals. The defense was able to hold on for the win.

"The important thing is what the score was at the end of the game," Jamieson said. "When they got it close we stretched it again, which is the sign of a good team."

Coming into this season, the Bison felt like they had what it took to win the Patriot League outright and gain the automatic NCAA bid. Even after they lost some key players early in the season, they still felt like they should beat any team. The loss to Army last weekend was disappointing because of these expectations and because the Bison were ahead and dominated the entire contest.

"We let one get away and it cost us," Jamieson said. "We had it in the bag and we let it slip away to a team that is playing very well right now, but one that we should've beaten."

Despite not making the tournament, the seniors still have a lot to be proud of. The win over Colgate gives them the most wins of any class in University history, an incredible accomplishment when considering the illustrious program history.

Maybe even more impressive is the four straight years the Bison have won or shared the Patriot League title, a feat unheard of in recent memory.

"It's a great honor. We came in here all together, and we knew right away that we were going to make a difference. We haven't let down the expectations coming in at all. Every single senior has made a tremendous impact on this program," Sussman said.

The Bison defense is a big reason for the success of the team this season and the three preceding it. After the first four weeks of play, the University captured all four Patriot League Defensive Player of the Week awards and was ranked third in the nation in goals allowed per game, allowing fewer than five goals in all of their wins. Sussman is big reason for the defensive and team success. Midway through the season the goalie ranked No. 1 in the nation in save percentage with .703. Sussman graduates as one of the best goalies all-time in University history.

Courtesy of Athletic Communications

Starting midfielder Andrew Sauders '03 has been part of the senior class that has won more games than any other class in Bucknell history, an incredible accomplishment when considering the illustrious program history.

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—Sid Jamieson, head coach

"I'm honored to be mentioned in the same breath as some of the great goalies in University history. I never dreamed of having this kind of success. It's a tribute to our defenses that make this program very conducive to goalies," Sussman said.

The recent success of the program is further enhanced by the difficulty of schedule that they have played recently. The Bison have competed against some of the top teams in the nation including North Carolina, Maryland and Penn State, not to mention the difficulty of playing in the Patriot League where Hobart and Army have been historical perennial powerhouses.

"All of our four losses this year have come against potential tournament teams," Jamieson said. "That gives a good picture of the level of competition that this program is playing against right now."

Courtesy of Athletic Communications

Starting midfielder for the Bison Andrew Copelan '03 has played a vital role for the team throughout the past four years. "He is almost like a quarterback on the field, the kind of player who makes very few mistakes. He is an intangible guy," Head Coach Sid Jamieson said of Copelan.

Creamer named Patriot League Tournament Most Valuble Player

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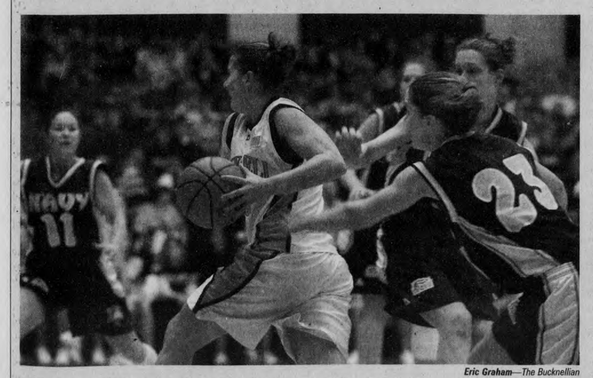
where she established herself as a consummate team player. The Bison needed a dominating performance by Creamer to upset Holy Cross in the Patriot League Championship game last year, but she deferred countless open shots and effortlessly carved up the Crusaders' defense with eight crisp assists, giving the Bison a halftime lead. They never relinquished that lead as the team cruised to the program's first Patriot League Championship.

"She was the leader and just played out an incredible tournament by distributing when she needed to, getting people involved where they could be successful, scoring herself when we needed it and rebounding," Head Coach Kathy Fedorjaka said. "The look of intensity on Molly's face as she retreated back on defense, pulling her hands together and focused on charging the team up, will forever be etched in my memory."



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Molly Creamer '03 drives to the basket in an earlier game against Navy. After the season was completed Creamer was awarded Patriot League Player of the Year for the third consecutive year.

Creamer's refusal to be denied is also attributed to her passion for the game. Her heart faced an ultimate test earlier this season when Lehigh visited for the grand opening of Sojka Pavilion. Creamer and the Bison struggled mightily as Lehigh built a commanding lead with just over five minutes remaining and seemed poised to coast to an easy victory. Creamer's heart beat faster than ever those last five minutes as she scored 17 points, including a stretch of 14 straight, to almost single-handedly steal the victory for the Orange and Blue. While she amassed that amazing point total, Creamer's pure will and desire contributed to each basket far more than her skill and talent.

"In my eyes, an All-American is someone who not only is one of the best players in the country, but also works harder than anyone," co-captain Kate Franks '03 said. "Over the past four years, I have been honored to play with Molly and watch her work at a level higher than anyone else."

Creamer's level of play and commitment are well-respected by rival members of the league as well. Teams created specialized defenses to minimize her impact on the game, but Colgate Head Coach Beth Combs admitted that their task was rarely achieved.

"She has continued to improve in each of the past four years at Bucknell. She can score off the dribble, off the catch and in transition. She can take over any moment of a game," Combs said.

As Creamer looks to continue her heroics in the WNBA, the community that watched her grow into an icon will be rooting her on. There is no better way to wish her luck in the future than by sharing the words of those who love her in the present.

"I am going to miss everything she brings on and off the court," Kristin Valdner '04 said. "Molly has taught me so much about the game and about the love for the game."

Creamer's coach looks forward to seeing the progression of Creamer's career.

"A smile will always come to my face when I hear the name Molly Creamer," Fedorjaka said.

In her college career, Creamer has also gained the respect and encouragement of other coaches.

"There are two words I want her to remember as a departing student-athlete from Bucknell: Game On," Houck said.

Move over Rocky and Rudy—set another place for Bucknell's hero of heart, Molly Creamer.

"When I look back at my four years, I will only probably remember a couple of games. But I will never forget the times with my teammates, the hard times, the good times, the life long friends I have made. I just feel very lucky to have had the experience I have had, and to have met so many wonderful people who have impacted me so much. I will miss coming into the fieldhouse and just seeing so many familiar friendly faces."
—Molly Creamer '03

Sports Ops

Best of Cecily Cairns Classic Corner 2002-03

Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

Sept. 6, 2002
On Thoroughbred racehorse Zippy Chippy:
He may be the best story in horse racing, and his trainer, Felix Monserrate, is making sure that he snags a few headlines on the professional baseball front as well. Why is Zippy, a scrawny-looking gelding with the grace of a dump truck, so famous? Because he knows how to lose. Very well. You won't hear any whiny excuses or cries of injustice (à la pampered media-darling War Emblem) from Zippy's camp. No, there are no excuses for Zippy Chippy. He just stinks.

March 3, 2003
On Toni Smith's protest of the American Flag:
Our flag—and all the beauty that it represents—has everything to do with sports. Everything.
That is why we line up, facing our nation's symbol, with all its political implications and all its history, good, bad and otherwise. That is why Old Glory flies over ballparks, stadiums, gymnasiums, racetracks and playing fields all over our nation. That's why we line up, with our hands over our hearts, shoulder to shoulder with our teammates, our comrades, and face the flag.
So go ahead and turn away. You have every right to do so. Turn away from all of it.
The athletes who really get sports, the people you think are naïve, from multimillion dollar, hotshot, world-class athletes like Mike Piazza and Al Leiter to broken-down walk-ons like myself, will still stand aside our teammates and face that flag.
We—the blind patriots, the political sheep, the hypocrites—we'll do just fine without you.

Feb. 7, 2003
On the Raiders' treatment of teammate Barrett Robbins:
But the fact is, the biggest game of their life is over and they blew it. They blew it well after the clock had ticked zero, in the locker room, when faced with a decision to assume the worst about their teammate or hold back their speculation long enough to realize that something wasn't right. They chose to attack.

Sept. 20, 2002
So I'll throw this memory, this tribute, into the vast compilation of eulogies and nostalgic laments of his passing. Maybe I'm not as wise, or as experienced, or as elegantly profound as the minions of writers who can boast a real historical appreciation of sports, but I can still say thank you.
Thank you for the autograph. Thank you for the smile. Thank you for the highlights I've seen on NFL Films, the stories I've read and the impact I know you've had on every football game I've ever watched and every quarterback I've ever loved.
Thanks, Johnny, for making this sport everything it is supposed to be.

Jan. 24, 2003
On the Buccaneers' competing in Super Bowl XXXVII:
… This league seems to spew out Cinderella stories as though there's some secret, ancient script signed by Pete Rozelle that necessitates a certain frequency of cloying, sappy, zero-to-hero ascensions to fame per each half-decade. With that in light, the Buccaneers chances, based on the past-pathetic-ism factor, are pretty damn good.

Nov. 8, 2002
On being *almost* perfect:
There will always be losers, and sometimes in the process of losing they will be subjected to great agony. But if they are lucky—and most of them are—they will be fortunate enough to step out on the mound, the field, the track or wherever they belong, and have the pleasure of trying again what they failed to achieve the first time around.

April 11, 2003
On Ben Hogan's 1953 season:
… That's not what he had in mind in 1949 on a road about 200 miles southeast of El Paso, when the massive bus came hurdling at his Caddy, barreling head on into the front of his vehicle. He just wanted to protect his wife, and hurling himself—all 160 pounds—between her and the monster bearing down on them was the best he could do.
Luckily for her, luckily for him—luckily for golf—Hogan's selflessness made all the difference.

Dec. 6, 2002
On the Hall of Fame's snubbing of Bruce Sutter:
… Whether some historians like it or not, the bullpen matters. It's mattered for half a century, and it's going to keep mattering. So why, then, doesn't the guy who revolutionized it matter?

March 28, 2003
On Tug McGraw:
There was never a dull moment with Tug in the game. And there was hardly a moment of pessimism, either.
Watching McGraw bounce through life on the diamond was enough to remind anyone why our country loves baseball so much. His joy just infiltrated into the atmosphere wherever he went.

Jan. 31, 2003
On Super Bowl XXXVI:
Most people have already filed the game into a historical category designated expressly for the placement of games that an individual could not possibly have enjoyed unless under one or any combination of the following circumstances: He or she 1) is a fan of the winning team, 2) had placed a "friendly wager" benefiting from the outcome or 3) chose to imbibe a significant portion of special gameday beverages.

Nov. 1, 2002
On the rally monkey's rise to fame, as seen by organ-grinding monkeys:
And a staggering injustice it is. I mean, they spend day in and day out working their little prehensile tails off for a good meal, while this "rally monkey" character just bounces around on the scoreboard for a few minutes, and—bam!—he's the nation's fuzziest media darling.

April 18, 2003
On baseball's slow-starters:
Ineptitude is kind of fun, at least for those of us watching from afar. Fans love lousy teams. So do sportswriters. It's somehow comforting to be able to chuckle at the collective misfortunes of a team like the Tigers.
Laughing at—and immortalizing—baseball's blunderers is an act of rich tradition through the sport's history. If not rich, at least a little colorful. Being self-destructively slow-out-of-the-gate isn't really a distinction any of the league's 30 teams are gunning for, but some teams throughout the past century have left their mark that way.

Nov. 22, 2002
On the tradition of the Wheaties box:
Simply put, there's nothing quite like seeing your image superimposed on a blindingly vibrant orange cardboard box, staring down at you from the top shelf in aisle 12 of Acme Supermarket, sandwiched between Tony the Tiger and Count Chocula.

Feb. 14, 2003
On Denny McClain:
Within two years, his flirt with immortality was grounded. The spark, the glitter and the promise of his career had simply imploded, and all that was left was a smattering of rubbly meteorites, the fragments of what could have been.

Sept. 13, 2002
On Ed McCaffrey's return to the NFL after fracturing his leg, which he likened to a "bee sting":
His career could last another game, or it could last another seven years. While he's banking on the latter, he's aware of the former as a possibility, and it's evident that he's prepared to play every snap as though it will be the last one he lines up for. Then again, he's been doing that his whole career.
One thing is for certain: However long it lasts, McCaffrey's return has been, and will continue to be, a pleasure to witness. No one in the league is more dependable, more hard-knocking or easier to cheer for than Easy Ed. He's indefatigable—unflinching, really—and for that reason he is in some ways indestructible.
If his metaphoric bee is lurking behind every snap, every hit, every cut of every route, brandishing its wicked stinger like a bayonet on a loaded rifle, you'd never know it by looking at him.
Maybe it's because he possesses a courage that could outgun any antihistamine on the market.

Oct. 11, 2002
On the 2002 American League Championship Series:
When it comes to the Anahiem Angels, foul luck has nestled itself deep beneath the languid roots that constitute the team's past. For the Minnesota Twins, misfortune is infesting and suffocating the bright green buds that were once poised to bloom into the franchise's future.
One team with a past from hell; one with a future of nightmares. It's difficult to decide which team's circumstances cry out the most for salvation.

Feb. 28, 2003
On heartbreak:
It's Tony Saunders sitting down behind a battery of microphones in late August of 2000, with a sling engulfing his left arm and a huge white splint partially obscuring the tattoo on his shoulder—a tattoo with the words "my world" scrawled over an image of a hand gripping a baseball. It's watching Saunders use his right hand, his functional hand, in a desperate and unavailing attempt to hold his tears at bay. It's the look in his eyes, glassy and bright red, as he faced the glaring lights and admitted to the media, to the baseball world, to those who had followed him through his first bout with a broken arm, and worst of all, to himself, that baseball and all the dreams that go with it were no longer feasible—"his world" would never be the same.
… There's something else to heartbreak, though, that sometimes falls by the wayside, something that Page 2 doesn't attend to. It's hard to see, since it's buried in the shadow of tremendous sadness, but it's there.
It's Tony Saunders, a month after he said goodbye to baseball, clad in street clothes and still donning a sling, crouching on the back of the mound at Tropicana Field—a place that had once played a crucial role in his now-forsaken dream. It's the beautiful 3-year-old girl—Saunders' daughter—standing in front of him, proudly dressed in an oversized Devil Rays jersey with her daddy's name and number on the back, hurling the ceremonial first pitch towards the plate with all her strength.
It's the look in Saunders' eyes, maybe a little glassy, but no longer red, as he walks away from his old world—a world he'll never forget—one last time, with his new world—the world he'll live for for the rest of his life—at his side holding onto the hand of his good arm.
That's what makes it tolerable. Where death is the end of a story, heartbreak is only the end of a chapter.
Sometimes you just need to keep reading.

Get rid of the closer

By Mark Walker
Staff Writer

On Saturday, I had the "privilege" to be at Shea Stadium to watch closer Armando Benitez blow his fourth save in a little over a week. The Mets took a 5-4 lead in dramatic fashion, as Roberto Alomar ripped a two-run double to the right-center gap in the bottom of the eighth inning. At the start of the ninth inning, the bullpen doors swung open, and the 36,000 fans at Shea Stadium began bracing for another nerve-wracking inning at the hands of Benitez.

From the minute Benitez stepped on the field, almost all 36,000 fans let out a cascade of boos. I, too, angrily expressed my great displeasure at seeing Benitez come out onto the field. My boos, and I believe the boos and catcalls of a lot of other fans at Shea, were not directed as much at Benitez as they were at the entire concept of the closer.

In the not too distant past, teams did not have one set pitcher, whose job it was to come into the game in the ninth inning with a one-to-three-run lead to get three outs. Instead, managers would either leave their starter in for a complete game, leave in a reliever who had been successful in that game, or would go to a new pitcher who would be best suited to face the opposing team's upcoming batters. That all started to change in 1969, when major-league baseball began keeping track of the "save" statistic. Saves are awarded to the pitcher that gets the last out of a game with the team holding a lead of three or fewer runs, or if the pitcher holds any lead for the final three innings of a game.

The closer role was further developed in the 1980s during Dennis Eckersley's tenure as an Oakland Athletic. Eckersley became the first reliever to be used almost exclusively for save situations and nothing else. Throughout the late '80s and early '90s, many other teams in baseball adopted this model and established one pitcher to be their "guy" to come in and shut the door in the ninth inning.

So, what is so horrible about having an exclusive closer to use in save situations?

First, it is ridiculous to save your best relief pitcher for a save situation. Many times, a critical situation will arise in the sixth, seventh or eighth inning, where the pitcher that is considered the "closer" should be used. The manager will rarely put the "closer" on the mound, simply because it is not the ninth inning. For example, let's hypothetically say that the Dodgers are leading the Giants 5-4 in the bottom of the seventh inning. There are two outs and the Giants have the bases loaded for Barry Bonds. This will undoubtedly be the biggest at-bat of the game, so the Dodgers should bring in their "closer," Eric Gagne, assuming he has the best chance of getting Bonds out. It would be foolish to save Gagne for a ninth inning save opportunity, because there will likely not even be a save opportunity if Bonds is not retired in the seventh.

Next, way too often, teams take out a starter or middle reliever who had been pitching very well after the eighth inning, strictly because it is going to be a save opportunity. If a pitcher has been dominating opposing batters, he should stay in to close out the game, unless he is obviously tiring. For example, let's say that Oakland is beating Seattle 3-2 after eight innings. Mark Mulder has allowed only six base runners all game and has only thrown 105 pitches. It would be ludicrous to bring in Oakland's closer, Keith Foulke, even though he has historically been very successful at closing out games. Mulder has proven that he has his best stuff on that given day, and there is no way of knowing whether or not Foulke will be on top of his game. Mulder should stay in the game, regardless of the fact that it is a save opportunity.

Another issue is the save stat, which has led to the overemphasis of the closer role. Managers and players put too much importance on trying to accumulate as many saves as possible for their designated closer.

Also, the save can be a very deceiving statistic. For example, a pitcher could lead the league in saves with 50, while having had an awful season if he blew 15 saves in the process. Saves can also be very misleading, because some saves come much easier than others. Saves do not discriminate between retiring the heart of the order with a one-run lead and getting the bottom of the order out with a three-run lead. Save percentage and quality saves are more telling statistics of the success of a closer.

Now, back to Benitez. There is no reason that Benitez should have come in to try to close the game last Saturday. He had thrown a lot of pitches in earning a save the previous night and had been struggling of late. Mets' manager Art Howe should have rested Benitez and put a hotter and more rested arm on the mound for the ninth inning.

Once Howe decided to go with Benitez, it is inexcusable that he did not have another pitcher getting ready in the bullpen, considering Benitez's recent struggles. Howe, obsessed with the notion that Benitez must close out the game and earn a save, foolishly decided that the Mets would win or lose at the hands of Benitez.

Also, just to show how deceiving a stat the save is, Armando Benitez is currently tied for third in the National League in saves, despite having an abominable start to his 2003 season.

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The Decker Effect … exposed!

By now you've seen in my articles a common attempt to incorporate a truly marvelous and ubiquitous force—the Decker Effect. What started out as an inside joke quickly spread to consume the lives of those involved! Pieces describing events such as Manute Bol's professional ice hockey tenure, and New York Yankees and all $120-plus million that wasn't enough to win the World Series in 2002 are all vivid examples of the Decker Effect. Our very own sports writer, Aaron DeRosa '03, has yearned to learn more and asked that I elaborate on this topic: explaining what the Decker Effect is, where it comes from and why I write about it, almost religiously, in my weekly articles. So for Aaron and all of you, let's dig deep and investigate this phenomenon.

The Decker Effect is everywhere! Real-world examples include our very own computer scientist scare of the Y2K bug, the Detroit Red Wings and their early exit from the playoffs, and the current limp stock market.

What is the Decker Effect and where did it originate? Let's head back to October when a few sports buddies of mine decided to go on the Activities and Campus Events trip to Baltimore Inner Harbor. Once we got our basketball and NASCAR racing games out of our system at the ESPN Sports Zone, we headed out to what seemed like an outside carnival. Many people had joined in a circle to watch what we later found out to be a mime show. Curious as we were to get the full exposure of Baltimore life, we joined the scores of onlookers. While the act was amusing, we noticed a particular behavior of the mime that puzzled us. At various points in her routine she would begin to run around the crowd and wave her hands in an obvious attempt to pump up the crowd. What shocked us even more was once the crowd finally got into it, her next trick was nothing more than hopping on one foot across the makeshift stage. What?! That's it?!?! You mean I got up off the ground and actually attempted a golf clap for that? My immediate feeling was of disgust. I turned to my right and the first person I saw was my friend Rob D. I immediately exclaimed, "That was the Decker Effect, I tell you!" (You put it together, guys.) Following that outburst, my other buds began to laugh and remark on things in their life that were the Decker Effect—big buildup, with little results. Staying true to his name, Rob is the epitome of the Decker Effect—he never responded to my many attempts to quote him in this article!

Hard as it is to keep a joke going, the icing on the cake came not 30 minutes later when we stopped into a mall and watched a man attempting to play with a huge piece of fudge on a marble surface. Again he whaled his arms to get the crowd going—to do what you may ask? Just to grab half of the fudge with a spatula and slap it back down to the table.

This was just too much for us to handle. Instantly, my other two friends turned to Rob and said, "Yep, that's the Decker Effect!" Unequivocally and officially, the Decker Effect was born! Others, who had been enticed to stay also felt the "shock and awe" and big let down, proceeded to leave.

Who can be affected by this phenomenon? Everyone is capable! The Decker Effect is everywhere! Real-world examples include our very own computer scientist scare of the Y2K bug, The Detroit Red Wings and their early exit from the playoffs and the current limp stock market. Hmm, my girlfriend would even say my own weekly articles. So next time you look at a diet program's claims, or the next time you stand in line with all your expensive books to be sold back, remember the Decker Effect is looming!

This being my last *Bucknellian* sports article I'd like to thank *The Bucknellian* for the chance to express my views on sports happenings, my friends who read my articles each and every week, and, most importantly, my girlfriend, who has been supportive, sometimes nagging me to pour my heart and soul into my articles! I wish continued success for my Cowboys, Stars, Mavericks and Mets!

Me like sportz

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Senior Editor

Sports Vision 2010

Two years ago when I first began writing this column I kicked it off talking about all that I really knew about: New York sports. With no cable to catch SportsCenter and only a rudimentary working knowledge of worldly athletics, I set out to describe the Big Apple with as sardonically insightful a wit as I could divine from my inexperience. Here at the end of the road, it seems appropriate for me to branch out beyond my bubble and offer a brief glimpse of the future of sports at Bucknell, at home and abroad.

Bucknell
With the purchase of the Susquehanna River from Mother Nature, Bucknell expandeo its women's crew team to 300 while the men's team dwindled to five. Unfortunately, the commute to the river is still hampered by the University's failure to secure the farm lot. This does not stop the all-female duck hunting team from practicing regularly.
Meanwhile, the football team's roster which has swelled to over 400 athletes, including 100 walk-ons which no longer count against the Title IX statistics thanks to President Bush, still can't crack a .500 record.
The wrestling team now exists only in small cult-like circles that gather in the tunnels under the campus every full moon. They are denied their Supreme Court appeal, the last in a series of eight. To spite the bitter squad, the University begins work on the 5,000 seat hockey rink as the hockey team is finally promoted to Varsity status. Many wrestlers weep.
In response to the faculty's concern that the University has spent too much on athletics, the University has built a 15-story tower whose first four floors and massive parking complex are all reserved for faculty and administration.

National
After spiraling into a rage after the seventh consecutive World Series loss, George Steinbrenner fires Todd Zeile as head coach of the New York Yankees. It is rumored throughout the ESPN community that Pete Rose is next in line. Sadly, the Yankees have been afflicted by the "Curse of Contreras" ever since the Cuban defector was sent down to single A ball in a move that sparked a Jerry Springer-like moment between Big George and Joe Torre which ended poorly for Mighty Joe whose head was stuck on a spring and hung outside Steinbrenner's door like some Conradian bobble-head Kurtz-moment.
Hockey has continued to expand. Every community over 15,000 people has a hockey rink and an NHL team. Not surprisingly, there are more players than fans.
David Carr, quarterback of the Houston Texans is league MVP. His leading receiver is Jerry Rice whose age is creeping up slowly but surely on his uniform number. There are well-known murderers starting at every position throughout the league. The Cincinnati Bengals haven't fielded a competitive team in over three decades.
In the NBA, LeBron James has grown fat and addle-pated. He no longer slashes to the hoop so much as sluices like Jell-O between fingers with all the speed of an Iraqi weapons inspection. The playoffs have been expanded to five rounds and basketball players, similar to baseball's "boys of summer," are now affectionately dubbed the "four seasons." This prompts every playoff game to begin with a beautiful rendition of "December 1963 (Oh What a Night)" rather than the national anthem.
In support of women's golf, the Augusta Nationals now accept women onto their links, but in exchange, homosexuals, blacks and the Jewish are no longer allowed. They claimed this was to stop the protests while simultaneously maintaining their long-standing bigotry.

International
Japan leads the world in baseball World Series titles. Despite losing all their greats to the Yankees and Mariners, the scrappy Japanese players muscle their way through with more heart than the overpaid Americans can muster. The Germans and Chinese are both contenders but only because they have instituted an actual baseball draft similar to a military draft requiring all children ages 12 and up to begin a strict pitching, batting and catching regimen.
With the success of Yao Ming, the Chinese began giving incentives to families who could raise children who were over seven feet tall and could boast an adequate jump shot. Genetic pairings a la Gattaca began occurring with great frequency.
Russian figure skating is banned and French judging is reserved for croissant sales. The Olympics are held in America, yet again in tribute to the greatest country in the world (just not in soccer—an insult that America tries to diffuse by claiming soccer isn't a real sport).

It's a mixed up crazy world seven years from now. By that time, I've been awarded a Ph.D., the Middle East is referred to as "Far America," the Democrats hold about seven seats total in both houses of Congress, "dogs and cats living together, MASS HYSTERIA!!" … I couldn't tell you what major league sports will look like in seven years, but I can tell you this much, at least Anna Kournikova will still be an abysmal tennis player. Take comfort in this.
Bucknell, you've been a great audience. GOOD NIGHT, MIAMI!!!

Fast Facts: Turretman
This merry little blockhead is actually a picture from the first piece of hate mail I received. After printing an article about sportsmanship, referring specifically to someone jumping on another person's back during a basketball game, claiming he had no control over his body and was shouting like he had Tourette's.
A few days later, I received this image through campus mail. A copy-editing mistake (grumble, grumble) let my faux pas slip through and instead of "Tourette's," it read "turrets." The letter cleverly picked up on this and the accompanying picture conveniently demonstrated what a student suffering from "turrets" syndrome might look like.
This image was printed with the rest of my articles for the semester and provided countless hours of entertainment at my laughable gaff.

Best of the NFL predictions

That's right. For those of you who remember, once upon a time I was asked to write predictions for the 2001-2 NFL season. I never took my position seriously and was never asked to return but that doesn't mean there weren't a few sparkling word-gems.

Sept. 14, 2001
Cleveland at Pittsburgh
In the battle for last, I take Cleveland to lose because I like the color black better than brown. Anyone else noticed that the Cleveland Browns wear orange helmets? Why? If you're going to call them the "Browns" you might as well be consistent. Or maybe while picking the colors for the helmet the guy forgot to check the crayon box to double check his work. Maybe that's what's wrong with the team, everyone's looking to pass to the guy in brown and all they see is orange and they have no idea what to do.

Sept. 21, 2001
Tennessee at Jacksonville
Did you know that King Edward II of England decreed that the inch was to be equal to three barleycorns end to end? That has no relevance to the game, but somehow it's more interesting.

Sept. 28, 2001
Miami at St. Louis
I've enjoyed Miami ever since Dan Marino left and I've been disappointed with St. Louis ever since Trent Green left. I choose St. Louis anyway because you all thought I would choose Miami and I'm a loose cannon, you never know what I'm gonna do.

Oct. 5, 2001
Washington (0-3) at New York Giants (2-1)
[Tiki] Barber is as frail as Calista Flockhart and [Ron] Dayne is as big-boned as Cartman. Put them together and what do you get? One fat slow guy and one fast skinny guy. It's like "Of Mice and Men," only they're both idiots. Still Amani Toomer's name reminds me of Schwarzenegger saying, "It's not a tumor" in "Kindergarten Cop," a delightful action/comedy that reminded us all about the eccentricities of life, and warned us all that "It's a jungle gym out there."

Oct. 12, 2001
Baltimore (3-1) at Green Bay (3-1)
How exactly do you spell Brett's last name? It's spelled Favre but pronounced Farve. Way to give your child an identity complex. I suppose it's better than my plan to name my child Tom but spell it B-O-B. I pick Green Bay but I'm going to spell it B-A-L-T-I-M-O-R-E S-U-C-K-S.

Nov. 2, 2001
Denver (4-3) at Oakland (5-1)
Rich Gannon is the most overrated underrated quarterback. If he is so underrated then why is it that every week I hear people singing his praises? Sounds to me like he's evening out on the ole rating scale. Besides, it's not difficult to throw passes to Jerry Rice and Tim Brown. If the ball doesn't get caught in their wrinkles they can always have their orderlies catch the ball, peel off the skin, mash the ball up into a pasty goo and spoon feed them.

Nov. 16, 2001
New York Giants (5-4) at Minnesota (3-5)
Daunte Culpepper is a machine. He is artificial intelligence in motion. Living proof of the successes of the technological era that we live in. You couldn't take this man down if you wanted to. Luckily for his opponents, he's American-made and has a shelf life equal to his one-year warranty. [How right I was.]

Nov. 30, 2001
Detroit (0-10) at Chicago (8-2)
Hmm, working hypothesis: Soft Batch cookies = great. Charlie Batch quarterback = bad. If you were to combine them to make "Soft Charlie Cookieback" you would have a string of words that were utterly nonsensical and useless. Never mind, that didn't work. Umm, how about this … do you think Chicago will beat Detroit? You Batch-a. That was bad too. Yet still better than the Lions.

Dec. 7, 2001
New York Jets (7-4) at Pittsburgh (9-2)
Ah. The Steelers without the Bus. Oh how I've longed to see this moment. Will Kordell shine in the ultimate test of his skill? As much as I'd hate to put my foot in my mouth (aside from the orthodontic repercussions), Kordell Stewart has forever been, is now and will forever be a worthless bungler, a trogloditic leader and an unholy succubus of skill and experience where time and talent have no meaning and the dark lord Lucifer rides upon a chariot of damnable hell-fire. With that said, *I'll probably have to take the Jets.*

Fast Facts:
This brilliant display of artwork is a piece done by the maestro himself during a boring editorial meeting when "el jefe" wouldn't shut up about unproductive meetings. This masterpiece subsequently became the infamous work of art now associated the world over with "Me like sportz."

Best of "Me like sportz" 2002-03

Dec. 16, 2002
On hunting for sport
Moving as quietly as you can past roots and fallen branches, caring not to stumble, you realize it's colder than you thought. A gust of wind welcomes you to the open area surrounding the pond. Ducking your head to the water, you lap your tongue, creating ripples that collide with the ones the wind blows. It's a good day.
BLAM! Your skull collapses as the Homady 139 grain boattail spire point bullet from the 7mm Remington Magnum hunting rifle plows through your cranium. Your four legs trumple under your body and you think and feel no more. You are a deer and today starts hunting season. Welcome to America, better wear a cup cause we play hardball:

Oct. 4, 2002
On baseball playoffs
Atlanta really is the perfect foil for the Yankees. Like Richelieu and Louis XIII, Space Ghost and Zorak or George Bush and a dictionary, George Steinbrenner has Ted Turner nipping at his heels. Steinbrenner probably has Turner's portrait hung over his wall as a reminder of what he can never become. Turner and his Atlanta Braves are living proof that success without rings is not exciting. Atlanta has won 10 division titles in a row but only one ring in that stretch. Where's the enthusiastic support for them? Out tailgating because the flames licking up the side of a Dodge Stratus is more exciting than anything going on in the stadium.

Nov. 8, 2002
On the Kurt Warner Mark Bulger quarterback controversy
Let the boy play. Let him throw an interception and let him live and laugh and love. Let him grow jaundice and weary with the rigors of professional athletics. Let him grow a beard and let him watch Saturday morning cartoons with a bowl of Crispy Hexagons at the training compound. Let him weep and worry and wallow in every negative article written about his performance. Let him effuse and exalt and effervesce with the joy of every autograph he signs. Let him crash his jeep into trees and pull teammates from burning buildings. For the love of god, let the boy play.

Nov. 1, 2002
On children in the dugout at the World Series
What is this bourgeoisie culture these people want to graft onto America's proletariat pastime? First it was their hairstyles that felled Jason Giambi's auburn tresses as Steinbrenner demanded his team look clean-cut. Then they went after the uniforms; no more baggy shirts or ripped pants or dirty hats. Sorry guys, you'll have to send the batboys out to do laundry during the seventh inning stretch or you won't be allowed to take the field. Now they're attacking kids in the dugout.

Sept. 13, 2002
On commentators
It's a wonder that these commentators are less prone to homicide than federal postal workers. Imagine being locked up in a 15-by-10-foot booth with one other person for 81 days a year—he's supposed to be the "funny one," yet the only one laughing is the janitor Meelos who is also in charge of replenishing your free ballpark hot dogs, by the third inning your sidekick is getting edgy, not to mention he's two caffeinated drinks past being legally allowed to operate heavy machinery, but still licensed to drive a Manhattan taxi; he's been spouting nonsensical statistics like the name of the guy who caught six fly balls in a row in a night game back in 19 aught two, and you're both hooked up to microphones that are reaching 50,000 viewers who aren't listening to a word you say because they've all turned the volume down on the television to blast the new Bruce album. Now tell me you're gonna look around your own 150 square feet of Dante's seventh concentric circle and say, "You know, I don't think I want to kill anybody today."

Sept. 6, 2002
On baseball's imminent strike
As for the rhetoric from players and owners and commissioners about "doing what's best for baseball," you can stick that in a sack. If you keep saying that you'd do anything for the sport you cherish, then how is it I have to fork over my firstborn to get some stadium Skittles: Taste the rainbow of bitterness.
Players, stop whining about your contracts. Your average salary has risen from $1.2 million to $2.4 million since 1994. Meanwhile, the wage necessary to live increased from $17,000 to $21,000 in that same time period. I never want to hear you speak about money again.

Feb. 21, 2002
Sport, not a sport
Sport—computer video game athletic simulations (i.e. "Madden," "NBA Live")
Just because you sit on your couch, munching puffed Cheez Doodles, chugging Mountain Dew Code Red at 4 in the morning, neglecting personal hygiene, living creatures and the appalling stench emanating from your unwashed body as something out of an epileptic flashback makes you briefly ponder what you're doing in your parents' living room at 29 just before the live-action cut scene fades into the main menu and your bloodshot, arid eyeballs look to each individual oxygen atom, hoping that just one may possess a loose hydrogen like a molecular oasis, doesn't mean that you're not playing a sport. I forgot what my point was, but it's a sport. Now I have to get back to the 14th year of my franchise. Jordan finally retired, but not until 2011.

April 4, 2003
On fantasy baseballers …
These unfortunate Faustian sycophants stop at nothing to acquire a healthy balance of sure-fire vets and non-risky rookies. Outside of the cyber world, these people take fashion advice from Kenny (not G) and relationship advice from Miss Cleo. For all their knowledge of windows, it's surprising how little they must look out them.
So if you're not in the circle and happen to come across a lazy-eyed, hooded, bespectacled doughboy staring through a loop at the Dodgers' box scores in the *Times* on a Monday afternoon, understand that he is that thing that you smell, and that he probably hasn't spoken to people outside of the virtual message postings in three years … and I'm single too.

Oct. 18, 2002
On Barry Bonds
If I were Sigmund Freud, I would say that Barry possesses a latent homosexual desire and a phallic obsession. Not only with commentary that allows one to put "good wood on the ball" or "stroke one long," the bat is a symbol for Barry's little "bonds," and he feels it is the only tool he possesses to acquire power over others. As Teddy Roosevelt said, "Speak softly and carry a big stick and you will go far." For Barry, one out of two ain't bad.
If I were William Shakespeare, I would say, "Spit, yon further friend of Cali be, but live no more to play as thee. Thy glory fleeting, thy candles wrought, for Anaheim's sake, may your bats be rot."
If I were James Joyce, I would say, "Bonds. Clever Irishman. Bat like a raging polygamist swamp-sow cracking nightmares into oceans. Pac Bell. A park on the water. Under. Tow. I gurgle thinking of my dead mother. Usurpation? Nay. Kidneys and domination."
If I were Bob Costas, I would say Barry Bonds reminds me of a very young Joe "Ducky" Medwick. You know, funny story about Ducky … what? What do you mean no one wants to hear my lame stories? But I broadcasted the Olympics.
If I were Albert Camus, I must imagine Barry is happy.

Sports

Softball looks to turn around rough season

By Michelle Martin
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The softball team dropped four of its last six contests to drop to 8-27 overall and 3-10 in the Patriot League.

The Bison lost 5-3 and 9-0 to Lehigh at home on Sunday. They could not get a hit off of the opposing pitcher in the 9-0, five-inning loss.

Earlier in the day, Bucknell got on the scoreboard first with two runs in the first inning. Meredith Gill '03 reached base on a double and scored when Kris Devore '06 smashed a two-out triple. Devore crossed the plate on a

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Jill Pompeii '05 fields a ball hit to the outfield. Pompeii has been a staple of the team's defense.

a Jenna Fitch '04 RBI single.

The Mountain Hawks answered right back in the second inning to knot the game at 2. The Bison tacked on another run to go up 3-2 in their half of the frame. Jennifer Ross '06 led off the inning with a double and advanced to third on junior Kristen Potts' sacrifice bunt before scoring on a wild pitch.

Lehigh took the definitive lead in the top of the third inning on a two-run double. Neither squad scored again in the contest to give Bucknell the 5-3 loss. Hurler Kelli Haskins '05 went the distance for the Bison while striking out four.

Bucknell was shut out in the first two games of the series 10-0 and 4-0.

In the nightcap, Lehigh scored a run in the first inning. The Bison threatened in their half of the second with singles from Devore and Fitch, but could not capitalize.

The Mountain Hawks tacked on another run on four hits in the top of the third, and only allowed four Bison baserunners from the third to the sixth innings.

Bucknell again came close to scoring when Ross drew a base-on-balls and Jill Pompeii '05 reached on a single to put runners on first and second. A double play ended the Bison threat and the game, with Lehigh taking the contest 4-0.

Bucknell lost 10-0 in six innings in the first game of the day. Lehigh got on board with two runs on four straight singles in the first inning.

Lauren Wible '06 broke the Lehigh pitcher's no-hitter in the bottom of the fifth with a single to right center. Devore singled to the left side before Alyssa Schneebaum '06 laid down a sacrifice bunt to send the runners to second and third with only one out. The next two batters got out to leave Lehigh unscathed.

The Mountain Hawks scored three runs on three Bison miscues in the top of the sixth to go up 10-0. The Bison got two runners on in the second half of the frame, but made nothing of the opportunity.

Bucknell registered two shutouts of its own on April 16 over visiting George Washington.

In the nightcap of the doubleheader, the Bison walked away with an 8-0 win after five innings. They got on the board with three runs in the second inning. Wible and Ross both drew walks and advanced on a passed ball. Schneebaum ripped a RBI single to left to score Wible. Ross also scored on a GW error at the plate. Schneebaum came in on a wild pitch.

The Bison tacked on two more runs each in the third and fourth innings to stake out a 7-0 lead. One more run was tacked on when Gill singled to start the fifth and scored on a Potts double to end the game due to the eight-run rule. Julie Williams '06 pitched four innings, allowing only one walk while fanning five. Kim Grunwald '06 made her first pitching appearance of the season in the fifth inning and struck out one.

Lauren Box '03 pitched a two-hit shutout earlier in the day as the Bison won 7-0. They scored first in the bottom of the third on three hits and two Colonial errors. Angela Stackhouse '04 nailed a two-out single to left field. Wible followed with a single to right and advanced to third on an error. Stackhouse scored on the error. Wible crossed the plate on a Devore RBI single up the middle.

The Orange and Blue scored the rest of their runs in the bottom of the sixth. Devore led off with a double and scored on a Ross single. Christina Gilbert '06 drew a two-out walk and Pompeii reached base on a single. Gilbert scored when Gill doubled down the left field line, and Pompeii reached home when Potts hit a RBI single. Stackhouse drew a base-on-balls to load the bases, and a wild pitch advanced all three runners, bringing Gill in. Potts scored on another GW wild pitch. Box sat down all three batters she faced in the seventh to preserve the shutout.

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Jill Pompeii '05 knocks out a single to put runners on first and second in a recent game against Lehigh. The Bison could not capitalize on the hit.

Head Coach Janelle Breneman was pleased with the team's play.

"We played really well against GW. We played solid defense, only committing one error on the day," Breneman said.

She also commended Gill, Devore and Schneebaum on their offense during the two games. Gill went three for six on the day. Devore ripped a double and a RBI single in the first game, and Schneebaum had a RBI single in the nightcap.

With the end of the season rapidly approaching, it is nearly time to say goodbye to another group of seniors. The Bison will be losing Box, Gill and Brandi Porter.

> *"Being a student-athlete is a unique college experience because from the moment you arrive on campus you're part of something. You have a group of people who are willing to support and help you, and that's really made all the difference for me."*
> ***—Brandi Porter '03***

Box has been the No. 2 pitcher for the Bison for the past three years. In her junior campaign, she started in all but five of the games that she appeared in and had a career-best 11 complete games.

She pitched only one wild pitch during her entire sophomore season while tossing nine complete games, and pitched Bucknell's only win in the Patriot League Tournament in her first year.

Gill is also concluding an impressive four-year career. She has been one of the leading hitters throughout her career. She led the team in scoring as a junior, slugged a team-high and Patriot League second-high eight triples as a sophomore and snatched the five spot on Bucknell's top 10 all-time list for doubles in a season as a rookie.

Porter has been the Orange and Blue's pitching ace. She broke her own season strikeout record in her junior campaign with 104 strikeouts, after taking the Bucknell record the first time as a sophomore. She was named to the Patriot League second team twice and was MVP for the Bison in her rookie year.

Softball has been a huge part of all three student-athlete's growth in the last four years. Between becoming team leaders, making lasting friendships and excelling in the academics here, their experiences and lessons here will not be easily forgotten.

"I've … learned a lot about time management from trying to balance school work and my athletic schedule. I've also formed some invaluable friendships which I plan to continue after I leave," Box said.

Porter described the advantages of being a student-athlete.

"Being a student athlete is a unique college experience because from the moment you arrive on campus you're part of something. You have a group of people who are willing to support and help you, and I think that's really made all the difference for me," Porter said.

All three have impressive plans for their post-Commencement lives. Box has taken a job as a financial analyst for Campbell Soup and Gill has an accounting job lined up. Porter will be interning at Merck for the summer before starting a Ph.D. program in chemistry at the University of Pennsylvania.

Track gives all at five-way but comes up short

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by the second and third place finishes of Rachel Tutmaher '06 and Alison Cole '06. The Bison also got a win from Kiley MacDonald '05 in the 400-meter hurdles.

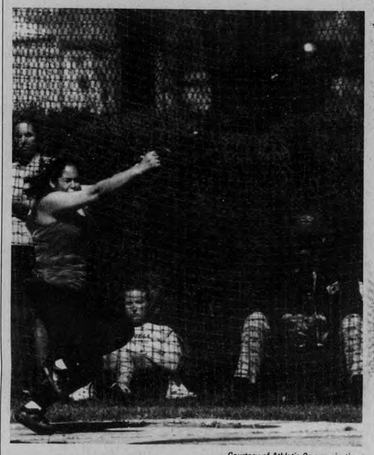
Other Bison of note included second-place finishes by Jen Marsh '05, Robin Meling '04 and Jamie Gow '06 in the 1,500-meter, long jump and 3,000-meter steeplechase, respectively. Gow led a two through six place effort by Bucknell in the steeplechase.

The women also got help from volleyball star Brandi Trapasso '04, who tied for second in the high jump. In her first season of track since high school, Trapasso has become the Bison's top high jumper.

Brady was very happy with performances of the women.

"I think the women's team looked great this weekend. Everyone got out there and competed, and that's what Coach wants us to do. All of us are right on track for competing at leagues," Brady said.

The Bison now begin preparations for the Patriot League meet in two weeks. A portion of the team will be getting a last chance to tune up at the College of New Jersey this weekend, another portion will be resting, while a third portion will be competing in the Penn Relays between Thursday and Saturday of this week.



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Maria Garcia '04 helped the effort by throwing a huge school record to win the hammer (180-11). Garcia, already an NCAA regional qualifier, improved her best by over eight feet.

Women's tennis clinches Patriot League playoff berth

By Pat Evans
Sports Editor

The Bison women's tennis team secured a Patriot League Playoff berth with a win over Lehigh 4-1. The team earned the fourth and final spot in the tournament and will face off against No. 1-seeded Army at 10 a.m. tomorrow.

The Mountain Hawks, who entered the match in the same must-win situation as the Orange and Blue, came out strong in doubles play. Their number three tandem made quick work of Bison's Samantha Berthod '03 and Rheanna Gaskin '03 in an 8-2 win.

It appeared as if Lehigh was going to win the doubles point, with both one and two doubles teams leading the Bison at one point. The number one duo of Veronica Brown '06 and Nadezda Curcic '05 refused to go down, winning five straight games after trailing 6-3 to win 8-6. Tanya Sichko '05 and Jill Wurzburg '03 made a similar move, coming back from a 5-3 deficit to win 8-5 at the third flight, and secure the doubles point.

Lehigh got on the board with a win 6-0, 6-2 win over Curcic at number one, but that was as close as the Mountain Hawks would get.

Brown handled her opponent in a 6-4, 6-1 second flight win, while Wurzburg earned a 6-4, 6-1 win at number three to finish the regular-season of her final year as a dual winner.

Sichko secured the match with a 6-1, 6-2 victory at number four. The five and six singles bouts were not finished because the Bison had already won the match.

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Veronica Brown '06 returns a backhand in a recent match. Brown and partner Nadezda Curcic '05 refused to go down against Lehigh, winning five straight games after trailing 6-3 to win 8-6.

Bison control own destiny in the Patriot League

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fortable in the fourth, as the Bison tacked on another pair of runs.A Phil Bunting '04 single, a Steve Stutzman '04 double, a Stoll single and an Army error allowed the Bison to pick up a 6-0 lead.

The squad did more damage in the fifth, plating three runs. Krentzman was hit by a pitch again, and an error and a balk put Walter and Krentzman on second and third, respectively, before Matt Capece '06 scored Krentzman with a single. After Bunting was hit by a pitch, Stoll scored Walter with a sacrifice fly. A Moss single and a walk to Day sent Capece home to score the ninth and final run of the rout.

Army broke up Allen's no-hitter in the sixth, but Allen thwarted the Black Knights efforts for the rest of the game and closed out the seventh with a pair of strikeouts and ground out.

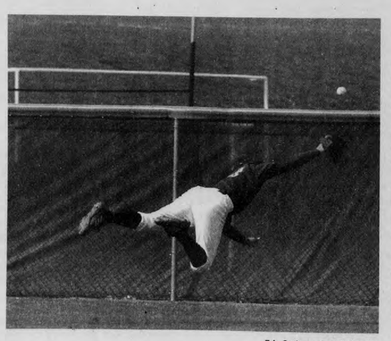
His performance, along with the outstanding team effort, provided a defining game for the team.

"We got an incredible outing from Zach," Ciccione said. "Our offense started clicking, and our defense played well."

Grant was impressed with the game as well.

"Zach Allen threw a gem on Sunday and we were able to have an offensive explosion," Grant said.

The second game of the day saw the Bison jump out to a 3-0 lead, but the Bison were unable to hang on after a ferocious Army rally in the final two innings of the game. The Bison were tenacious all day, but Army secured a win with a three-run homer in the seventh.



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Kyle Walter '06 makes a valiant effort to catch a ball hit deep to center field. Walter didn't make the catch, but got a glove on the ball, knocking it down and throwing it in to hold the Army batter to a double.

"We were beaten in game four by a relentless effort by Army," Depew said. "They really competed to the very end and I give them a lot of credit for their performance."

Futrick entered the game looking for his record-breaking 10th save, but gave up three runs with two outs in the seventh inning to take his first loss.

Ciccione isn't worried about Futrick's ability to bounce back.

"He is a tough kid and will respond well," Ciccione said. "I have all the confidence in the world in him and he'll be out there soon to get that record."

Co-captain Zach Allen '03 said that despite the loss, the Bison came out of the weekend with a lot of positives.

"We played tough and competed in all four games," Allen said. "The game we lost should serve as a lesson for us and help us put teams away in the future."

The Bison will try to clinch the division title when they face Lafayette on April 26 and 27. The four-game series takes place at home and starts at noon on both days.

"We are geared up for Lafayette knowing that if we take three of four we will be crowned conference champs, bringing the Patriot League tournament to our house," Burns said.

Grant also said that it will be an intense series.

"Every game against Lafayette has serious postseason implications," Grant said. We're going to treat this weekend like the first round of the playoffs."

Ciccione is not worried about the team's ability to get things done against Lafayette.

"We control our own destiny and I am confident that we will go out and clinch the home-field advantage for the playoffs this weekend," Ciccione said.

Coach of the Year

Bison swimmers sweep Patriot League Championships

After bringing Patriot League titles to both the men's and women's swim team for the first time in University history, *The Bucknellian* awards Head Coach Jerry Foley the Coach of the Year

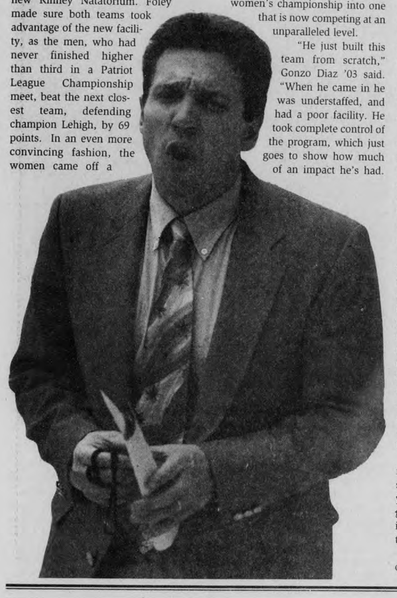
By Pat Evans
Sports Editor

In the most monumental season in the University swimming program's history, the Bison men and women swept the Patriot League Championship titles in dominating fashion this year. For the feat, Head Coach Jerry Foley, who joined the University five years ago, deservingly won Patriot League Coach of the Year for both the men's and women's swimming and diving teams.

For the first time since 1969 the University held a swimming championship, which took place in the brand new Kinney Natatorium. Foley made sure both teams took advantage of the new facility, as the men, who had never finished higher than third in a Patriot League Championship meet, beat the next closest team, defending champion Lehigh, by 69 points. In an even more convincing fashion, the women came off a never before accomplished undefeated dual meet season, propelling them to a win by more than 237 points over Navy, the defending Patriot League champions and second-place finisher this year.

The accomplishment of both teams winning their respective championships is something that no other University has been able to do in the history of the Patriot League. The recent success involved a process that began long before the beginning of this season. Five years ago, Foley was hired as head coach and started the transformation of a program that hadn't ever experienced a men's or women's championship into one that is now competing at an unparalleled level.

"He just built this team from scratch," Gonzo Diaz '03 said. "When he came in he was understaffed, and had a poor facility. He took complete control of the program, which just goes to show how much of an impact he's had. When he made the team his, that's when we got the championships."



Foley's first task when he came to the University was to recruit what is now this year's seniors, a group of athletes that bought into Foley's coaching style and have helped take the program to where it is today. On the women's side Rebecca Dolan '03, Darby Golino '03 and Lauren Mosler '03 will graduate. Dolan won several events in the 200-meter fly throughout the year and contributed to the 800-meter free relay. Golino set the University record in the 200 back in the final day of championships.

The men were led by Michael Guskey '03, Diaz, Chris Feinthel '03, Geoffrey Konopka '03, Kurt McCoy '03, Stelios Saffos '03 and Stephen Schwanhausser '03. Guskey won several 50-meter and 100-meter breast events, while contributing to the 400-meter medley relay that broke the University record, and Feinthel placed all year long in backstroke events.

"The preparation for this year's success started five years ago when I recruited that class," Foley said. "Championship teams are made by senior leadership, and we had that this year across the board, which made a huge difference. They've also been nicely complemented by some talented young athletes along the way."

By adhering to a rigorous off-season workout program that included weight training and practices, the men's and women's teams knew from the beginning that their dedication this year would pay off and could turn into something special. Foley has coached swimming for 17 years and 12 at the collegiate level and understands the importance of having disciplined swimmers. With the help of a devoted senior class, Foley made sure that every team member was committed to the winning attitude that he insisted they have.

"The biggest thing Foley has done is that he's implemented rules and stuck to them. It hasn't mattered if you're the fastest guy or the slowest guy, the rules have applied. There was integrity to that, and we bought into it this year," Chris Feinthel said.

Foley also stresses the importance of technique during practice, which was a determining factor in improving times among the swimmers throughout the season. In a sport in which winners can be separated from losers by even fractions of a second, a good coach that knows how to teach speed is critical.

"My times have already improved a lot. He's made a huge impact not just on me, but also on the rest of the swimmers he coaches, and it shows through the results," Jackie Feinthel '05 said.

As both teams started their final phases of transformation from mediocrity to a championship-caliber level, so too was the facility in which they swam being built into something monumental. In the fall the teams practiced in Freas-Rooke Pool, until one day they made history by entering the new Olympic-size Kinney Natatorium at 6 a.m. for practice. Although they could only dream of it at the time, this would be the site where even more history would unravel, as both teams would go on to break several University records and set the ultimate accomplishment of sweeping the Patriot League Championships.

"We were fortunate that as we went along, we received the right amount of support from the University," Foley said. "The facility was the final piece for our program in bringing it to this level and beyond. Not just the pool, but the new varsity weight room, which the athletes understand and appreciate the importance of."

As with all great season the teams did have to overcome some adversity in their quest to take full advantage of the opportunities that this year presented.

While the women's team steamrolled through its competition, going 7-0 in the regular season, the men dropped two meets around the middle of the season to league foes Army and American. The Bison men knew that they would have a chance to face these teams again in championships, and that if they worked under Foley's plan they could improve enough to get revenge.

After the final regular season win over defending Patriot League Champions Lehigh, the men had a feeling that they could take the confidence they gained from the win into the tournament and pull it out. Through Foley's coaching, the team's times improved enough to win the championship.

"*It's one thing to talk about it, it's another to have what it takes to go out there and do it,*" Foley said.

The seniors expected coming in to be able to compete with anyone, and when it was all said and done they finally accomplished what they set out to do after four years of hard work.

"No one says coming into a season that they won't be able to do it," Chris Feinthel said. "After the middle of the season losses we had our doubts, but we just kept gaining confidence and it eventually happened."

With the incredible season for both the men and women the program is at an all-time high, and with the experienced Foley now in full control of the future, it appears as though the Bison will continue to enjoy the same kind of success for years to come.

"I've seen a total change in the culture of this team," Foley said. "They now have a championship attitude. The classes underneath the seniors have now seen the commitment and dedication it takes to make it happen."

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Head Coach Jerry Foley started preparing for this year's success five years ago through strong recruiting and high-quality coaching.

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Rookies of the Year

Futrick ties single season Patriot League record for saves

The Bucknellian honors first-year pitcher Phil Futrick with Male Rookie of the Year

By Ainsley Maloney
Staff Writer

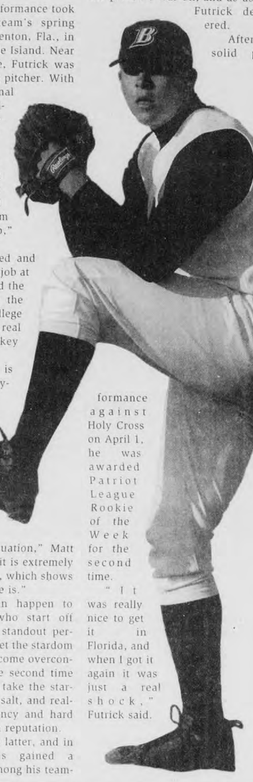
When Phil Futrick '06 made the Bison baseball team in the fall, he only had one goal: to get any amount of playing time he could possibly receive. Little did he know that his first collegiate appearance on March 17 would honor him Patriot League Rookie of the Week. Repeated solid performances would allow him to continue appearing in almost every game that followed.

Futrick's first performance took place during the team's spring training trip in Bradenton, Fla., in a game against Rhode Island. Near the end of the game, Futrick was put in as the closing pitcher. With two outs in the final inning, Futrick needed to secure the third out to win the game.

"I was a little nervous, but with the season just beginning, I knew I had to show them what I could do," Futrick said.

By staying focused and concentrating on the job at hand, Futrick secured the win, which marked the first save of his college career and his first real recognition as a key asset to the team.

"Being a closer is really tough for anybody because you have to come into the game in a tight situation," Matt Daley '04 said. "But it is extremely tough for a freshman, which shows you just how good he is."



A great deal can happen to first-year athletes who start off their season with a standout performance. They can let the stardom go to their heads, become overconfident and choke the second time around; or they can take the stardom with a grain of salt, and realize it takes consistency and hard work to really earn a reputation.

Futrick chose the latter, and in doing so, he has gained a respectable image among his teammates.

"[Futrick] has not let his success go to his head and has continued to work just as hard as he did from day one of practice in the fall," Ben Stoll '04 said. "He is very well-liked by his teammates and has earned their respect both on and off the field."

The remaining challenge was earning respect among the baseball community, and Futrick knew it would take more than one big performance to do so. Needless to say, the pressure was on, and as usual, Futrick delivered.

After a solid performance against Holy Cross on April 1, he was awarded Patriot League Rookie of the Week for the second time.

"It was really nice to get it in Florida, and when I got it again it was just a real shock," Futrick said.

Overall, Futrick has appeared in 12.1 innings and broke the Bucknell school save record with a total of seven. He then moved on to tie the Patriot League record with nine saves.

"Setting records like he was doing as a freshman gives you some kind of idea of what kind of pitcher he will mature into during his Bucknell career," Corey Nadler '04 said.

The steps he has made as a first-year student have impressed everyone. There are many difficulties that come along with adjusting to college athletics, and Futrick has made the transition seem relatively easy and painless.

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>
> *—Gene Depew, Head Coach*

"Coming out of high school where you are used to being a stud starter to a Division I college baseball program is a very tough adjustment to make," Kevin Burns '03 said. "The thing that is most impressive about Phil is that he did it in three months as opposed to three years."

Head Coach Gene Depew said he is equally as impressed with Futrick's accomplishments and the level of dependability he has allowed the team to comfortably place on him.

"[Futrick] has accomplished more as a freshmen than any other pitcher in the league," Depew said. "In almost every appearance the game is on the line and he has to produce. He has done this with exceptional composure and focus."

In fact, one of Futrick's best qualities is his ability to handle pressure from the entire team. No matter what the situation, Futrick manages to stay focused and uses any nervous energy to his advantage.

"It helps me to be nervous because me makes me play a little bit better," Futrick said. "I really just concentrate on what I have to do and try to stay focused."

Assistant Coach Rick Ciccione, who has spent a great deal of time with the pitchers, praised Futrick's ability to handle tough situations and his determination to improve his game.

"The kid is immune to pressure [and] has been an absolute workhorse for us this season," Ciccione said. "He is one of the most coachable kids we have on this team and has been a pleasure to work with."

Ciccione also said that he recognizes Futrick's ability to maintain two different temperaments on and off the field, making him both a friendly teammate as well as a competitive player.

"While he is always smiling off the field, when he takes the mound he is as fierce a competitor as I have coached," Ciccione said.

Similarly, Futrick feels that every member of the team also embodies these characteristics, and considers them the main reasons for the team's great chemistry.

"Before practice we're joking around, but once the game hits we're all focused on what we have to do," Futrick said.

It is the camaraderie and strength of the team that Futrick feels is its main asset—and also its main ticket to a Patriot League championship title. With a current undefeated Patriot League record and only one more series to go against Lafayette, the top playoff spot is in close reach. If they secure that, the championship title will be even closer.

"I'm very happy with the way the season's going so far," Futrick said. "Especially coming into the season picked to finish fifth. We knew we had the talent to do what we did, it was just up to us to go out there and play."

According to Depew, Futrick has been a key part to the team's success, and should the Bison advance to regional competition, many teammates are confident in Futrick's abilities.

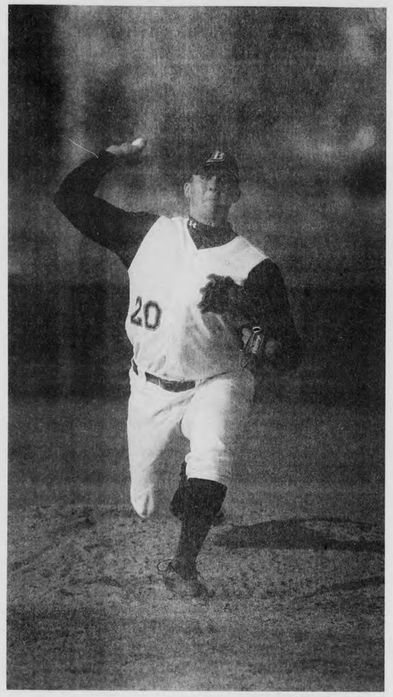
"I have never in my life had this much confidence giving the ball to another pitcher in the late innings than I do in Phil," Burns said.

Beyond this season, Futrick's expectations for the following year remain modest. With possibly all of the four starting pitchers leaving, Futrick is unsure whether the coaches will want him starting or closing as a sophomore. Whichever the case, Futrick is determined to adjust to the coaches requests as best he can.

"If he wants me to start, I have to get my arm used to throwing more than one or two innings," Futrick said. "Either way I'm going to work hard over the summer for whatever they're gonna need me to do."

No one doubts his ability to switch from closer to starter for the next season. In fact, few doubt his ability to do just about anything.

"Phil has already accomplished so many great things in his rookie season," Burns said. "With his work ethic, the sky is the limit for this kid."



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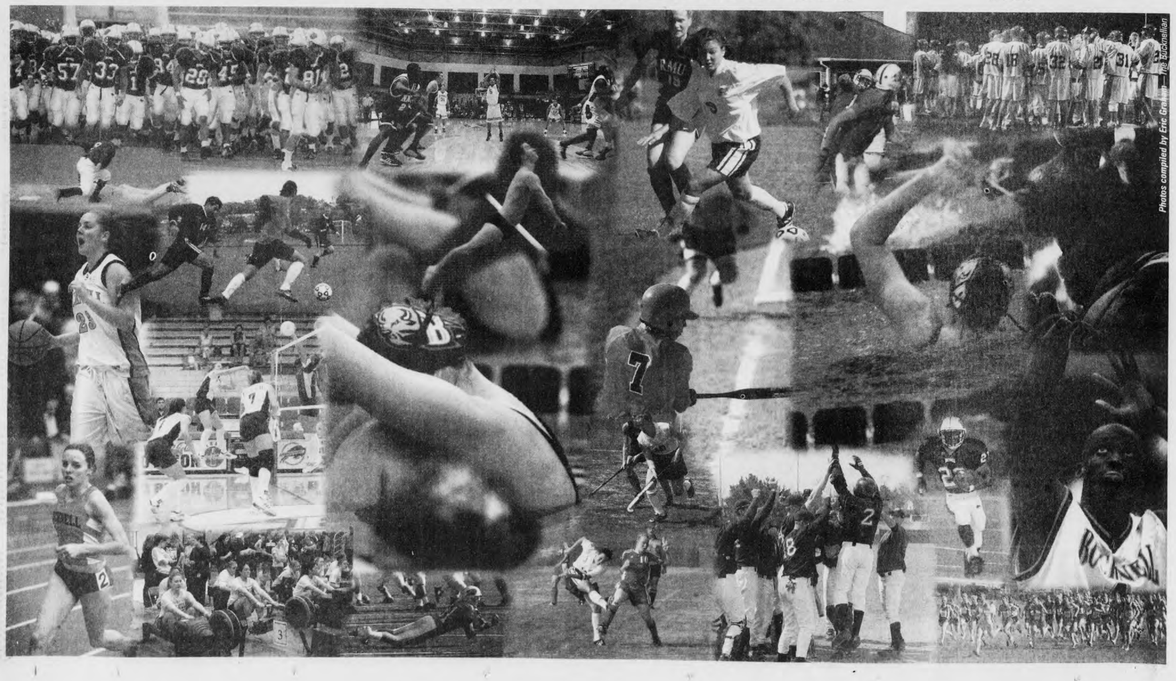
With a 2.70 ERA and nine saves so far this year, Phil Futrick '06 has quickly become a vital part of the Bison pitching staff.



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Rookies of the Year

Altman captures a pair of gold medals in Patriot League Championships

The Bucknellian awards first-year sensation Lectie Altman Female Rookie of the Year

By Stephen Schwanhausser
Staff Writer

It's 4:30 in the afternoon on a beautiful spring Tuesday. You might think after being crowned champion in the 200-yard freestyle along the way to bringing home the first women's Patriot League team title Lectie Altman '06 might be out relaxing in the sun. Think again. Champions are made of tougher stuff than that.

Lectie is known to be nothing but a passionate, dedicated athlete. As a swimmer myself, the first time I met Lectie was on her recruiting trip at Bucknell last year. I recall little about that introduction, yet was made acutely aware of her perseverance this summer when I met her at the United States Swimming Sectional Championships in Buffalo, N.Y. She had a quiet, shy way about her when I introduced myself, then she jumped in the pool. It is easier to see a person's true motivation when nobody is watching. Lectie took the summer after her senior year in high school and prepared for the upcoming season, and it most certainly paid off.

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Lectie Altman '06 receives one of her four medals in the Patriot League Championships.

A native of Syracuse, N.Y., Lectie swam for the Chargers in high school. Coming into college she was already an established athlete, having achieved national time standards.

"Lectie was one of our top recruits for the 2002-2003 season. We expected her to be a strong contributor in both the backstroke and freestyle events and an essential component to our relay teams," Head Coach Jerry Foley said.

Lectie certainly stepped into her space accordingly—the season was opened with Bucknell's inter-squad meet and Lectie got three wins in the 100 and 200 backstrokes and the 200 freestyle. Her summer training continued to pay off as the women entered their dual meet season.

Against opponent Drexel, Lectie was put in both mid-distance freestyle events, the 200 and 500, and in her first collegiate competition, brought home back-to-back golds.

At home the Bison held a Sprint Invitational in the brand new Kinney Natatorium. Surprising everyone, Lectie set a new pool record in the 100 backstroke with a time of 58.84, which is incredibly fast for such and early season meet.

"I had confidence in Lectie from the beginning, but I distinctly remember her 100 back at the invite, my faith in her ability to perform in season was sealed and being able to count on her gave me great flexibility in my lineups throughout the year," Foley said.

Foley's solid belief was not to be disappointed. The following meet was against Patriot League rivals Navy and American in a double-dual setup. Lectie had a tough race in the 200 freestyle, but came out on top with an incredible time of 1:54.87.

It was at this point in the season that the coaching staff began to realize that Lectie was not simply a mediocre freestyler and her training plan was adjusted.

"Jerry decided to split my time in the pool. I had been training exclusively in the stroke group, but he wanted to dedicate a few days a week to distance freestyle," Lectie said. "This was a huge benefit, I was able to train with new people and a different coach. Throughout my career before college I had been doing the same thing every year, the opportunity to train in new environments daily really helped me develop."

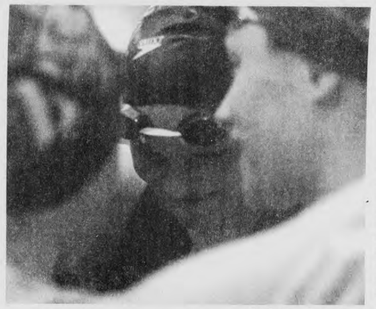
Lectie finished up the first semester season with first and second finishes against Army in the 200 free and the 500 free, respectively, and a third-place finish in the 200 backstroke at the Bucknell Invitational in December.

Over winter break the team went to Naples, Fla., for a training trip.

"Before we left everyone was talking about how hard it would be, and it was tough, but the coaches never gave us anything we couldn't handle, they took us to the edge and that was what we needed," Lectie said. "We trained long course (50 meters) in the morning which I hate, but it provided me with a really strong base which came through at the end of the year."

Training trip is a time not only for individual improvements, but for team bonding as well. I asked Lectie to sum up her year up to this point.

"The girls were all really nice at the beginning of the year, but I didn't feel close to them till after training trip. We really came together after living together and training so hard," Lectie said. "I think my class became more tightknit, but I felt like the upperclassmen were more accepting as well. Without our time in Florida, I don't think our season would have been as tremendous as it was."



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Lectie Altman '06 comes together with teammates before the final day of swimming. Altman captured two gold medals, one silver and one bronze.

As second-semester competition began with Patriot League opponent Lafayette, Lectie won the 200 backstroke and finished second in the 200 free. The following weekend was a travel meet to Colgate University.

Lectie said of her favorite in-season race, "It was the 200 backstroke—there wasn't a lot of competition, but it was someone else's pool. I don't know, the new environment or my training, it was my best time before Patriots and it just sticks out in my head."

Rightly so—Lectie touched the wall in 2:06.71 for a win with a second-place finish in the 200 free. With just one dual meet left before the championships, Foley said that Lectie began to struggle.

"She kind of hit a wall before Lehigh. I've seen this with a lot of freshman. It's a long season at that point and the pressure of championships coming weighs on them," Foley said. "I was not concerned, I knew she would swim well at the end."

For any average swimmer, two seconds and a third-place finish are hardly a wall, yet Lehigh was the only dual meet this season in which Lectie did not win an event.

As the team entered the Patriot League Championships, confidence was high and both Lectie and the team performed with style.

> *"I had confidence in Lectie from the beginning, but my faith in her ability to perform was sealed early in the season."*
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> *—Jerry Foley, head coach*

Lectie had a career-best time in the 100 backstroke when she finished in 57.84 and placed third. In the 200 backstroke it was a race to the finish with teammate and captain Darby Golino '03.

"Darby and I have a very competitive relationship. I came in on her turf and I'm not sure she really liked it, but in the end we were really able to push each other. I was incredibly pleased with my time. It was a life-time-best for me and I would never have gotten there if I hadn't had such a great race," Lectie said.

Golino finished second behind Golino in a time of 2:02.66, a best by nearly three seconds.

Lectie's crowning achievement came in the 200 freestyle. An event she had come to treasure over the season, it turned out to be the ace in her sleeve at Championships. She was pitted against teammate Jen Cancro '04, a well-known backhalf swimmer.

"After 100 yards I was ahead, but I was thinking to myself, 'I know Jen is coming, we are gonna go 1-2.' We pushed each other the last four laps and when I touched the wall and looked up at the clock I realized that we had," Lectie said.

Lectie came out of the race on top, and became Patriot League Champion. By the time the meet was over she walked away with three medals, a team title and a slot on the All-Patriot League Team.

Looking back on the season Lectie attributed her success to a new environment, new training partners and a unique training program. She was pleased with her first Patriot League win.

"It was crazy. I was really surprised and was very satisfied with my times. I hadn't been able to break my best times since sophomore year in high school and it was great to break them at Patriots," Lectie said.

Foley said he is impressed with Lectie's dedication to training.

"Lectie is an incredible trainer. She does all the work behind the scenes which leads to real success. She is a low-maintenance athlete—we are able to point her in the right direction and know she will get there. She is also so flexible, never complaining or dictating to us what she wants to do. We put her where we need her and know that she will perform," Foley said. "Perhaps best of all, she is extremely modest."

From here, Lectie is headed back in the pool, training for the summer season and her sophomore year. Lectie aims to make "B" cut standards for the NCAA Championship, which she hopes to attend while here. Her greatest challenge?

"Classes—I had to take organic chem for two semesters, and that was really hard for me. Now that's out of the way, and I can concentrate on other things," Lectie said.

Walking away from swimming and Bucknell, I am able to brag I competed with Lectie before she moved on campus. Her quiet attitude and rock solid perseverance will serve her team for years to come. Good luck, Lectie.

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Lectie Altman '06 explodes off the blocks in a dual meet against Lehigh earlier in the year. Altman won at least one event in every dual meet except for the Lehigh dual meet.

Male Athletes of the Year

The Bucknellian honors the entire Bison pitching staff with the Male Athlete of the Year award

By Cecily Cairns
Sports Editor

There's been a lot of capital punishment going on in Lewisburg lately, and it has nothing to do with the State Penitentiary. The maximum security prison doesn't even have a death row. The Bucknell baseball team, on the other hand, does.

When it comes to laying down the law on opposing batters, the Bison pitching staff will settle for nothing less than execution. The 13 pitchers refer to themselves as "Death Row," an appropriate moniker for a unit that has been simply punishing opposing offenses.

The staff's 3.53 earned-run average as of April 21 put them on top of the Patriot League's ERA rankings. Over the course of the 2003 season, that number has been as low as 3.12, which placed them 11th in NCAA Division I rankings for ERA, in the company of some of the best staffs in the country.

In addition to that outstanding statistic, the squad leads the league in wins and saves and has surrendered the fewest hits, runs and earned runs of any Patriot League team.

"Our season has been tremendous so far," co-captain Zach Allen '03 said. "I can't give enough credit to the guys for their hard work and dedication."

The team's main starting rotation of Allen, R.J. Grant '03, Kevin Burns '03 and Kevin Miller '04 have been consistent and durable, staying on the mound for 159 innings—about six innings per start—and have combined for an ERA of 3.05 through last weekend's series against Army.

Opponents can't catch a break from the bullpen, either. The pen has 13 saves to its credit, nine of which belong to sensational rookie Phil Futrick '06.

"This is the most solid and deep pitching we have had," Head Coach Gene Depew said. "Their performance has been the key to our season."

The Bison's powerful arsenal is among the league's most respected this year, but that respect hasn't come easily.

Back in February, the rest of the league had all but written off the Bison as legitimate contenders. The attention was instead focused on defending league champion Navy, who was the definitive choice to take the title again in 2003, and second-choice Army. Bucknell was shuffled near the bottom of the predicted rankings.

The voters probably assumed that the Bison would be the same 15-35 team that they were last season, a year in which the staff compiled a league-low 6.67 ERA and topped the league in hits, runs, earned runs and walks surrendered. But the team wasn't about to submit to those expectations, and the pitching staff set out to turn the reputation around.

"We knew that we had to completely change everything from last season in order to be competitive this year," Grant said.

While the rest of the league was counting them out, the Bison pitchers were grinding their way through off-season conditioning and strength training, and most importantly, doing it all as one unit.

"At the beginning of the year, the staff came together as one, and vowed to work harder and pitch better than any other staff in the league," Burns said.

The staff is easy to spot during their conditioning workouts, as they all don the same camouflage T-shirts—a sign of their dedication to sacrificing and working together in order to be contenders against gritty league opponents Army and Navy.

"We wanted to get the same type of attitude that Army and Navy have when they workout," Grant said. "Their workouts are usually the most intense of any other Patriot League team and we knew that in order to be competitive and challenge them, we had to work even harder than them. Basically it gave us the mindset to get us through each day's conditioning."

Among the key impetuses behind the success and effectiveness of the off-season and in-season training programs is the effort of Pitching Coach Rick Ciccione. Ciccione, who is in his second year of coaching, designed the workouts to give the pitchers the physical base necessary to achieve a new level of performance.

"[The success] is also a credit to pitching coach Rick Ciccione, who has done an excellent job of preparing this staff," Depew said.

The players' willingness to adhere to rigorous training and to dedicate themselves to becoming the toughest staff in the league set the stage for a vastly improved season.

To simply call this season an improvement would be an understatement, though. The Bison pitchers haven't just been respectable; they've maintained a stranglehold on the teams that were supposed to blow them out of the water in the standings.

"We knew when the season began that we had a deep and more than talented pitching staff, but in no way could I have foreseen what this staff has accomplished," Burns said.

Pitching has become the staple for the Bison, a team that is now staring down a Patriot League title and serious playoff expectations.

"Coming into this year we knew that our staff would be the strength of this team, but for them to have been this outstanding consistently is better than anyone could have dreamt," Ciccione said.

The Bison's explosive start was delayed several times by a barrage of unseasonal weather—the first 10 games of the year were canceled—but the hurlers took it in stride, waiting until spring training to kick off their breakout season.

The Bison swept Bloomsberg and Lehigh in their first homestand of the year before heading out on a road trip that saw the pitchers make a strong statement in the Patriot League. In series against Holy Cross, Lehigh and highly-touted Navy, the Bison starters earned nine wins and the bullpen converted eight of eight save opportunities.

The squad then returned to Lewisburg, where they took two of four from Army, staying on track to secure homefield advantage for the playoffs.

The starting four have notched six complete games, including complete game shutouts by Miller and Allen.

With the efficiency of the starters, the bullpen has been more idle than in past years, especially with midweek games getting canceled as the season went on.

"As a reliever it is nice to be able to sit back and watch the starters dominate," Cory Nadler '05 said. "A reliever is just there in case they are needed, and it is nice when we are not needed—that means that the team is doing well."

Despite the somewhat limited use of the bullpen, the relievers have managed to add plenty of highlights of their own to the season.

Futrick tied a Patriot League record for saves and was eighth in the nation in that category after April 13, while Matt Daley '05 has brought home three saves for the team. Lefties Tim Peacock '05 and Nadler have been assets as well.

Although many of the team's future arms weren't getting a chance at valuable game experiences until a couple weeks ago, the staff's patience and maturity has kept the team's unity from suffering.

"They understand that it is a selfless attitude that has gotten us to this point, and it is that attitude that will hopefully get us back to the dance," Ciccione said.

Recent midweek games have given more members of the staff a chance to log innings, as Nadler, Nick Yaeger '05, Eric Steinbach '05, Jon Black '06, Marc Cussatt '06 and Jacob Moss '06 have all gotten in work during games again Duquesne and Penn State.

Regardless of who starts or pitches the most innings, the staff functions as a group of equals, rather than as individuals.

"It doesn't matter if you're the first guy in the rotation or the last guy off the bench, we're a staff of 13, not four," Grant said. "There is no special treatment, and if you want to be a part of the staff, you have to work as hard as the next guy, no matter what."

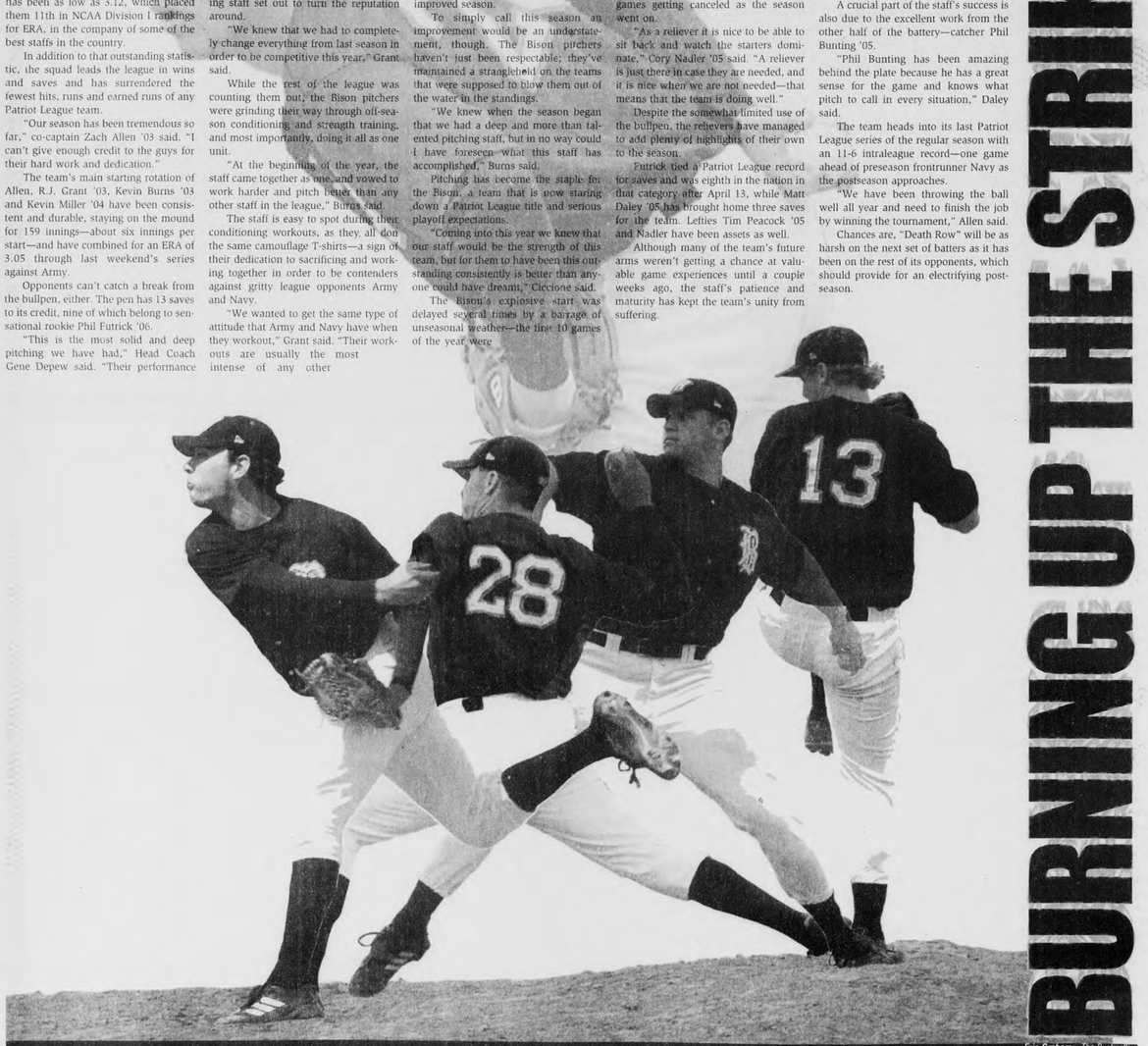
A crucial part of the staff's success is also due to the excellent work from the other half of the battery—catcher Phil Bunting '05.

"Phil Bunting has been amazing behind the plate because he has a great sense for the game and knows what pitch to call in every situation," Daley said.

The team heads into its last Patriot League series of the regular season with an 11-6 intraleague record—one game ahead of preseason frontrunner Navy as the postseason approaches.

"We have been throwing the ball well all year and need to finish the job by winning the tournament," Allen said.

Chances are, "Death Row" will be as harsh on the next set of batters as it has been on the rest of its opponents, which should provide for an electrifying postseason.



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Team statistics through April 21: 3.53 ERA 20 wins 13 saves 229.1 innings pitched 123 runs 90 earned runs 165 strikeouts 1.33 WHIP ratio

Against Patriot League teams: 11 wins 3.00 ERA 80 strikeouts 94 hits 35 earned runs 6.86 strikeouts per 9 innings 3 shutouts

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Above: Prague city view from Hrasky. Prague was Ramakrishna's favorite place that he visited, thanks to its beautiful architecture. Below: Ramakrishna cooked Thanksgiving dinner for his fellow Americans at Queen Mary College, including turkey, homemade cranberry sauce and pumpkin pie.

Abroad in London, England

By Ashwin Ramakrishna
Contributing Writer

Rich in the country's history, London has been the main city of England for countless years. The city of London, while only a square mile in size, encompasses some of the greatest wealth and culture in the world. Just walking about the streets I found myself thinking back to the dynasties of the Tudors, Stuarts and the Georgians. This city was so rich in history that could be seen everywhere. The Tower of London, Westminster Abbey and the Monument to the Halls of Parliament all were awaiting my exploration. It was almost like I was a tourist for the duration of a semester, not a student.

I arrived in London's Heathrow Airport at a painful 6 a.m. from my transatlantic flight out of JFK. We had been told to get sleep on the plane so that we could try and acquaint ourselves with Greenwich Mean Time, but of course I slept for the total of maybe an hour. As Adrienne Freidi '04 and Jenn Onka '04 may tell you, that was a mistake.

Arriving in Heathrow early in the morning, being forced in a huge line for immigration and customs and then figuring out where and whom we had to meet was not an easy task. Nonetheless it allowed for time to met, compiain with and get to know other students, since we had all flown in on the grop flight.

The first two weeks consisted of an orientation, serviced by our host Arcadia University Program, which allowed us to better acquaint ourselves with those attending Queen Mary College. As the semester progressed, I made a very close group of friends to share in the fun and splendor of London as well as Europe: Brie Riemer, Nora McIntire, Shawn Brady, Jannah Cornell and Frank Harrell.

My experiences within London were eclectic, from night walks along the river Thames with Brie, attending a House of Commons debate over U.N. Resolution 1441, laughing on the beefeater tour at the Tower of London, seeing the sword that knighted my great-grandfather in Buckingham Palace and enjoying the hit musical "Chicago" on stage.

While I will never forget those experiences, one of my most memorable experiences was the Thanksgiving that my friends and I shared. Throughout the week I had been walking all over the city going into areas that I had not previously visited, all in search of a few key ingredients for Thanksgiving dinner—the canned pumpkin for pie, the fresh cranberries for homemade cranberry sauce and, of course, the perfect turkey.

Although it was a very strenuous and taxing time for me, I was incredibly

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Town Arts Festival: coming to a Market Street near you

With art exhibits and hands-on workshops, the festival showcases local talents

By Kristi Johnston
Senior Writer

The 34th annual Lewisburg Arts Festival is taking place this week, highlighting local artists and community groups. Running today through May 4, the festival's theme is "Through a Child's Eyes."

Featured artist Catherine D. Hafer, who provided the piece from which the theme was adapted, will present an exhibit until May 3 in the Faustina Gallery on Market Street.

"Each year we feature a local artist for the festival," Lewisburg Arts Council President Grace Mahon said. "The artist gives us a focal point from which to come up with a theme. This year, that artist was Cathy Hafer."

According to the Arts Council's schedule of events, "Her style is the result of many years of refining her drawing skills, combined with the expressive use of color, to capture, not only the physical characteristics of the subject but also the feelings associated with each work, creating a truly complete representation of the artist's intention for the piece."

Throughout the week, the Arts Council is sponsoring several hands-on workshops to kick off the festivities. The Highlands Pub is hosting a culinary workshop, "Soups Made with Beer" Monday. Maggie Belisle is hosting "Fools Like Me," a poetry workshop focused on the "celebration of words," Tuesday. Wednesday's workshops include a class on clay building taught by Eileen Keefer, as well as a session on framing techniques taught by Hafer. On Thursday, the workshop series will conclude with a piñata-making class in honor of Cinco de Mayo.

Tomorrow marks the highlight of the Arts Festival. In the morning, community members are invited to a pancake breakfast sponsored by the Lewisburg Kiwanis Club. The annual Children's Pet Parade kicks off at 10 a.m., featuring an array of the area's pets in costumes.

"The pet parade is absolutely hysterical," Mahon said.

The Market Street Arts Festival runs tomorrow from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. This event features over 100 of the area's finest artists and over 30 food vendors, as well as a number of non-profit information tables.

This year, the Arts Festival includes several University student groups. The Bucknell Tuba Quartet will present a concert at 11:30 a.m. tomorrow at the M&T Bank Food Court. The group consists of Phil Wetzel '04 and Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering Aarne Vesilind on the euphonium and Christopher Styers '05 and Jon Rabin '03 on the tuba.

The University Gospel Choir will sing at the Hufnagle Park Food Court at noon tomoorw. Jelani, the University's hip-hop dance group and step team, will be performing at 12:30 p.m. in Soldier's Park. Two Past Midnight, the University's co-ed a capella group, will present a concert from 2:30-3 p.m. in the Hufnagle Park Food Court.

Throughout the festival, many local art exhibitions will be on display. "The Lewisburg Arts Council Annual Indoor Art Exhibit," featuring original works from area artists, can be seen at the Packwood House Museum. The Lewisburg Studio will present its "Annual Photography Exhibit" at its location on Market Street.

The Open Door Art Gallery will be displaying its "Antique Images of Lewisburg and Bucknell University Exhibit." At the Dogwood Hill gift shop, visitors can see a display by Justine Johnston, "The Art of Pressed Flowers."

Other exhibits include the "Union County Historical Society Exhibit" of area log houses at the Union County Courthouse, the "Maine-iacs Exhibit" of artwork at Elizabeth's restaurant and the "Susanne Wind Exhibit" at Sun Bank, showcasing a variety of

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When students are teachers

By Ashley Maliken
Staff Writer

It is customary for professionals in the modern working world to have adequate training in their field before beginning at a paid job. Future doctors suffer as residents, lawyers slave away as interns and, similarly, teachers experience student teaching.

But while lawyers and doctors may cry of the hassle and pains they suffer as pre-professionals, most student teachers find the experience less than horrible. Testament from University students proves that student teaching is both an excellent preparation for the duties of teaching as well as a gratifying experience laden with satisfaction.

Dan Blair '03 will graduate with a degree in English. He said his stint as a student teacher, performed from Oct. 1 until winter break of last semester, was as wonderful as it was unexpected.

"It just sort of happened. It wasn't like I dreamed my whole life of becoming a teacher," Blair said.

Blair performed his duties as a student teacher at Mifflinburg High School, teaching ninth-, 10th- and 11th-graders. His duties were that of a full-fledged teacher, not limited to simply grading tests and teaching a few lessons. As required by the University, Blair wrote lesson plans, wrote, administered and graded tests, and even handled disciplinary matters. In his ninth-grade class he dealt with lower level students in a program called "integrated communications."

"It was tough but fun … they were very social. It gave me the best taste of what teaching could be because it was so challenging," Blair said.

At the 10th- and 11th-grade level he experienced the exact opposite, being placed in charge of "gifted" students. He met with equal satisfaction, as he was able to discuss issues of worldly importance, and integrate much of his own studies into his teaching.

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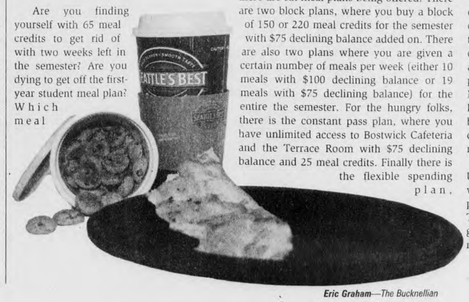
The mathematics of meal plans

By Kyle Lange
Staff Writer

Are you finding yourself with 65 meal credits to get rid of with two weeks left in the semester? Are you dying to get off the first-year student meal plan? Which meal plan will you choose for next year?



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For those of you who deleted the e-mail, there are six meal plans being offered. There are two block plans, where you buy a block of 150 or 220 meal credits for the semester with $75 declining balance added on. There are also two plans where you are given a certain number of meals per week (either 10 meals with $100 declining balance or 19 meals with $75 declining balance) for the entire the semester. For the hungry folks, there is the constant pass plan, where you have unlimited access to Bostwick Cafeteria and the Terrace Room with $75 declining balance and 25 meal credits. Finally there is the flexible spending plan, where you put $550 or more on your declining balance account.

The most important factor to consider in choosing a meal plan is how often you eat at campus dining facilities. Perhaps you're in the habit of cooking your own food, eating out or only eating lunches on campus. If you are one of these people, your choice is simple. Sign up for the $550 Flexible Spending Meal Plan, the cheapest meal plan available. If you run out of meal credits or declining balance, you can always add money to your declining balance account in $50 increments.

If you do eat most of your meals at the University's dining facilities, ask yourself which venue is your favorite. If your favorite place to eat is Bostwick Cafeteria or the Terrace Room, the buffet cafeterias, consider getting a block plan or a certain number of meals per week plan. But those are the only

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ABROAD THE ARTS CULTURE

A Year in Oxford

From recluse to bona fide traveler, Katie Hays '03 shows the wide range of emotions involved with living abroad as she shares her fiery adventures during her year in Oxford.

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Celebrating Dance

The University's dance program has come a long way since 1987. Tonight and tomorrow night, the Dance Company will celebrate the last 15 years of dance and honor the late Danna Frangione.

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Smoking on Campus

Despite the knowledge our generation has of the many negative aspects of smoking, a community of smokers exists on campus.

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DIVERSIONS

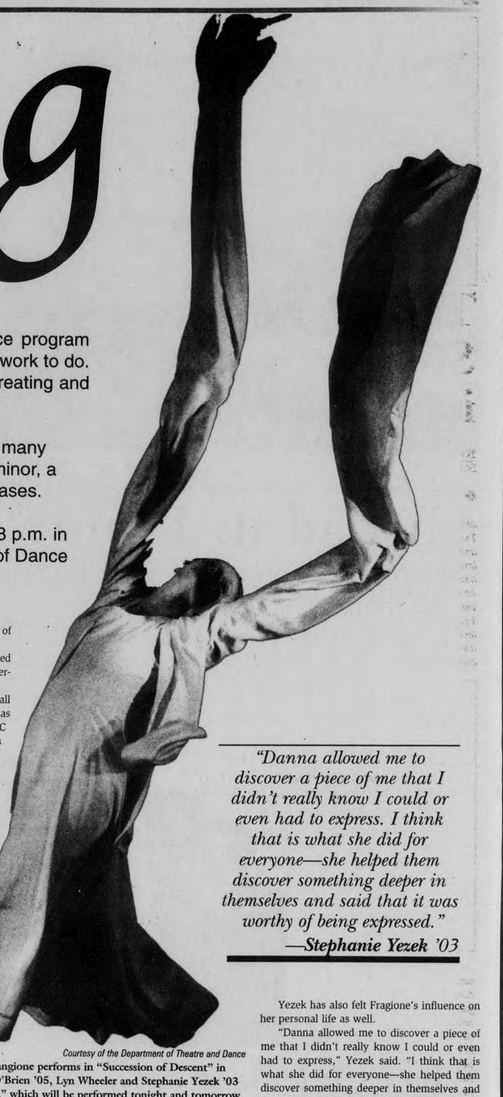
Celebrating 15 YEARS OF dance

By Michelle Dombeck

When Associate Professor of Theatre and Dance Danna Frangione, dance program founder and first director, came to the University in 1987, she had a lot of work to do. As the University's first dance professor, Frangione was responsible for creating and shaping a successful program. She succeeded.

In her time here, she molded the University's dance program into one that provides many opportunities for dancers, including the Bucknell Dance Company (BDC), a dance minor, a dance capstone and foundation seminar, studio concerts and choreographer showcases.

Despite her death in December, her legacy lives on. Tonight and tomorrow night at 8 p.m. in the Weis Center, the BDC will present its annual spring concert. Entitled "15 Years of Dance at Bucknell," the concert will honor Frangione and the program she created.



"Danna allowed me to discover a piece of me that I didn't really know I could or even had to express. I think that is what she did for everyone—she helped them discover something deeper in themselves and said that it was worthy of being expressed."

—Stephanie Yezek '03

Courtesy of the Department of Theatre and Dance

(Above) Danna Frangione performs in "Succession of Descent" in 1997; (left) Erin O'Brien '05, Lyn Wheeler and Stephanie Yezek '03 dance in "El Calor," which will be performed tonight and tomorrow.

Er-dong Hu, associate professor of theatre and dance, feels that the concert is an opportunity for people to realize the impact Frangione has had.

"This is about letting people know much Danna has done in 15 years," Hu said. "It is about keeping Danna's legacies and allowing the spirit of BDC and the program to move on."

In order to let people know what Frangione has done, there will be a video prologue that chronicals the last 15 years of dance at the University.

On Saturday night, Frangione will also receive an achievement award, which will be accepted by her husband.

Frangoine will not simply be recognized with awards and tributes. She will also be honored in the concert through the performance of three of her pieces. Two of these, "Forces of Nature" and "At First Sight," are being restaged and performed by dancers from the Tsoying High School, which is a dance conservatory in Taiwan where Frangione worked as choreographer in residence for nine years.

"Sacred Harp Suites," another piece Frangione choreographed, is being restaged by Nicole Bradley-Browning '97. This piece is about religion and spirituality.

"I think this dance is about what it is to have real faith versus organized religion and how religion and faith can move you in your soul and that it can be revealed in movement; faith inside your soul can be so overwhelming that it can only show itself through movement. That's what dance is about anyway—emotion that cannot be expressed in words," said BDC Vice President Stephanie Yezek '03, who is performing in the piece. "All the dancers are dressed to look poor and the set is really just a skeleton of two houses, shacks really. But the movement is so rich and powerful that that movement fills the void of the poor exterior of life."

This year, about 20 alumni, many of whom have felt Frangione's impact, are returning to perform in "Nina," a piece choreographed by the first member of BDC, Todd Rosenlieb '89.

Not just alumni and dancers are involved with the concert. Katie Palumbo '03 is performing live for "About Beauty."

"Katie is playing the piano on stage, and all of the dancers interact with the piano as well as with the music and each other," BDC Secretary Allison Hoffmann '06 said. "It's more abstract and not as large or technical as a lot of the other pieces. It's more internal and about different facets of beauty."

Other pieces represent many different genres of dance, including tap, jazz, modern and ballet.

"One of the best things about this program is that it is so eclectic," Yezek said. "Even with pieces that are in the same genre, there's so much difference."

Finishing up the concert is "Huan Qing (Celebration)" by Hu.

"This piece is a resetting of a piece Er-dong did a few years ago. The performers have ribbons, sashes and fans," Hoffmann said. "It's called 'Celebration' because these kinds of props are used to celebrate things in Chinese culture. It's a good way to end the concert."

This concert is celebrating Frangione's life and legacy. Part of the reason people are celebrating is because of the impact Frangione had on invididuals.

"She totally changed my whole perception of dance. She helped me grow into myself as a dancer and a person," Yezek said. "She also taught me that dance can be about you, about the dancer, and that it does not have to be aesthetically pleasing all the time. She taught me that you can create 'ugly' movement for impact. That was one of the greatest things I have ever heard, that dance does not have to be 'pretty' to be considered dance."

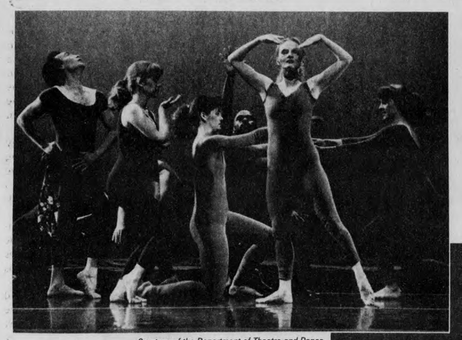
Yezek has also felt Fragione's influence on her personal life as well.

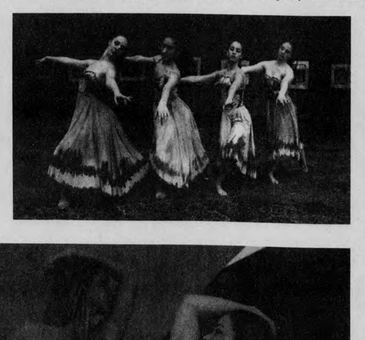
"Danna allowed me to discover a piece of me that I didn't really know I could or even had to express," Yezek said. "I think that is what she did for everyone—she helped them discover something deeper in themselves and said that it was worthy of being expressed."

Frangione expressed herself on stage, but off the stage she was a bit reserved.

"Danna was kind of a shy person in private, even though she was such an amazing and outgoing performer on stage," Hoffmann said.

This concert is supported by the Bucknell Association for the Arts. Tickets are available for $6 in the Weis Center Box Office.





Courtesy of the Department of Theatre and Dance

(Clockwise from far right): Allison Hoffmann '05 as a ribbon dancer in "Celebration"; Lyn Wheeler, Kara Lewis '05 and Erin O'Brien '05 pose from "Hit the Beat"; several dancers perform in the 1995 Spring Dance Concert; Lewis, Melissa Agrimanakis '06, Janan Hatem '05 and Hoffmann pose from "Waves Against the Sand." "Celebration," "Hit the Beat" and "Waves Against the Sand" are all being performed tonight and tomorrow night at 8 p.m. in the Weis Center as part of this year's spring dance concert, which will honor the legacy of Danna Frangione and the history of dance at the University.

DIVERSIONS

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& Beat the Heat Tunes

Taking Back Sunday releases its debut album

By Dave Allen
Staff Writer

❖ CD Review

"Tell All Your Friends," the debut album from Long Island, N.Y.-based Taking Back Sunday is a loud, concentrated burst of energy that will appeal to fans of such current punk/hardcore bands as Thursday, The Used, The All-American Rejects and Midtown. The video for their first single "Cut from the Team (Cure Without the 'E')" has received airplay on MTV2, and other tracks from the album are played on the campus radio station, 90.5 WVBU.

The album's sonic atmosphere is composed of the usual guitars, bass and drums, characterized by loud, distorted guitars and driving rhythms, but takes an unique approach to singing duties: the band uses two lead singers to sing lyrics in both harmonized unison and in shouted counterpoint. The catchy hooks and shout-along choruses are delivered at two general tempos, either a slow grind or a rapid gallop.

The band's Web site (takingbacksunday.com) describes the lyrics as coming from a "super emo notebook," referring to the often depressed and self-loathing lyrical content of most songs from the punk genre known as "emo." Some typical lyrics from "Tell All Your Friends":

"Best friends means I pulled the trigger/Best friends means you get what you deserve."

"And you can tell all your friends/You've got your gun to my head/This all was only wishful thinking."

"Why can't I feel anything from anyone?"

"The truth is you could slit my throat/and with my one last gasping breath, I'd apologize for bleeding on your shirt."

The band even alludes to the content of their lyrics in the album's last track, "Head Club": "I can't say I blame you, but I wish I could/I'm sick of writing every song about you." Lyrically, "Tell All Your Friends" is not a "feel-good" album; each song is "Creep" by Radiohead toughened up after a few rounds in the mosh pit.

Different textures periodically break up the clamorous guitars and galloping drums, like touches of piano, synthesized strings and haunting female vocals in such songs as "Cut From the Team (Cute Without the 'E')," "Great Romances of the 20th Century," "Ghost Man on Third" and "The Blue Channel."

Overall, the album doesn't tread a whole lot of new ground in the already somewhat-narrow category of modern punk rock, but the use of two lead singers and level of emotion and energy captured in the recording help separate "Tell All Your Friends" from other recent recordings in the genre. Taking Back Sunday is just the kind of up-and-coming band that might be attracted to performing here at Uptown, and they will also be featured on this summer's Vans Warped Tour.

Courtesy of www.what'sthematrix.com

Neo and Smith duel in "The Matrix Reloaded." Opening May 15 in theaters across the country, "The Matrix" sequel is one of several summer movies promising to draw big crowds. Other summer movies include "Finding Nemo," "Charlie's Angels: Full Throttle" and "2 Fast 2 Furious."

Summer flicks face off in movie theaters starting in early May

By Josh Herwitt
Staff Writer

As the sun's rays slowly shed away the clouds of winter and early spring, movie theaters across America will quickly fill with anxious crowds eager to see the new blockbuster thrills this summer. Major studios have been staking out weekend slots for months in hopes of luring large audiences sick of the dog days of summer to the movie theater for their sequel and action-packed smash-hit hopefuls.

Most blockbusters open during Memorial Day weekend, but the intense box office competition over the years has compelled studios to release their projects for early May.

The summer kicks off with the sequel of the X-Men comic book series and the return to whole mutant gang in "X2: X-Men United." An unknown enemy strikes an ominous attack, forcing public outcry and calling the X-Men swad into command. The highly-anticipated action-thriller, "The Matrix Reloaded," will have theaters packed starting May 15. Disney will open its summer hit, "Finding Nemo," on May 30.

June is packed with more wannabe summer blockbuster hits with a new comic book series, "The Hulk," for June 20 and the Charlie's Angels sequel, "Charlie's Angels: Full Throttle," for the following week. The speed-thrilling sequel of the original "Fast and the Furious," "2 Fast 2 Furious," will fill seats come June 6.

Fourth of July weekend unleashes some of heaviest blockbusting hitters. Warner Brothers adds to the pile of summer sequels with its own, presenting "Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines" starring Arnold Schwarzenegger. MGM will compete with its own sequel, "Legally Blonde 2: Red, White and Blonde," as well as Dreamworks' animated "Sinbad: Legend of the Seven Seas."

The rest of July continues the trend of sequels with "Bad Boys II," once again starring Will Smith and Martin Lawrence. Other July releases include "Pirates of the Caribbean," featuring Johnny Depp's July 9 quest to prevent a ship of hostile pirates, and "Seabiscuit," starring Tobey Maguire July 25.

August releases will comprise of the third and final movie of the "American Pie" series—"American Wedding" on August 1—with a large focus of the comedy devoted to the marriage between Jason Biggs (Jim) and Alyson Hannigan (Michelle). Nicolas Cage will return to the big screens August 8 for his new crime-thriller, "Matchstick Men."

The movie theaters should be very successful with the many awaited sequels and some other surprising, yet promising flicks.

Download these beach beats ...

~The Digital Top 10~

1. 50 Cent: Get Rich or Die Tryin'
2. Norah Jones: Come Away With Me
3. Linkin Park: Meteora
4. Eminem: The Eminem Show
5. Coldplay : A Rush of Blood to The Head
6. Evanescence: Fallen
7. The White Stripes: Element
8. Avril Lavigne: Let Go
9. Christina Aguilera: Stripped
10. R. Kelly: Chocolate Factory

HOT READS FOR ALL YOUR SUMMER NEEDS!

Top 10 Bestsellers to date:

1. "Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix" by J.K.Rowling
2. "The King of Torts" by John Grisham
3. "Dr. Atkins' New Diet Revolution" by Robert C. Atkins
4. "The Hours" by Michael Cunningham
5. "The Lovely Bones" by Alice Sebold
6. "Summons" by John Grisham
7. "Atkins for Life" by Robert C. Atkins
8. "Crossroads of Twilight" by Robert Jordan
9. "Dr. Atkins' New Diet Revolution" by Robert C. Atkins
10. "The Secret Life of Bees" by Sue Monk Kidd

Courtesy of www.barnesandnoble.com

"Seamstress" is recommended summer reading

By Melinda Kummer
Arts and Entertainment Editor

❖ Book Review

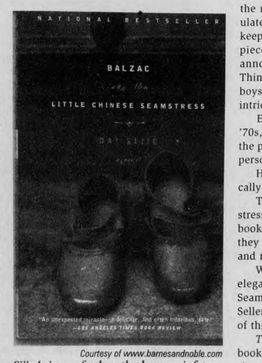
Aesthetically attracted to the cover first and secondly attracted to the seeming manageable length, I bought the book with little red slippers on the front. Homework and extracurriculars have pushed pleasure reading into gym time. Giving up the elipticle in favor of the more reader-friendly bike, I wanted some light and enjoyable reading.

Considering myself an intellectual that I would even think to buy a book for pleasure reading, I was unprepared for the impact of the cute-looking book.

In a society where "The Simpsons" has replaced Sunday evenings of radio listening, it's hard to imagine a world in which books and literacy maintain the status of precious treasures. To crave the written word as a source of power is a hunger many don't feel, let alone have the desire to risk their lives to obtain that power. And yet, author Dai Sijie recreates such a world in his recently-translated novel, "Balzac and the Little Chinese Seamstress."

Not expecting a strong thematic element concerning communism and the "re-education" practiced under Chairman Mao, I nonetheless became intrigued by two teen-age boys as they searched for literary satisfaction.

An introduction to the main characters, the book begins with a scene soon after the relocation of the city boys into the mountainous regions of China. Luo, the son of a well-known dentist, and the narrator, who remains nameless, try to manipulate the village headman into allowing them to keep their violin. As the main character plays a piece by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, Luo announces its fictitious name as "Mozart is Thinking of Chairman Mao." From the start, the boys survive with fast thinking as they play an intricate game with the communists.



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Sijie brings a fresh outlook on an infatuation with books in his novel, "Balzac and the Little Chinese Seamstress." A slim yet profound story, "Seamstress" makes a perfect companion to summer relaxation this summer on your beach towel.

Experiencing "re-education" himself in the early '70s, Sijie brings elements of honesty, endearing the pair of boys to the reader. First person narrative personalizes their fear and pain.

Humorous in an understated way, Sijie artistically fuses serious subject matter and wit.

The infatuation the boys shared with the seamstress's daughter softened the intense nature of the book and completed the full circle of challenges they faced. Delicately told, the love story develops and mirrors the boys' love for books.

Widely acclaimed for its stylistic simplicity and elegance, "Balzac and the Little Chinese Seamstress" charted on *The New York Times* Best Sellers List from December 2002 through February of this year.

The Boston Herald said that Sijie created "A true book lover's book....A testament to resilience and to the power of words," according to the book's jacket cover.

The perfect length for a beach vacation, "Balzac and the Little Chinese Seamstress" is worth a read for those interested in political or literary device.

DIVERSIONS

Cap and Dagger hosts a diversity of performances

From music to prose and poetry, Open Stage Night is a success

By Kristen Habacht
Staff Writer

Tustin Theatre's black box was home to a plethora of talent April 17, as students came to perform for Open Stage Night. This was the second annual open stage night sponsored by Cap and Dagger, the theater and dance club on campus.

"Open stage night was a fun evening where people could just be themselves, and express what they wanted to through music, poetry or prose," said Lee Cromwell '05, who performed a song with Ashi Day '04.

After last year's turnout and positive feedback, Cap and Dagger decided to make the event annual as the students seemed to enjoy the rare opportunity to perform on stage without having to approve pieces through the theatre department.

"I think open stage night was a great opportunity for people to come out and do what they love. It was a fun night with a huge diversity of performances—I hope to see more in the future," Liisa Britt '04 said.

Britt performed poetry as well as a Christopher Durang scene.

While some performed slam poetry, others sang and performed skits. The night was all about celebrating the arts and the often-untapped talent that the campus holds. Though the technical aspects of the night were basic, minimal lighting and no set except chairs, the performers seemed in their element. They performed as though the stage was made for them. A very laid-back atmosphere, both the performers and audience enjoyed the show.

"Open Stage Night provides a wonderful opportunity for people who don't have the time to be involved in the larger-scale productions to come out for just one night and take the stage to dance, sing, read poetry, show off and, most importantly, have some fun!" Treasurer of Cap and Dagger Rachael Slotsgave '04 said.

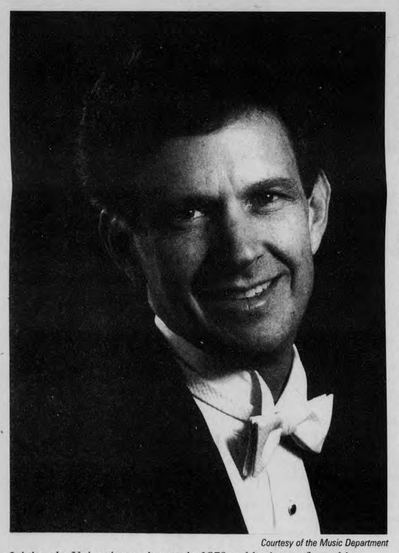
Cap and Dagger is trying to get more people involved on campus that are not necessarily able to commit large amounts of time to theater—Open Stage Night is just one example of the types of opportunities to come.

Since the technical aspects are kept to a minimun and the rehearsal time requires little committment, Cap and Dagger productions and open stage events will be more accessible allowing more people to enjoy the arts on campus. Even though it was not an epic production, open stage night was relaxing, entertaining and allowed for diversity on the stage.

Rae Purcell—The Bucknellian

Posing in front of a piano is familiar territory for Ashlee Mack '03, who has been taking lessons since the age of 10. After graduation, Mack plans to pursue either musical accompaniment or chamber music.

Professor Hannigan has made 25 years of music on campus



Courtesy of the Music Department

Joining the University music team in 1978 and having performed in Moscow, New Zealand and Honolulu, Professor of Music Barry Hannigan celebrates a quarter century on campus.

By Julianna Pietek
Senior Writer

This year was a milestone for Professor of Music Barry Hannigan. In 1978, he joined the University's music department, making this his 25th year of teaching in the studio, classroom and performing at the University.

"[The University] had a job and I applied," Hannigan said. "I was basically applying for any job that came up—then and they wanted me and I wanted to be here. I think it's a great place in any measure you want to use, the faculty is great, the living environment, the students."

Over the years here, Hannigan has taught piano—an activity he lists as his "main thing"—taught music theory, done committee and departmental work and given lectures, master classes and performances.

"We're required to be active professionally here," Hannigan said. "For me, that's continuing to play."

He has continued to play, performing in Moscow, New Zealand, Ireland, Honolulu, Carnegie Hall and hundreds of other venues. This professional involvement and dedication has translated to the other areas of his work.

"I can't imagine teaching if I wasn't playing myself. Every day I find myself talking about what I've been doing and the connection between what I'm playing and what my students are playing," Hannigan said.

His connection with actual performance and playing is what inspires and motivates Hannigan to continue.

"I feel like I'm still growing as a player, which is very important to me. I'd like to think I'm always getting better as a performer and a player," Hannigan said.

With this improvement comes one of the great challenges of performance.

> *"It is the best possible career I could have thought of, just top satisfication in being able to do music every day. I don't know anyone else in their job who is as happy and fulfilled as I have been."*
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> ***—Barry Hannigan, professor of music***

"We as musicians are continually producing a paradox in that the more we work and the more we practice, the easier it looks," Hannigan said. "This is forever a problem. The more you work, the simpler it seems and sometimes even fellow faculty members don't understand this. There's a lot more to it than you expect."

Together with this seeming contradiction, there are other problems that Hannigan feels musicians face, in general, and at the University.

"I am grateful that the music department has finally gotten some support. We finally have a new building, and we went for so long without those thing. It really is an under-recognized component of Bucknell," Hannigan said. "In any one year, they figured out, one-third of the students are involved in musical activities, either taking a class or performing in an ensemble. That's a huge number that is involved. Somehow, I don't think that's penetrated the consciousness of the school."

Hannigan brought his awareness of this problem to the project he devised after winning the Class of '56 Lectureship Award, the highest presented to a faculty member by the University, with which the University honored in 1990.

According to Hannigan's statement on his Web site, "My project was a record of the process of learning Brahms's Piano Pieces, Op. 119. I recorded the piece once a week, every week, from the first rough sight-reading to the final stages of memory and interpretation, culminating with a performance at the lecture. The lecture consisted of a discussion of the ways in which a piece is learned—from memory problems to interpretive choices. Taped examples of each stage were played to demonstrate how the piece changed during the process."

When asked for the motivation behind such an undertaking, Hannigan said, "The idea was simply that very few people understand musicians, almost none understand how much work and effort it is."

Hannigan feels that the study of piano and music in general can be challenging and continuous work. For Hannigan, it is continuous happiness as well.

"It is the best possible career I could have thought of, just top satisfaction in being able to do music every day. I don't know anyone else in their job who is as happy and fulfilled as I have been. The insane thing is that so many people simply pursue careers for money. The real idea is what is going to make me happy on a daily basis—what do I love?"

It seems apparent that Hannigan has found what he loves in his time here.

"I'm not a big city person. I like to fish, to ride my bike, and to hike," Hannigan said. "New York makes me absolutely crazy—give me Penn's Creek over 5th Avenue any day. If I had really wanted to be a city person, I would have gotten out of here over the years."

Mack scales musical heights

Graduating with a degree in music performance, Ashlee Mack '03 hopes to pursue opportunities at graduate school

By Kristi Johnston
Senior Writer

Ashlee Mack '03 has been playing the piano for almost half of her life. It's no wonder, then, that she has excelled within the music department at the University and become involved in several musical ensembles both on and off campus.

Mack started taking piano lessons when she was 10 years old.

"I just decided to take lessons on my own, and I've kept with it," Mack said. "I also had a lot of influence from my mom."

Now Mack is about to graduate with a degree in music performance. She has enjoyed her experiences in the music department and has no regrets about choosing to study music.

"I'm proud that I decided to stick with what I love the most," Mack said.

Mack has acted as the accompanist for the weekly Catholic mass on campus since her sophomore year. She is actively involved in the Catholic Campus Ministry (CCM) and served as a teaching assistant for music theory courses. She is also a philosophy minor.

Last summer, Mack remained on campus and did research along with her adviser and piano instructor, Associate Professor of Music Lois Svard. Mack researched how different learning styles affect musicians' abilities, both during practice and in performance. She said the study was very interesting and rewarding.

Having worked with Mack for four years, Svard said she has an appreciation for her talent and work ethic.

"Mack is an unusually gifted musician and it has been a distinct pleasure for me to work with her for the past four years," Svard said.

"Even as a first-year student she was accompanying senior recitals with a professionalism that is usually found only in more experienced pianists."

Last year, Mack joined The Society for Chromatic Art, a music ensemble based in New York City. The group presents two to three concerts each year in New York featuring modern music.

"We play music from the 20th century, as well as music by composers who are still living today," Mack said.

Mack is hoping to attend graduate school next year for music performance.

"I'd ultimately like to be in the field of either music accompaniment or chamber music," Mack said. "I think you get the most out of working with other musicians."

The dedication Mack brought to the university will serve her well as she moves on to the musical field.

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mixed media landscapes.

Mahon attributes the past success of the festival to the quality of the artists and the dedication of the Arts Council members.

"We have a wonderful group of volunteers," Mahon said. "This is our 34th year of the festival. We have a committee structure and we try to come up with a lot of new ideas each year."

Mahon said that the Arts Council incorporated University groups in the festival's roster, as well as the concentrated on individual performers as part of the theme on children, to include the entire community.

"This year, we intentionally have small solos or duos performing throughout the day," Mahon said. "We're also trying to coordinate the event as a whole more this year."

As part of this coordination effort, the Campus Theatre will present a movie singalong event on Sunday. The Sing-A-Long Sound of Music is "a live multimedia event that brings the Rogers and Hammerstein classic straight to the dancing shoes and vocal chords of audiences of all ages," according to the schedule of events. "After an invigorating warm-up led by local celebrity Vic Boris, the audience will boo Nazis, brandish 'Edelweiss' and hiss the Baroness as they play along with this timeless classic reformatted with all new subtitled lyrics."

For those who miss out on the fun of the Arts Festival, Lewisburg will also present the Lewisburg Live mini music festival on May 3. Bands participating in this event include Tom n' Nate Blues Duo, Carolyn Gathman, Callanish Celtic Band, Big Band Nostalgia, Riverstone, Conjugal Visit, Andy Burr and Friends, Classical Jazz Quartet and Cory Kyle.

DIVERSIONS

Meal plan mathematics—simplifying the numbers

After analyzing all of the figures and available options, the ideal meal plan for every student is easy to determine

Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian

Students wait at the salad bar, a station that often has the longest line in the Bostwick Cafeteria. Students who enjoy frequent meals during the day and like the all-you-can-eat style of the Cafeteria will be interested by the new Constant Pass, which offers an unlimited number of visits to the Cafeteria.

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places where it is worth it to use meal credits.

Consider what you are paying for each meal credit. Assuming that there are 16 weeks in a semester, you pay $4.58 per meal credit with the 19 meals per week plan (commonly known as the first-year student meal plan), $6.56 per meal credit with the 10 meals per week plan, $6 per meal credit with the 220 block plan and $6.90 per meal credit with the 150 block plan.

Do these numbers seem a little high to you? They are high compared to the current exchange rate at the Bison Food Court and Larison Dining Hall. If you use a meal credit at either of these locations, you are given $2.45 for breakfast, $3.60 for lunch and $4.45 for dinner. No matter which plan you use, you lose money each time you trade in a meal credit.

You can even lose money on meal credits by eating at the buffet venues. If you use the flexible meal plan, the buffet venues charge $4.60 for breakfast, $6.15 for lunch and $7.25 for dinner. If you purchase the 150 block plan or the 10 meals per week plan, the only good deal you get is having dinner at Bostwick Cafeteria. If you have lunch or breakfast at either of the buffet venues, it would be cheaper to use declining balance to buy your meal. Only buy either of these meal plans if you love eating dinner and only dinner in Bostwick Cafeteria.

If you like to eat lunch and dinner at the buffet venues every day, go for the 220 block plan (which adds up to roughly 14 meals per week). If you like to eat three meals a day, with a majority being at the buffet venues, sign up for the 19 meals per week plan. Both of these plans give you a good deal on lunch and dinner at the buffet venues, but you end up buying a lot of meals.

There isn't much rationale for the constant pass meal plan, unless you want to gain 15 pounds every year that you're here. This plan is essentially the same as the 19 meals per week plan, unless you are in the habit of eating six meals a day instead of three. The main drawbacks with this plan are that you can't pay for guests unless you use the bonus meal credits, and that the constant pass is worthless when the buffet venues are closed.

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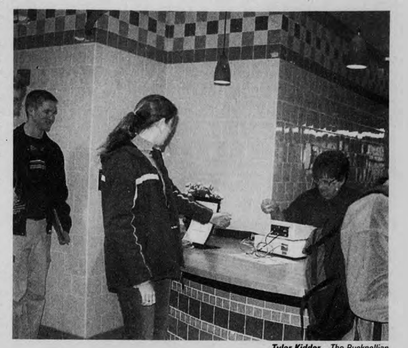
If you eat at the Bison or Larison for at least half of your lunches and dinners, go for the flexible spending meal plan. It is the most economically sensible and flexible meal plan that is offered. Unlike the 19 meals per week and 10 meals per week plans, there is no penalty for not eating a given quota of meals on campus during a given week. You can use your ID card at any campus dining location at any time, without having to worry about whether or not meal credit is accepted. You have to pay a little more to eat at the buffet venues, but as long as you go for breakfast or lunch, it's not a terrible deal.

Just a few more tips to pass along to you: If you choose the flexible spending meal plan, and you have a friend who chooses a block plan, help each other out. If you eat at the buffet cafeterias, have your friend pay. When you eat at the Bison, pay for your friend.

Also, underestimate how much food you will eat in a given semester. You can always add dollars to your meal plan, but there is no rebate at the end of the year for leftover meal credits and declining balance. Choose a meal plan that makes sense to you.



Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian

Students hand off their IDs at the entrance of the Bostwick Cafeteria. Students on the 19 meals/week plan tend to eat in the Cafeteria to avoid constantly adding declining balance to their cards.

Fall Semester Meal Plan Options

—19 meals per week with $75 Declining Balance: $1,468.50

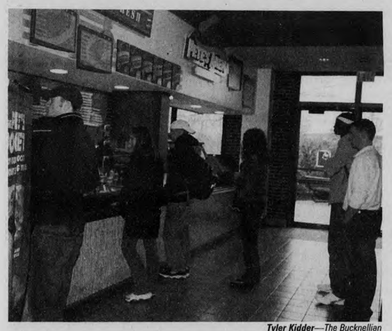
—10 meals per week with $100 Declining Balance: $1,150.00

—220 Block with $75 Declining Balance: $1,394.00

—150 Block with $75 Declining Balance: $1,109.50

—Constant Pass with $75 Dining Dollars & 25 Bonus Meals: $1,575.00

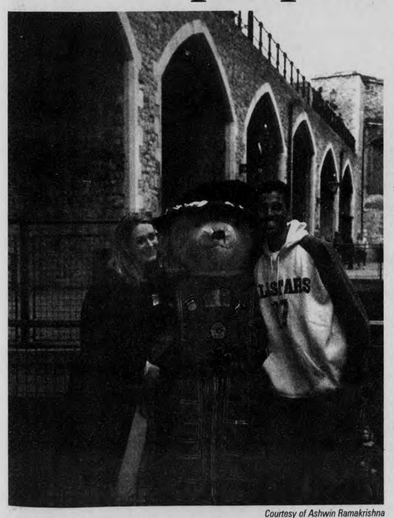
—Flexible Spending Meal Plan—min. $550 w/$50 increment increases



Tyler Kidder—The Bucknellian

Always popular during the peak hours for the Bison, Subversions draws its normal line of students. Students who eat frequently in the Bison are much better off sticking to an all-declining meal plan for next year.

Abroad perspective: semester in London, England



Courtesy of Ashwin Ramakrishna

Ashwin Ramakrishna (right) and his friend Jannah Cornell (left) visit a guard outside the Tower of London.

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happy and satisfied by doing it. It allowed me to wander the streets and get lost finding out more of London and its culture. It was interesting trying to ask local residents for directions because of the different phrase and words that they used. I was able to find what I needed and we created an amazing, delicious and filling homemade "London" Thanksgiving meal. While this was late in the semester, I realized then that I could be ready for all challenges in the future because I could work my way through them and make the best out of any situation.

A second favorite experience in London took place on Oct. 14, which will not be a night I will soon forget. The Duke University basketball team was in London in competition with several of the London League teams. On their last night in the city, Shawn, Andrew, John and I went to the game. When it was over, we started to shout to them to come to a place called the Sports Café, which ended up being a Tuesday night ritual for lots the American students in London. None of us had thought that they heard us, but we were in the mood to go out so we went there anyway. Shortly thereafter I happened to glance towards the entrance where I saw a 6-foot-11-inch Casey Saunders entering. That night, we hung out with Saunders, Chris Duhon, J.J. Reddick, Andre Buckner, Sean Dockery and Nick Horvath. They were incredibly down to earth and just like any other college student, which was somewhat of a surprise considering that on court they are such different individuals.

Saunders offered me some advice that night for the rest of my stay in London. He said, "Don't be afraid to do whatever you want to—experiences are more valuable than any dollar amount and will lead to a well-rounded future." From that night on, if I wanted to do something I did it, regardless what others did or did not want to do.

I also had the thrill and enjoyment of traveling into mainland Europe to experience different cultures in their homelands. My travels included eight days in Italy, three days in Brussels, three days in Salzburg, three days in Munich and finally three days in Prague.

Courtesy of Ashwin Ramakrishna

The City Museum of Prague is one of the many places in Europe that Ramakrishna travelled to during his semester in London, England.

Though I considered myself well-traveled before going aboard, I have never recognized the sheer differences between the various cities I stayed in. The added experience of staying in youth hostels as opposed to hotels added to the value. By far, my favorite place I visited was Prague.

Although terribly cold towards the end of December, the beauty of the city's architecture, the language and the sidewalks made it so memorable. Yes, the sidewalks were memorable because each street in the city had sidewalks that were decorated and colorful, but no two were the same. It added to the flavor the city had to offer.

While the languages were not a problem in the other countries, as I was able to communicate in those languages limitedly, there was no chance I was going to be able to make out any Czech. The language could be easily connected to another one that I knew. This led to some very interesting interaction with some local vendors, as we were unable to fully communicate with each other while bargaining for souvenirs.

Having the opportunity to study and live abroad definitely has given me a new well-rounded perspective on how to go through life. While I had an amazing time traveling to new cities, and meeting people of many backgrounds, the self-reflection of my experience is what truly mattered. I feel as if I am now better prepared to move into uncomfortable and unfamiliar areas. I know that I will be able to jump into the situation and can adjust so that it becomes familiar. I am more confident with meeting new people, interacting within new cultures and starting a fresh new life. I will never forget the experiences I had in London, and the great people I met there. They were all parts of my life for three months, and will definitely be in the future as well.

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Bucknellians in Profile

Don Krech

Not only the king of purchasing and parking, he's king of blues, playing guitar in an award-winning blues band

By Alyson Walker
Features Editor

Don Krech plays many roles—manager of purchasing at the University, "Parking Czar," guitarist for Lipsmackin' Blues Band, regional president of the National Association of Educational Buyers, adviser to WVBU, summer softball player and the parent of a University student.

Courtesy of Don Krech

Don Krech poses with his guitar. Lipsmackin' Blues Band, for which Krech plays, recently won the Billtown Blues Challenge.

Krech hit a high note recently when the Lipsmackin' Blues Band won the Billtown Blues Challenge. The win means that Krech and the other three members of the band will be competing against approximately 65 other bands at the International Blues Challenge (IBC) in Memphis, Tenn., in January 2004 on the famous Beale Street.

The band came together when Krech met the drummer, Stu Shrawder, at a local music collective in Mifflinburg. The drummer had a friend, Tom Martin, who played the "blues harp," a harmonica, and they also found a bass player in Andy Seal. Their first performance was an impromptu session at the King Street Coffee House in Northumberland in January 2002, where they performed for the first time—they hadn't even rehearsed together yet. Krech said that the performance went surprisingly well for a group that didn't know each other.

"We were a perfect match even though we hadn't all met before. We could feel each other out well as we went through the songs," Krech said.

This was not Krech's first experience in the music business. He had been in several bands prior, and ended his 20-year hiatus from the music scene when he formed the Lipsmackin' Blues Band.

The Billtown Blues Challenge involved the band making a compact disc of its songs, from which five bands were selected as semifinalists. The semifinalists performed 30-minute slots at the competition. The slots were timed, and bands were penalized for how much under or over the time limit they went.

Krech said that the bands were judged based on presence, originality, musicality, crowd interaction and how "bluesy" the band was.

According to Krech, the band has a great sense of musicality.

"We work more with dynamics, and we bring a jazz feel to the blues using the guitar, harp, bass and drums. Unlike most bands, you can't spot a leader—everything we do, solos or improvs, fits within the music," Krech said.

Winning the Billtown Blues Challenge will not only send Lipsmackin' Blues Band to Memphis, but it also gives the band the opportunity to open for the Billtown Blues Festival on June 8 in Williamsport. Blues greats such as Roy Rogers and Maria Muldaur will be performing at the festival.

Krech said that friends and family are renting buses to travel to Memphis and cheer on Lipsmackin' Blues Band.

"It's great to have community support and see familiar faces in the audience," Krech said.

If the band wins at the IBC, they could win time at Arden's, a recording studio in Memphis, cash prizes and the opportunity to perform at some of the top blues clubs around the country.

"Since we all have good jobs, we have no idea what we'll do if we win," Krech said.

Krech has been at the University for six years. He said he would enjoy bringing his passion for the blues to campus.

"I'd love to teach a course on the blues here," Krech said.

During the summer, Krech participates in the summer softball league.

"It's one of the strengths of the University that it's not just a staff or faculty league, it's students, staff and faculty all together," Krech said. "It's a great way to relax over the summer. The league seems to grow more and more each year."

Krech was dubbed the "Parking Czar" by a former vice president of the University when he was chosen to chair the parking committee. In this role, Krech deals with stabilizing lots for parking, not parking violations. One of his goals is to have signs on each lot that state what type of parking the entire lot is—student, faculty or visitor.

Being the director of Procurement Services keeps Krech busy working on buying goods and services for the University, such as tables, chairs, long-term services and laundry equipment, and also managing contracts.

"Procurement Services provides the best value for the University for goods and services," Krech said.

Judy Mickanis, RICS director, works with Krech on a regular basis.

"Don is a person of high integrity, with quick wit and a love of music. I enjoy working with him because he can find humor in any situation," Mickanis said.

The University is not all business for Krech—his wife, Marjean, also works at the University, and his son, Adrian is a junior on campus. Krech's other son, Niles, is currently in the Marines.

Dominic Romany '04

After attending a conference, Romany wants to bring Affirmative Action to the forefront of issues at the University

By Elisabeth Hulette
Senior Writer

In a school where the words "diversity" and "multicultural" evoke responses ranging from controversial to apathetic, Dominic Romany '04 has actively embraced what is perhaps the granddaddy of all such issues—affirmative action.

The issue has received even more press than usual recently, due to the widespread public debate over one student's application to the University of Michigan School of Law. The student sued the school for rejecting her in favor of accepting minority students who had lower grade point averages than she did, citing the school's affirmative action policy as the cause. The suit has generated great controversy, so much in fact that the National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE) devoted its annual conference to the topic.

This was the political atmosphere into which Romany was thrown when he attended the conference in California in March, along with four other members of Bucknell's chapter of NSBE. The organization's main objective is to increase the number of blacks who succeed academically and positively impact society, and the conference is an annual effort to unite chapters of NSBE from universities across the country.

Lectures and discussions were presented on affirmative action, with a focus on educating attendees on the specifics of the issue.

"There is so much to learn about affirmative action," Romany said. "There's a side no one seems to represent. People aren't educated enough about the positions they take."

The conference also inspired Romany to attend a march in Washington, D.C., in support of affirmative action. Along with thousands of other protesters, Romany participated in demonstrations in front of the Supreme Court and marched to the Washington Monument to hear a series of speakers, one of whom had presented a talk at the NSBE conference.

"I wanted to show support for affirmative action, and use what I learned at the conference," Romany said of his participation in the march. "Talk is cheap, and if you don't do anything about your beliefs, nothing will get done."

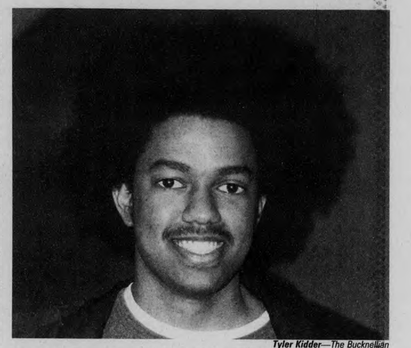
Romany is originally from Trinidad, where he lived until his family moved to Lewisburg about seven years ago. Romany, an electrical engineering major, has spent the past three years trying to bridge the race gap by expanding his circle of friends to include peers across the diversity spectrum.

Now he has a new focus—to help his fellow students understand the history and truth behind affirmative action. Romany said one of the main reasons why people are against affirmative action is that they have not been fully educated on the subject.

"At this school, people only hear the negative, not the positive aspects of affirmative action—and they don't have the opportunity to learn," Romany said.

Friend Travis Martin '04 said watching Romany's attempts at generating a buzz about affirmative action is inspirational.

"Even if people don't agree with him, he is spreading knowledge, and that is the key to any type of change," Martin said.



Tyler Kidder—*The Bucknellian*

Dominic Romany '04 attended a conference on affirmative action in California. He plans on using his knowledge to further change on campus.

Romany cited several myths about affirmative action that, although commonly held, can be disproved with the right information. For example, some believe that affirmative action is out of date and unnecessary today due to other strides taken toward social equality. But statistics still show women's income at 76 cents to the man's dollar, and for the black community, an unemployment rate at twice that of Caucasians.

According to Romany, educational systems in cities are far inferior to those of suburbs, and because inner city kids cannot afford the same help with their SATs and schoolwork that the suburban kids can, their applications to college fall short by comparison. Such students need assistance to get the same opportunities to succeed as their white counterparts, something affirmative action seeks to provide.

Romany said the ultimate goal of affirmative action is to change the balance of power beyond the educational system, "to make the high levels of society reflect society itself, to change the dynamic of who is in power."

Romany plans to bring speakers to campus next year to talk about some of the issues surrounding affirmative action. He has constructed a Web site that presents some of the information he gathered at the NSBE conference (http://www.students.bucknell.edu/jromany/).

"Racism is still an issue in this country, and we have to deal with it in a way that will benefit society overall. Affirmative action is not perfect, but it is the only system available right now that is objective," Romany said.

Dan Blair '03, Aaron Bates '03 and Kate Kelly '03

Students gain tools of the trade and discover the rewards of teaching through their experiences as student teachers

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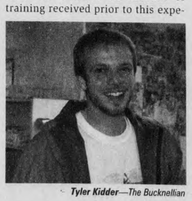
"As a teacher in a high school, if you can combine information from different areas and tailor to the student's interests, you can make them like or at least appreciate everything," Blair said. "It was hard work—7 a.m. to midnight most days—but it was terrific."

Blair is still uncertain where his path will lead after graduation. He plans to volunteer in Ecuador starting next fall, teaching English as a second language. After that more schooling is likely, possibly in London where Blair spent all of last year. Eventually, highly inspired by his student teaching experience, Blair will land in education and make use of his talent as a teacher.

Another satisfied veteran of student teaching is Aaron Bates '03. His time was spent at Milton Senior High School in the fall of 2002, where he taught American history to 9th-grade students, as well as psychology and advanced placement psychology classes to a mix of juniors and seniors. Similar to Blair, Bates was required to undertake all teaching obligations, encompassing classroom duties like test preparation and implementation as well as hall monitoring and midterm reports.

"It's not as easy as it looks from the outside. No amount of training received prior to this experience would help me in the field. You need to learn to adjust as the day goes ... you have to be adaptive," Bates said.



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Bates attributed his desire to teach to both wonderful and horrible teachers he has encountered as a student. He hopes to be able to emulate those who have taught him best, filling even the biggest of shoes, as well as prevent students from experiencing some of the bad learning experiences he has had. Although he has no job lined up, as most educational facilities have a peak hiring season that does not conveniently correlate with graduation, he plans to move westward to Wisconsin in search of employment. Ultimately, Bates hopes to become a social studies teacher in a middle or high school, but will take on an educational affiliated job until he locates such a specified position.

Left to right: seniors Dan Blair, Kate Kelly and Aaron Bates.

Eric Graham—*The Bucknellian*

"My major goal is not just to have my top students succeed in their fields of study, but to see all students exceed across the board whether they are going to college, into the military or immediately entering the work force," Bates

Kate Kelly '03 said that student teaching was extremely satisfying and offered her a sense of accomplishment. Always having enjoyed working with children, teaching is practically in Kelly's genes—her mother, grandmother and two of her uncles are teachers. Her interests, and four years of experience at a Girl Scout camp near Boston, have piqued her interest in elementary school age children, which is the level at which she plans to work.

Eric Graham—*The Bucknellian*

Her current position is in a third-grade classroom in Selinsgrove Intermediate School, where she teaches English, spelling, reading, math, social studies and science. She will finish her job on May 2, which will have given her four weeks of all-day teaching, as well as additional time doing partial days.

"Even though I have to get up at 6:30 every morning to go to school, I don't mind because I enjoy teaching. I want to make a difference in the lives of others. I think teaching will be an excellent way to do this," Kelly said.

One facet of her job that has been particular interesting is a requisite program that is designed to benefit one student's education. Kelly is required to do a case study on one student in her class, and then design an action plan to enhance his or her learning experience. In addition to her teaching duties, Kelly is actively trying to complete her certification tests. Because she plans on teaching in Massachusetts, she has to take exams beyond those required for Pennsylvania certification.

"Student teaching has been a lot of work. By Friday, I'm usually exhausted. But I can't think of any way I'd rather spend my last semester at [the University]," Kelly said.

Though each of these individuals had an entirely different experience with their student teaching, it is clear each benefited from the opportunity. Whether at the elementary, middle or high school level, student teaching is a good way to reaffirm goals and achieve satisfaction, as well as have a positive impact on the lives of children. Not only that, but it is a look into the future that is approaching so rapidly, as Blair, Bates and Kelly would quickly confirm.

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Smoking on Campus

By Meghan Ball
Features Editor

We have all seen the black lungs in health class or the video with the guy so addicted to cigarettes that he is smoking through a hole in his throat. We are inundated with anti-smoking propaganda. It seems that officials are slowly outlawing smoking in all public areas. Students that were here just five years ago can remember when there were indoor places to smoke—now there is no building on campus where people can smoke. So with all the bad press tobacco and nicotine receive, why are there still college students smoking?

Isn't that the big question when more and more health risks related to the habit are constantly being discovered?

Smokers seem so aware of the risks that many refer to their cigarettes as cancer sticks, yet they continue to take them outside to smoke.

As graduate student Matt Perakovich said, "Everyone knows the health risks involved. If they bug you all that much then you wouldn't do it."

In fact, all of the smokers interviewed knew the many different ways smoking could kill them. They had all been told the risks countless times before.

"Someone telling me that [it is going to kill me] 400 times a day isn't really going to make a difference" Chris Janczuk '06 said.

Some students said that the risks are not disincentive enough to stop smoking.

"There are so many things that risk your health every day. You only live once," one senior female said.

The students who choose to smoke are not concerned about the health risks, and all interviewed said that they were going to quit eventually. But why are they out there smoking now, despite the rain and the cold?

"There is a social world when it comes to smokers because there are a lot of people on this campus who smoke, but logistically it is impossible," Van Lan '04 said.

The smokers at the University seem to band together as they perch under tiny ledges in the rain and huddle close during the long cold winters.

"Smoking is a very communal thing. Most of my first friends I met here at Bucknell I met when I was smoking," Mike Kelley '06 said.

In addition to the regular smokers on campus, there is a large population of social smokers.

"Once I got to college it was a social atmosphere—a lot of people are social smokers. In fact, a good portion of people on campus will smoke when they have been drinking at a bar or a frat," one male student said.

Socially-induced smoking is common, some students said.

"I'm probably the most popular guy on a Friday or Saturday night—everyone wants to bum a cigarette," one junior said.

Another said that every time she had started smoking again, "it always started as a social thing."

Maybe all the social smokers walking around campus during the week account for the fact that very few smokers said they were ever given a hard time for smoking. Outside of the occasional cough as people pass, smokers for the most part are left alone.

One student's response, when asked why she smoked, was even more basic then the social scene.

"I smoke because I think it's fun," a junior female said.

Others smoke because of nicotine's addictive qualities.

"Because I am a smoker, I'm addicted," Mike Kelley '06 said.

Still other students said smoking is their luxury.

"[Smoking is] a point in the day when I get to take a moment to myself," one female senior said.

The smoking culture on campus seems to be a strong one, even if over half of the people interviewed requested that they not be identified. It seems everyone that smokes regularly has someone who they just don't want to know of their habit. But they all keep doing it, for social reasons, a way to relieve stress or just because. They all know the health risks, which will someday be enough to make them stop.

"I'll stop after college" said one. "After law school" said another. "When I start a family" was the most popular response.

And as one junior girl said, "I like it right now and am not ready to quit yet. Someday I will deal with that, but not yet."

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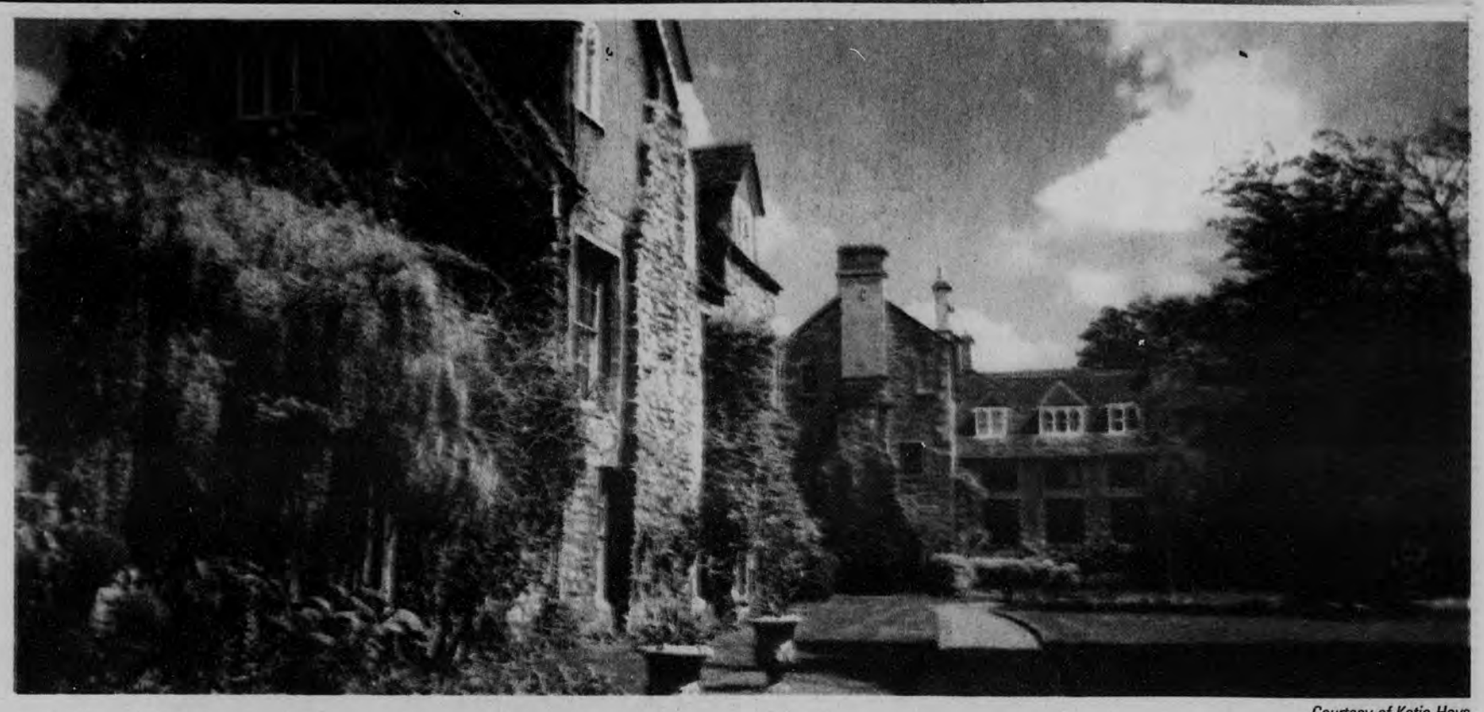
Abroad Perspective:

A year at Oxford



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Katie Hays saw the Medieval Cottages of the Main Quad at Worcester College, Oxford University. She spent a year studying abroad in England.

Courtesy of Katie Hays

The Radcliffe Camera, a famous library in Oxford, is possibly the most recognizable building in Oxford. Hays often escaped to the Lover Reading Room contained within the building.

By Katie Hays
Senior Writer

My year abroad began with fire.

Looking out the window just after takeoff from New York City's JFK airport, scanning the skyline for an opening where the Twin Towers had recently been engulfed in flame and anticipating a year abroad at the University of Oxford, I sat next to a man who folded his hands in his beard. I folded my hands also; it was a night flight, and I aimed to sleep.

When balls of flame shot past my window, and a stewardess ran—sprinted—up the aisle to the cockpit, the bearded man did not stir.

When volleyball-sized sparks accompanied the flames, when a stewardess hid her head in her hands, when the flames streaming past the window accompanied the pilot's crackle that there was a problem and we would try to drain fuel and return to New York, when there were murmurs of fire, terror, terrorists, attack, and we realized we would not land in England after all, the bearded man closed his eyes.

When, after fuel had streamed from the plane, after more announcements and tightened seatbelts and more flames, our England-bound plane landed in New York, my companion and I picked up our suitcases and exited the plane.

My statement connecting the year abroad with fire was not metaphorical. The fire happened—but it also describes, in miniscule, the inevitable study abroad experience: anticipation of an experience entirely different than what follows; immersion and participation in a culture unknown to us; fear and hope and confusion; believing ourselves destined for one place but, ultimately, wondering whether we will settle anywhere at all; returning to the place from which we came, often too soon—and often before we seem to have landed.

Fire is what I first encountered, not only on the plane, but also during the weekend that followed two days of orientation in London. Fire is what I encountered during a family stay in Chandlers Ford, England, organized by Butler's Institute for Study Abroad, the program through which I applied to Oxford.

As my British "brother" James begged for no tom-ah-toes in his macaroni and cheese, I jumped fires and fired upon men—in the same video games American children play. Later, James and I drew a map of his room as an enchanted country—James's floor became a bog, his bed a walled fortress.

Once I had moved into Oxford, my desk became a bog, my bed a fortress. Surrounded by those walls, I withdrew. Studying, sleeping and cooking entire meals in that room—fish fried on the wall heater, pasta boiled in a self-heating kettle, sauce simmering on the boiling water's steam—I became a recluse.

I mention this for the benefit of those who plan to study abroad (or those who learn from the actions of others): Self-imposed seclusion in a foreign country is not as glamorous in actuality as it is when imagined. My year transformed itself only after I began to leave the castle and bog of my room, and see my surroundings.

I had visited a Web site and e-mailed the president of Oxford's Poetry Society, Alex Runchman, while still at Bucknell. Alex and I had begun to correspond on our favorite poets and the club (termed "society" in England), so when I arrived at one of Oxford University's component colleges—Worcester College—and decided to emerge from my walled fortress, Alex met me at the College pub. He became my first friend.

Alex and I were both English literature students at Worcester College. Under the governing body of Oxford University, each of Oxford's individual colleges selects its students, provides accommodations and plans its students' tutorials.

The tutorial system at Oxford brought Alex and me to one of the same teachers: Virginia Woolf scholar David Bradshaw, T-shirt wearing editor of Oxford World Classics editions of Woolf's novels and shorter fiction. In our one-on-one tutorials, David Bradshaw, at times clad in "trainers," commanded me to read my weekly 10-page Woolf papers aloud. Bradshaw proceeded to pace about the room as I read them, frequently interrupting to approve or interrogate.

During the days, I began biking to the Radcliffe Camera, Bodleian library or to the more distant English faculty library to find the many books on the week's reading list. Opening at 10 a.m. and closing at 2 p.m. on Sundays, and often forbidding students to remove any book from its confines, Oxford's libraries became a challenge of its academics.

Oxford's academics challenged me in more useful ways. Because students enroll in two tutorials each term, and the University functions on a trimester system, I had six tutorials during my year there. Self-selected and eclectic, the tutorials varied drastically according to the tutor who led them.

In a Wordsworth tutorial, my tutor assigned all of Wordsworth's work and as much criticism as primary material. In a Chaucer tutorial, I read the "Canterbury Tales" in Middle English. Other tutorials were less centered on single authors: One "tute" brought Kyd, Jonson and Marlowe; another allowed authors from Stoker to Dickens, and from Austen to George Eliot; a third focused upon the works of Philip Larkin and Ted Hughes.

David, my Woolf tutor, dismissed most critical works as unessential—but through his scorn I was able to read all of Woolf's novels, twice. We read her journals, letters, her shorter fiction and her biographers.

In addition to tutorials, I soon learned that students can attend any classes they like—classes are not for credit, but for enrichment. Seated at the back of Hermione Lee's lectures on Virginia Woolf, and reading her biography of Woolf, I felt Hermione had become as revered, for me, as Woolf herself.

David and Hermione's presences at Oxford were the reason I had applied, and the Woolf studies were the most stirring part of my academic experience there.

During the winter, rain, early darkness and the gray provided me with the excuse not to stir. When I had again burrowed into the bog of my room with tea and books, a friend in America came online and told me to go into the city and "make a new friend." Scowling but obedient, I walked five minutes to Broad Street's Sheldonian Theatre, where Oxford's choir was performing Handel's "Messiah."

Seated in the highest and cheapest seating level, "the gods," the elderly woman next to me complained, "It's awful when these are the only seats! The gods are so uncomfortable!" When I suggested she sit with her feet tucked beneath her legs, she laughed, said she was too old and later added, "I'm Kathie." We exchanged phone numbers.

Kathie Neary began to coax me out of my room's walls as often as did Alex.

Courtesy of Katie Hays

(Above): Hays carried a student ID while she was at the University of Oxford. (Below): The Sheldonian Theatre, where Hays saw a performance of Handel's "Messiah," was erected between 1664-1668.

A widow whose husband had been counselor to the Queen and the City of London, Kathie invited me to tea at the historical Hartwell House, where British Prime Minister Tony Blair and former U.S. President Bill Clinton had been on a retreat the day before our visit. We dined at La Maison Blanc; we drove to see the Mystery Plays performed in a village of thatched cottages at Long Crendon; we wandered through Magdalen College's fritillaries in spring; we grinned as Kathie called to describe how her neighbor, Rowan Atkinson (Mr. Bean), had nearly hit her car as he backed out of his driveway.

"I should have let him hit me!" she said.

At her home on the outskirts of Oxford, Kathie showed me videos of her late husband and her at banquets with the Queen. She told stories of earthquakes, fires and great rifts in the ground during her childhood in India. Kathie brought me to tour the offices of the Oxford English Dictionary, for which her daughter Jo is an editor.

In turn, I invited Kathie to attend Evensong (a service of the Church of England) at the College Chapel, where I would be giving the night's reading. I invited her to a walk in Worcester's gardens and sporting grounds, and to Worcester College Formal Hall, the later meal served to students each evening. There, we wore the required black gowns and stood behind our chairs at long tables set with silver as the hall's enormous door thudded shut, Grace was recited in Latin, and the Provost rapped his gavel to tell us, "Formal Hall has begun."

Each course was served to Kathie, other students and me, as we sat, wine bottles on the table, speaking of dogs.

During that year, formality descended to informality as quickly as calm grew to fire.

In lieu of Formal Hall one night, Alex and I rode a noisy bus to Oxford's Greyhound Races. We bet on a dog named Fabulous Yes. Fabulous Yes answered our confidence in him with a Resounding No, finishing last of all the Greyhounds. Later, Alex rented a pub and held a "Fancy Dress" party, a common practice in Britain, themed "Heroes and Villains in English literature." I dressed as Mrs. Dalloway, Alex as King Arthur.

We packed a picnic and went punting on the Isis. Robert Penn Warren's daughter Rosanna read her poetry for the Poetry Society; we sang at a pub with visiting reader John Haines; Seamus Heaney spoke on the creative process. On the six-year anniversary of her husband's death, Kathie and I met at Le Petite Blanc and she pointed to fricassée of snails on the menu, saying, "That's what Jack would have ordered." I began to spend very little time in my room.

In the Spring, as editor for Oxford's poetry journal, "The Reader," I spent nine hours one night proofing an issue with a graying, monotonous man who insisted he read each line break, period, word, capital letter and comma of each soon-to-be-published poem aloud, slowly, as I checked our proofs against the original.

The man was, notably, American.

Our efforts felt satisfying only when Oxford's "The Reader" was finished and on sale at Blackwell's, the man folded into memory.

During the first of Oxford's two six-week breaks between concentrated eight-week trimesters, I lived in London in a friend's dorm room, and spent a week in Paris. During the second break, near the end of my year abroad, I lived in Greece, in a fishing village, Naoussa, on the small island of Paros. It was during this second break, just weeks before returning to America, that I experienced fire again.

For a few days during that time, Dan Blair, another senior at Bucknell this year, and a photographer, visited. We rented a small green Maribello. Dan named the Maribello Billy.

For a rental car, Billy behaved impressively. Billy brought us to the tops of mountains overlooking the long fields of Paros' yellow and purple wildflowers. Billy heaved himself above ancient winding walls and white, domed churches. Billy stopped at a dimly lit Taverna where an ancient man opened and closed his mouth at us but emitted no sound. Coasting to the tiny town of Aliki, Billy wove through red caked, narrow mountain passages, past flocks of white birds silhouetted against the sea and sky, which blended together as if a storm were approaching.

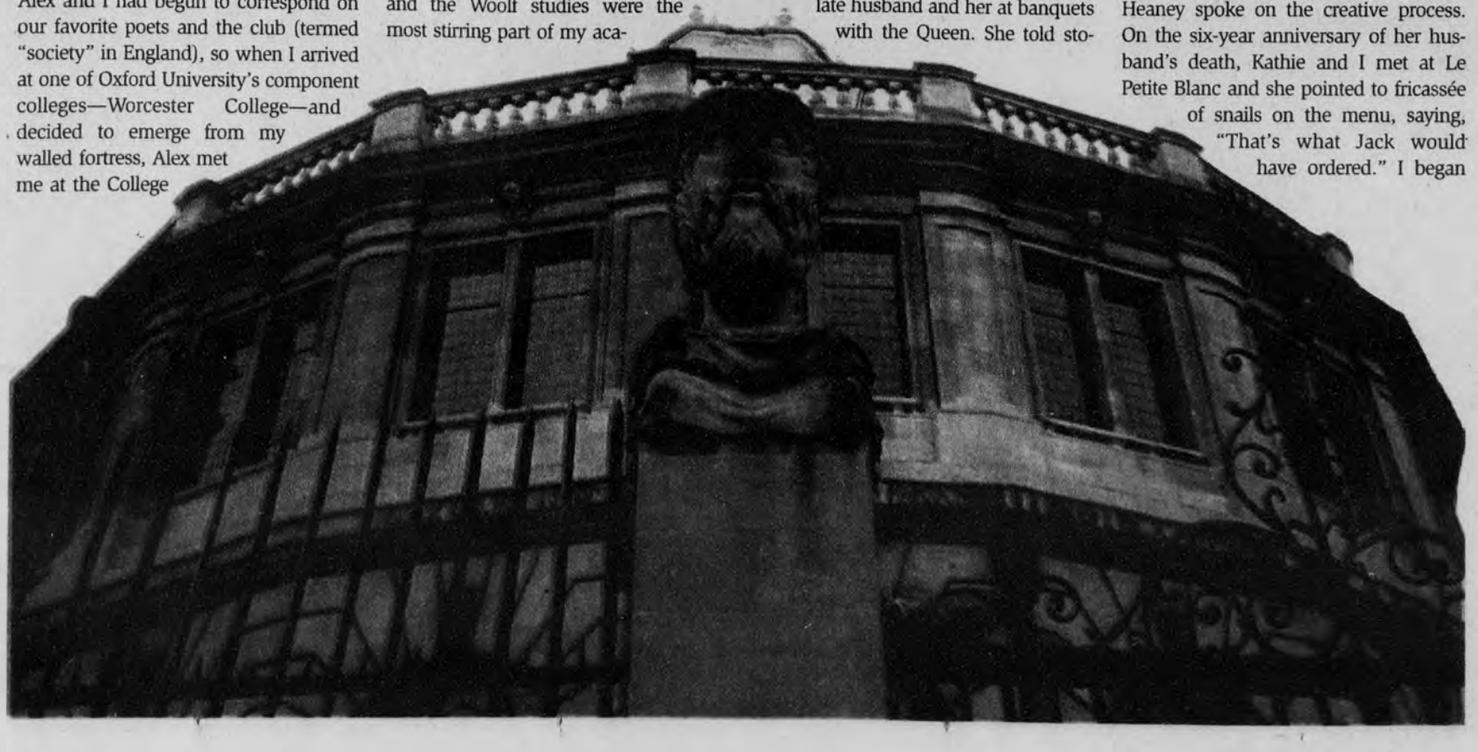
A storm of sorts was approaching—for Billy.

As he began to reveal his decrepitude, Billy-the-rental-car created his parallel to my lesson with fire in flight. Billy shuddered as he climbed past sheep whose bells clanked in the increasing wind. As the first raindrops began to fall, Billy emitted, to our pity and embarrassment, foul-smelling white and black smoke from his hood.

We then learned that Billy had no water in his radiator.

At an unremarkable EKO gas station, Billy exploded. Greek was yelled. The flames crept higher. Billy made no comment. The owner's daughter brought a hose. There were billows of smoke before a distant Greek flag. Billy was cursed. Dan took a photo.

Watching Billy's rented body collapse, I thought of airplanes—how fire interrupts our expectations; how it flares during a routine flight, or on a red-dusted road in a Greek rental car. How, whether en route to England, or on a drive in the Greek countryside, we learn as much about the fire, the new experience, as we do about ourselves. We see how we respond to foreignness—the bearded man with his acceptance, the stewardess with her frenzy and fear, Dan with his camera, the gas station owners with their curses, the teen-aged daughter with her hose.

Whether I had been familiar with life's incendiary nature or not, whether pyromaniac or pyrophobic, whether Oxford or elsewhere, last year I experienced several forms—literal and metaphorical—of burning.

And if fire is what fascinates and scares us, sears us if touched and can singe off our very fingerprints, then it is the reality of every student studying abroad. It is a difficulty. It is a blessing. Fire, like study abroad, is a transfiguring experience.